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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Order Instituting Rulemaking to Consider Modifications to the California Advanced Services Fund Including Those Necessary to Implement Loan Program and Other Provisions of Recent Legislation.

Rulemaking 10-12-008
(Filed December 16, 2010)

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RULING GRANTING
MOTIONS FOR PARTY STATUS**

This ruling grants the motions for party status identified below.

Tellus Venture Associates (Tellus) filed a motion for party status on January 9, 2012, in Rulemaking (R.) 10-12-008. Tellus is a consultancy serving publicly owned utilities and community broadband systems. Tellus seeks party status in order to provide information to the record regarding opportunities to extend the Commission's California Advanced Services Fund (CASF) grants and loans to extend broadband connectivity in underserved and unserved regions.

Technology Network (TechNet) filed a motion for party status in R.10-12-008 on January 13, 2012. TechNet is a nation-wide network of chief executive officers and senior executives of leading companies in the fields of information technology, networking, biotechnology, clean technology, venture capital, e-commerce, and finance. TechNet seeks party status to participate in this proceeding to provide information aimed at ensuring that the CASF can support the deployment of high-speed broadband infrastructure in those regions of California that currently lack access to it.

The Inland Empire Regional Broadband Consortium, a Regional Consortia representing the San Bernardino County and Riverside County region, filed a motion on January 11, 2012, for party status to provide information and comments to the Commission relative to opportunities to use the CASF broadband grants and revolving loans to extend broadband connectivity to unserved and underserved areas with San Bernardino and Riverside Counties.

The above-referenced motions for party status are hereby granted.

IT IS RULED that:

1. The motion for party status filed in R. 10-12-008 by Tellus Venture Associates is hereby granted.
2. The motion for party status filed in R. 10-12-008 by Technology Network is hereby granted.
3. The motion for party status filed in R. 10-12-008 by the Inland Empire Regional Broadband Consortium is hereby granted.

Dated January 19, 2012, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ THOMAS R. PULSIFER

Thomas R. Pulsifer
Administrative Law Judge