December 29, 2020

Barry Drazkowski, Broadband Committee Member Town of Cross W614 Buehler Valley Road Fountain City, WI 54629



Re: Broadband Forward! Community Certification for the Town of Cross, Wisconsin

Dear Mr. Drazkowski:

The Public Service Commission's Wisconsin Broadband Office has reviewed your application for certification as a Broadband Forward! Community. Based upon its review of your application and pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 196.504, I am pleased to inform you that the Wisconsin Broadband Office hereby approves your request and certifies the Town of Cross as a Broadband Forward! Community. The certification is effective as of the date of this letter.

Broadband access is increasingly important to our economy, education and daily life. The state as a whole—citizens, governments, providers, schools and businesses—has an interest in expanding broadband access and usage in underserved areas of the state. Becoming certified as a Broadband Forward! Community sends a signal that the Town of Cross has taken steps to reduce obstacles to broadband infrastructure investment by streamlining administrative procedures for broadband projects.

The state of Wisconsin is pleased to support the investment in broadband infrastructure within the Town of Cross by certifying it as a Broadband Forward! Community, and we look forward to working with you to ensure success and continued broadband expansion in your community. The Wisconsin Broadband Office stands ready to serve as a resource for the Town of Cross. Please contact me, Jaron McCallum at 608-267-2160 or jaron.mccallum@wisconsin.gov for additional information.

The Town of Cross's Broadband Forward! Community certification serves as an outstanding example of public-private collaboration to maximize broadband infrastructure investments in Wisconsin—and moves us closer to our goal of bringing broadband access to every corner of our state.

Jaron McCallum

State Broadband Director

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