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Are you responding on behalf of an organization? **Yes**

Please provide the name of the organization and address for which you are submitting comments: **SKT, 112 S. Lee Avenue, Clearwater, Kansas 67026**

Which of the following best describes you?
(Check all that apply) **Internet provider in proposed service area**

I am providing comments related to the following application (comments must be filed individually for each project):

AMGTechnology_Kansas_Project_South_1

I am submitting comments to express:

Concerns regarding a project

I am sharing concerns about the project:

**Proposes to serve an area that already has service
Proposes service to an area in which construction is already underway
Proposes to serve an area likely to be served without grant funds because plans are in place to serve this area, although construction has not yet begun**

Please provide your comments in the text box below:

SKT is submitting information to show that it provides broadband service in areas targeted by the “AMG Technology Kansas Project South 1” Capital Project Fund Grant application.

In the Public Project Proposal, AMG Technology indicates that it would serve rural areas of Sedgwick County.

SKT currently provides 1 Gbps symmetrical fiber service within several of the proposed areas and is actively upgrading existing fiber facilities or constructing new fiber facilities in the remaining areas. All SKT service areas within the AMG Technology proposal will be 2 Gbps symmetrical capable before the end of 2022.

SKT is best suited to upgrade the remaining areas within the AMG Technology application and the areas defined in the SKT Capital Project Fund application, as it has fiber facilities within close proximity. Having fiber facilities nearby makes an SKT upgrade the most cost-effective option, while also reaching many more underserved homes and businesses in great need.

SKT is proud of the long-term partnerships formed with many state, county, and local leaders, allowing us to work together to support rural Kansans. These partnerships include leaders who provided the KOBD with letters of support for the SKT Capital Project Fund Grant application, and which were included with our submission.

SKT offers competitive rates and partners with federal and state government to provide the Affordable Connectivity Program, Lifeline, and Kansas Emergency Rental Assistance benefits, to help foster digital inclusion in the state of Kansas.

Upload supporting documentation - multiple files should be submitted as a .ZIP file.

By submitting the Public Comment Form (the "Form") and any supporting evidence, you attest that all information furnished is true and accurate to the best of your knowledge and that any attachments are free of malware or viruses. You also acknowledge that falsifying any information could result in legal action against you and will bar you from submitting public comments to this web site in the future. You authorize the Kansas Office of Broadband Development, Kansas Department of Commerce (KOBD) to contact you if further information is needed. You expressly acknowledge and consent to some personal information, including your name, address, phone, e-mail, organization you represent, and comments, being posted for public view on the Kansas Department of Commerce web site at www.kansascommerce.gov. The KOBD will use its best efforts to redact any personal

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