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Jan Noriyuki, Commission Secretary
Idaho Public Utilities Commission
11331 W. Chinden Blvd. Building 8, Suite 201-A
Boise, ID 83714

P.O. Box 83720
Boise, ID 83720-0074

Re: Farmers Mutual Telecom Inc.'s Application for Broadband Tax
Credit Certification for 2018

Dear Ms. Noriyuki:

Enclosed for filing, please find a copy of Farmers Mutual Telecom Inc.'s Application in the above referenced case. I have not sent a hard copy so please let me know if you will require that prior to opening the case.

If you have any questions or need any additional information, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,



Cynthia A. Melillo

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Enclosure

Cc: Ron Rembelski (*via electronic mail*)
Daniel Klein (*via electronic mail*)

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BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION
OF FARMERS MUTUAL TELECOM INC.,
FOR BROADBAND TAX CREDIT
CERTIFICATION

Case No.

**FARMERS MUTUAL TELECOM
INC.'S APPLICATION**

Farmers Mutual Telecom Inc. (“FMTI” or “Applicant”), by and through its attorneys, Cynthia A. Melillo PLLC, files this Application for an Idaho Public Utilities Commission (“Commission”) order certifying that certain telecommunications equipment is eligible for the broadband infrastructure tax credit authorized by Section 63-3029I, Idaho Code. In support of its Application, FMTI states as follows:

1. FMTI is a provider of basic local exchange service, broadband telecommunications service and other telecommunications services in Idaho.

2. During the calendar year 2018, FMTI made certain investments that constitute “qualified broadband equipment” within the meaning of Section 63-3029(I)(3)(b), Idaho Code. Exhibit A, attached hereto, describes FMTI’s qualified broadband equipment and contains the information and representations required by this Commission’s Order No. 28784 in Case No. GNR-T-01-10.

3. Communications regarding this Application should be addressed to the following:

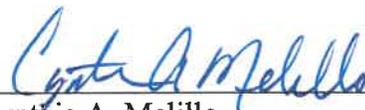
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4. Applicant does not believe that the public interest requires a hearing on this matter and, therefore, requests that the Commission approve the Application by Minute Order or under Modified Procedure. In the event the Commission determines that further proceedings are necessary, Applicant stands ready for immediate hearings.

WHEREFORE, FMTI requests that the Commission issue its order determining that the installed equipment identified in Exhibit A constitutes qualified broadband equipment eligible for the investment tax credit authorized by Section 63-3029I, Idaho Code.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 10th day of December 2020.



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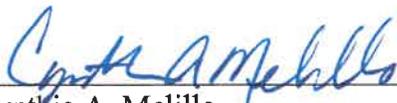
CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 10th day of December 2020, I caused to be served a true and correct copy of the foregoing by the method indicated below, and addressed to the following:

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EXHIBIT A

Broadband Tax Credit Application

[attached]

Idaho Broadband Tax Credit Application
Calendar Year 2018

Company Information

1. Name of Company: Farmers Mutual Telecom Inc.
2. Address: 319 SW 3rd St., PO Box 1030, Fruitland, Idaho 83619
3. Type of Company: Telecommunications Carrier, Internet Service Provider
4. Contact Person : Ron Rembelski, Assistant General Manager, 208-452-2000

Equipment Description

5. Broadband Services Offered: FTTH, Terrestrial Fixed Wireless (where available)
6. Network Description: Fiber Fed DLC sites providing FTTH and TFW.
7. Transmission rate: Equipment is capable of transmitting signals at a rate of at least two hundred thousand (200,000) bits per second to a subscriber and at least one hundred twenty-five thousand (125,000) bits per second from a subscriber.
8. Number and Percentage of Idaho Customers Served: 336 Broadband customer households in portions of New Plymouth and Payette with populations of 1519 and 7527, respectively.
9. Equipment List: See attached Broadband Equipment List

I hereby certify that I have read the applicable statutes for broadband investment income tax credit and believe that the equipment listed herein qualifies for the tax credit under Idaho Code 63-3029I.

Ron Rembelski

Ron Rembelski
Assistant General Manager
Farmers Mutual Telephone Co.
Date: 12-4-20

2018 Broadband Tax Credit Equipment List
Farmers Mutual Telecom Inc.

WORK ORDER	REVISION	DESCRIPTION	Description Details	AMOUNT	COUNTY/TAX CODE AREA	PERIOD
2017045	2	PAYETTE BUILDINGS	2017045 - GENERATOR FOR PAYETTE HUT SITE	\$ 1,469.00	PC01 - PAYETTE COUNTY TAX DIST #01	Jun-18
2018014	0	CONDUIT SYSTEM	2018014 - 313 N. PLYMOTH AVE. FIBER FEED & DROP	\$ 4,423.84	PC02 - Payette CO TD #02 NEW PLYOUTH	Feb-18
2018014	0	FIBER UNDERGROUND CABLE	2018014 - 313 N. PLYMOTH AVE. FIBER FEED & DROP	\$ 2,109.41	PC02 - Payette CO TD #02 NEW PLYOUTH	Feb-18
2018014	1	CAMBIUM-FIXED WIRELESS EQUIPMENT	CAMBIUM-FIXED WIRELESS EQUIPMENT	\$ 2,293.57	PC02 - Payette CO TD #02 NEW PLYOUTH	Dec-18
2018016	0	CAMBIUM-FIXED WIRELESS EQUIPMENT	2018016 - NEW PLYMOUTH WATER TOWER FIBER SPLICING	\$ 1,958.48	PC02 - Payette CO TD #02 NEW PLYOUTH	Dec-18
2018048	0	CONDUIT SYSTEM	2018048 - MOVE HANDHOLE E IDAHO AND HOLLY NP	\$ 7,800.37	PC02 - Payette CO TD #02 NEW PLYOUTH	Dec-18
2018048	0	CONDUIT SYSTEMS	2018048 - MOVE HANDHOLE E IDAHO AND HOLLY NP	\$ 2,037.76	PC02 - Payette CO TD #02 NEW PLYOUTH	Dec-18
2018048	0	FIBER UNDERGROUND CABLE	2018048 - MOVE HANDHOLE E IDAHO AND HOLLY NP	\$ 330.57	PC02 - Payette CO TD #02 NEW PLYOUTH	Dec-18
2018065	0	CONDUIT SYSTEM	316 N11th (Payette) 3 sets of Duplex's	\$ 300.29	PC01 - PAYETTE COUNTY TAX DIST #01	Sep-18
2018065	1	CONDUIT SYSTEM	316 N11th (Payette) 3 sets of Duplex's	\$ 168.85	PC01 - PAYETTE COUNTY TAX DIST #01	Dec-18
2018077	0	FIBER UNDERGROUND CABLE	4332 NW 1ST AVE FIBER DROP	\$ 1,446.46	PC25 - Payette County Tax Dist #25	Jul-18
2018078	0	FIBER UNDERGROUND CABLE	400 HOLLY AVE NEW PLYOUTH	\$ 1,415.94	PC02 - Payette CO TD #02 NEW PLYOUTH	Jul-18
2018089	0	CONDUIT SYSTEM	2018089 - 316 N 11th St. Payette duplexes	\$ 335.09	PC01 - PAYETTE COUNTY TAX DIST #01	Oct-18
2018089	1	CONDUIT SYSTEM	2018089 - 316 N 11th St. Payette duplexes	\$ 29.03	PC01 - PAYETTE COUNTY TAX DIST #01	Dec-18
2018089	0	FIBER UNDERGROUND CABLE	2018089 - 316 N 11th St. Payette duplexes	\$ 949.99	PC01 - PAYETTE COUNTY TAX DIST #01	Oct-18
				\$ 27,068.65		
				Broadband Tax Credit		
				3% \$ 812.06		