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# Applicant Information

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Is the contact the same as the contact listed on the Application Request for Funding Allocation? If not, please list below.

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\*Indicate which deadline you are meeting with this filing.

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## Explanation of Effort and Availability of Commercial Equipment

\*Provide an explanation of efforts undertaken, and challenges encountered, in permanently removing, replacing, and disposing of covered communications equipment or service.

TelAlaska Cellular, Inc. dba Fastwyre Broadband (the "Company") has finalized the network design and scope and is finalizing the projected costs for the portion of the project that has federal reimbursement funding. The Company is moving forward with the removal, replacement, and disposal of the identified equipment for this portion of the project. The Company will continue to submit application modifications and reimbursement claims as needed.

\*Explain whether you are finding commercially available equipment in the marketplace. If not, then explain efforts taken to obtain replacement equipment.

The Company has finalized the network design and scope and is finalizing the projected costs for the portion of the project that has federal reimbursement funding. While it has identified an equipment replacement plan and believes the equipment will be available, equipment availability and/or supply chain issues may potentially impact overall equipment availability.

* If there is additional information relevant to the preceding question Commission should be aware of, please include the information below.	s or that you	believe the

*Indicate whether recipient has fully complied with (or is in the process of complying with) all requirements of the Reimbursement Program.  Yes No
*Indicate whether recipient has permanently removed from its communications network all covered communications equipment or services that were in the recipient's network as of the date of the submission of the recipients application request for funding.
Yes No
If recipient has not yet completed the removal process, what estimated percentage of the removal process have you completed?
65
*Indicate whether recipient has replaced all covered communications equipment or services that were in the recipient's network as of the date of the submission of the recipient's application request for funding.
Yes No
If recipient has not yet completed the replacement process, what estimated percentage of the replacement process have you completed?
65
*Indicate whether recipient has disposed of all covered communications equipment or services that were in the recipient's network as of the date of the submission of the recipient's application request for funding.
Yes ✓ No
If recipient has not yet completed the disposal process, what estimated percentage of the disposal process have you completed?
20
*Indicate whether recipient has fully complied with (or is in the process of complying with) the timeline submitted by the recipient. If not, provide explanation for deviation.
Yes No

\*The filer has indicated no to a question in this section, please provide additional information.

The Company's award of 39.5% of the approved federal reimbursement has put a severe strain on its ability to complete the removal, replacement, and disposal of all the identified equipment. This underfunding has resulted in the Company's need to reassess its original project plan. The Company has finalized the network design and scope, is finalizing the costs for the portion of the project that has federal reimbursement funding and has begun the process of removing, replacing, and destructing the identified covered equipment in its network. Despite the lack of full funding, the Company is working diligently to remove, replace and destruct as much covered equipment in our network as possible.

The Company recognizes that fully funding the program is a top priority for the Federal Government. If full funding is not received, the Company will need to develop a longer-term plan to remove, replace and dispose of some of the identified equipment. Even if full funding is received in the near term, the Company's ability to secure materials and equipment, coordinate with vendors, and complete construction on time and within the projected budget may be impacted. With this in mind, the Company filed a six-month extension of time request which was approved. The Company notes that this six-month extension covers several winter months where construction and further work will not be feasible. As a result, the Company may need to seek a further extension to encompass the 2025 construction season during which it will complete any remaining work. The Company continues to support a federal resolution that ensures full funding for the removal of this identified equipment.

#### Certifications

\*By checking the box and providing the electronic signature where indicated below, the Certifying Official on behalf of the filer certifies under penalty of perjury that:

(1) The Certifying Official is authorized to submit this status report on behalf of the abovenamed filer and, based on information known to me or provided to me by employees responsible for the information being submitted, the information set forth in this status report has been examined and is true, accurate, and complete, and the expenditures, disbursements and cash receipts are for the purposes and objectives set forth in the terms and conditions of the Federal award. The Certifying Official acknowledges that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent information or statement, or the omission of any material fact on this status report or on any other document submitted by the filer may subject the filer and the undersigned to punishment by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act (47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), 1606), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code (18 U.S.C. § 1001, §§ 286-287, and § 1343), or can lead to liability under the False Claims Act (31 U.S.C. §§ 3729-3733, and §§ 3801-3812). (2) The filer is in compliance with the statute, rules, and orders governing the Reimbursement Program, including but not limited to allocations, draw downs, payments, obligations and expenditures of money, and the Certifying Official acknowledges that failure to be in compliance and remain in compliance with those statutes, rules, and orders mayresult in thedenial of funding, cancellation of funding commitments, and/or recoupment of past disbursements. The Certifying Official acknowledges that the filer will maintain detailed records, including receipts, of all costs eligible for reimbursement actually incurred for a period of 10 years; and will file all required documentation for its expenses. The Certifying Official acknowledges that failure to comply with the statute, rules, and orders governing the Reimbursement Program could result in civil or criminal prosecution by law enforcement authorities.

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