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Dear Dane County Community Leader,

The Dane County Broadband Task Force has been meeting over the last two-plus years to improve broadband access and affordability in Dane County. Of the more than 30 recommendations put forth by the Task Force, one included the completion of a Broadband Engineering Assessment. Dane County contracted with AECOM Technical Services to conduct this assessment that has been underway since late 2022.

AECOM is interested in meeting with community leaders the first week of May to provide an opportunity to discuss specific issues, plans, and strategies related to broadband connectivity in each locality. By engaging in these one-on-one conversations, AECOM would like to gain a deeper understanding of the unique needs and goals of each community, which will ultimately help inform and shape collaborative efforts moving forward.

We encourage you to meet with AECOM to provide input for this work. Jeff Whitman, Senior Broadband Consultant at AECOM will be in Dane County from May 1-May 5. If you are interested in meeting with him, please contact him at whitman.jeff@countyofdane.com.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

County Board Supervisor Melissa Ratcliff (District 36) Dane County Broadband Task Force, Chair

County Board Supervisor Jeff Glazer (District 8) Dane County Broadband Task Force, Vice Chair