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Re: Call for Solutions

Dear MBI,

New England Investment Holding Corp. (NEIHC) owns one permitted tower site and four additional leased tower sites which as a regional approach cover large areas of the Towns of Charlemont, Hawley, Rowe, Heath, Monroe, Massachusetts and Readsboro, Whitingham, Vermont.

NEIHC may consider offering these fixed assets as a way to deploy broadband wireless services to un-served/ underserved portions of these communities. Presently, economy-wise or otherwise the wireless carriers, Sprint, T-Mobile, AT&T Wireless and Verizon Wireless are not interested in co-locating in this region. These Carriers each hold a portion of the bandwidth with their respective FCC licenses within these and other western Massachusetts communities.

If the MBI could assist by some how convincing the legislative/ Governor to "address this issue" to request/ require the respective Carriers which own the FCC licensed bandwidths within these and other small communities, to either utilize their respective (bandwidths) assets or lease these (bandwidths) assets to companies such as NEIHC which hold tower sites and are ready to deploy, the MBI could essentially bring both Broadband and Voice Wireless Services to entire regions of western Massachusetts without spending much if any of the Institutes Broadband funds.

NEIHC's business model requires voice wireless services to deploy its towers, broadband services would be a plus to our business model. Intergrading these communities on to a 3G network could be beneficial to MBI's mission. To provide wireless broadband services to the un-served/ underserved and to provide competition and or alternatives to the present DSL service now covering parts of these communities. With additional benefits such as that all emergency personnel and first responders in the Commonwealth could be connected via these wireless communication facilities located in these communities.

We all know everyone has a cell phone in their pocket today, just not all of us can use them in western Massachusetts. How do we work together to solve this available bandwidth problem? Is there anything that MBI could do to assist with this available bandwidth issue?

Very truly yours,

Earl W. Bowen