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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: **TWIN VALLEY**

Which of the following best describes you?
(Check all that apply) **Other**

Please describe: **Internet provider proposing fiber in the serving area**

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

AT&T Franklin

I am submitting comments to express:

Concerns regarding a project

I am sharing concerns about the project:

Other

Please Describe:

Proposes to serve an area that we are better positioned to provide fiber to and operate.

Please provide your comments in the text box below:

In the Public Project Proposal, AT&T indicates that it would serve the area of Ottawa, Kansas. Twin Valley also has an interest in building fiber in the town of Ottawa and is writing to show why Twin Valley is a better choice to serve the town of Ottawa.

Ottawa has long been a city where AT&T has operated as the incumbent local exchange carrier. The city of Ottawa has also long been a city that has been left behind when it comes to reliable and quality high speed Internet.

Twin Valley has a proven track record of building and maintaining a fiber network that provides cutting edge connection speeds (up to 2GB symmetrical) at an affordable rate. With the support of local leaders, Twin Valley will provide the service Ottawa deserves to continue to thrive.

In addition to offering competitive rates, Twin Valley 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.

We're more than a company. We're an active part of the communities we serve. Helping our community matters to us, whether that's providing cutting-edge broadband to our customers or working hard to make a difference in the communities where we live and work.

Twin Valley has been involved with and made contributions to many worthwhile local events and charities—both inside and outside of its exchanges. The board and employees are active in local communities and organizations, giving their own time to be involved in many local organizations.

The combined efforts of Twin Valley's generous support and its community-oriented employees allow Twin Valley to be involved in a wide variety of organizations. Our customers are more than a name or number to us. They're our neighbors. We live in the communities we serve across the region—and more than that, we get involved.

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

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