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WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU APPROVES THE REVISED PERFORMANCE PLAN OF GCI PURSUANT TO THE ALASKA PLAN

WC Docket No. 16-271

By this Public Notice, the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau (WTB) approves GCI Communication Corp.'s (GCI) revised performance plan, filed pursuant to the terms set forth in the *Alaska Plan Order*.¹ The approved performance plan is included in the attached Appendix A.

The Alaska Plan requires participating eligible mobile providers to submit for WTB approval individual performance plans with their service commitments.² WTB approved wireless service providers' initial performance plans in 2016.³ Participants that have not committed to provide at least 4G LTE at 10/1 Mbps for any portion of the population in their service area must revise their performance commitments when new terrestrial backhaul or new-generation satellite backhaul becomes commercially available in that area.⁴

On July 1, 2026, GCI submitted an updated performance plan to reflect the availability of new terrestrial middle mile as well as areas that have migrated from microwave to fiber middle mile pursuant to this requirement.⁵ Accordingly, GCI increases the number of Alaskans that it commits to serve with

¹ *Connect America Fund et al.*, WC Docket Nos. 16-271, 10-90, WT Docket No. 10-208, Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, 31 FCC Rcd 10139, 10172, para. 102 (2016) (*Alaska Plan Order*).

² See 47 CFR § 54.317(f); *Alaska Plan Order*, 31 FCC Rcd at 10160, para. 67.

³ *Wireless Telecommunications Bureau Approves Performance Plans of the Eight Wireless Providers That Elected to Participate in the Alaska Plan*, WC Docket No. 16-271, Public Notice, 31 FCC Rcd 13317, Appx. A, Approved Performance Commitments (WTB 2016) (*Wireless Commitments Public Notice*) (approving all eight mobile providers' initial performance plans); see also *Wireless Telecommunications Bureau Approves GCI's Revised Performance Plan Pursuant to the Alaska Plan Order*, WC Docket No. 16-271, Public Notice, 34 FCC Rcd 12183 (2019) (*GCI's 2019 Revised Performance Plan*) (accepting GCI's and ASTAC's revised 2019 performance plans); *Wireless Telecommunications Bureau Approves GCI's Revised Performance Plan Pursuant to the Alaska Plan Order*, WC Docket No. 16-271, Public Notice, 35 FCC Rcd 9539, 9539-41, Appx. (WTB 2020) (*GCI's 2020 Revised Performance Plan*) (accepting GCI's revised 2020 performance plan); *Wireless Telecommunications Bureau Approves Bristol Bay Cellular Partnership's, TelAlaska Cellular's, and Windy City Cellular's Revised Performance Plans Pursuant to the Alaska Plan*, WC Docket No. 16-271, Public Notice, 39 FCC Rcd 5898 (2024) (accepting BBCP's, TelAlaska's, and Windy City's revised and currently operative performance plans); *Wireless Telecommunications Bureau Approves the Revised Performance Plan on GCI Pursuant to the Alaska Plan*, WC Docket No. 16-271, Public Notice, 40 FCC Rcd 5050 (WTB 2025).

⁴ See *Alaska Plan Order*, 31 FCC Rcd at 10172, para. 102.

⁵ Letter from John T. Nakahata, Counsel, GCI, to Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary, FCC, WC Docket No. 16-271 (filed July 1, 2026) (GCI July 1, 2026 *Ex Parte*), <https://www.fcc.gov/ecfs/document/26109964744/1>.

fiber-based 4G LTE at 10/1 Mbps from 77,111⁶ to 87,216.⁷

The attached revised performance plan at Appendix A is an improvement that will benefit Alaskans and is hereby approved as GCI's operative performance plan for the Alaska Plan. Appendix B provides GCI's previous performance plan, which is no longer operative.

Additional Information. For additional information on this proceeding, contact ak.plan@fcc.gov.

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⁶ See Appendix A, *infra*; see also Letter from John T. Nakahata, Counsel, GCI, to Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary, FCC, WC Docket No. 16-271, Attach. (filed July 1, 2025) (GCI July 1, 2025 *Ex Parte*), <https://www.fcc.gov/ecfs/document/10701010667486/1>.

⁷ GCI July 1, 2026 *Ex Parte*.

Appendix A

GCI's Final Operative Performance Plan

Middle Mile	Technology Of Transmission (477 Code)	Population 2010 Census	Population Served 12/31/15	% Base Population Served 12/31/15	5 Year Base Population Served	5 Year % Total Population Served	10 Year Total Base Population Served - as of 7/1/2025	10 Year % Population Served - as of 7/1/2024	Increase / (Decrease) by Year 10	10 Year Total Base Population Served - Revised 7/1/2026	10 Year % Population Served - Revised 7/1/2026	Minimum Expected Download/ Upload Speeds at Edge	Spectrum Codes (477 Code)
Fiber	83 (LTE)	64,158	13,455	21%	32,079	50%	77,111	100%	10,105	87,216	100%	10/1 Mbps	90, 91, 93, 94
	80, 81, 82 (3G)		43,882	68%	25,258	39%	-	0%	-	-	0%	2/.05 Mbps	90, 91, 93, 94
	85, 86 (Voice/2G)		6,821	11%	6,821	11%	-	0%	-	-	0%	<2 Mbps	90, 91, 93, 94
Fiber Total			64,158	100%	64,158	100%	77,111	100%	10,105	87,216	100%		
Microwave	83 (LTE)	50,717	125	0%	125	0%	42,497	83%	(9,637)	32,860	79%	2/8 Mbps	90, 91, 93, 94
	80, 81, 82 (3G)		29,764	59%	41,970	83%	8,622	17%	-	8,622	21%	2/.05 Mbps	90, 91, 93, 94
	85, 86 (Voice/2G)		20,828	41%	8,622	17%	-	0%	-	-	0%	<2 Mbps	90, 91, 93, 94
Microwave Total			50,717	100%	50,717	100%	51,119	100%	(9,637)	41,482	100%		
Satellite	83 (LTE)	24,482	-	0%	12,363	50%	1,913	17%	-	1,913	18%	1/256 Mbps	90, 91, 93, 94
	80, 81, 82 (3G)		-	0%	-	0%	-	0%	-	-	0%	2/.05 Mbps	90, 91, 93, 94
	85, 86 (Voice/2G)		24,482	100%	12,119	50%	9,214	83%	(468)	8,746	82%	<2 Mbps	90, 91, 93, 94
Satellite Total			24,482	100%	24,482	100%	11,127	100%	(468)	10,659	100%		
Total	83 (LTE)		13,580	10%	44,567	32%	121,521	87%	468	121,989	88%		
Total	80, 81, 82 (3G)		73,646	53%	67,228	48%	8,622	6%	-	8,622	6%		
Total	85, 86 (Voice/2G)		52,131	37%	27,562	20%	9,214	7%	(468)	8,746	6%		
Grand Total		139,357	139,357	100%	139,357	100%	139,357	100%	-	139,357	100%		

Appendix B

GCI's Previously Operative 2025 Performance Plan

Middle Mile	Technology Of Transmission (477 Code)	Population 2010 Census	Population Served 12/31/15	% Base Population Served 12/31/15	5 Year Base Population Served	5 Year % Total Population Served	10 Year Total Base Population Served - as of 7/1/2024	10 Year % Population Served - as of 7/1/2024	Increase / (Decrease) by Year 10	10 Year Total Base Population Served - Revised 7/1/2025	10 Year % Population Served - Revised 7/1/2025	Minimum Expected Download/ Upload Speeds at Edge	Spectrum Codes (477 Code)
Fiber	83 (LTE)	64,158	13,455	21%	32,079	50%	74,955	100%	2,156	77,111	100%	10/1 Mbps	90, 91, 93, 94
	80, 81, 82 (3G)		43,882	68%	25,258	39%	-	0%	-	-	0%	2/05 Mbps	90, 91, 93, 94
	85, 86 (Voice/2G)		6,821	11%	6,821	11%	-	0%	-	-	0%	<2 Mbps	90, 91, 93, 94
Fiber Total			64,158	100%	64,158	100%	74,955	100%	2,156	77,111	100%		
Microwave	83 (LTE)	50,717	125	0%	125	0%	42,497	83%	-	42,497	83%	2/8 Mbps	90, 91, 93, 94
	80, 81, 82 (3G)		29,764	59%	41,970	83%	8,622	17%	-	8,622	17%	2/05 Mbps	90, 91, 93, 94
	85, 86 (Voice/2G)		20,828	41%	8,622	17%	-	0%	-	-	0%	<2 Mbps	90, 91, 93, 94
Microwave Total			50,717	100%	50,717	100%	51,119	100%	-	51,119	100%		
Satellite	83 (LTE)	24,482	-	0%	12,363	50%	2,796	21%	(883)	1,913	17%	1/256 Mbps	90, 91, 93, 94
	80, 81, 82 (3G)		-	0%	-	0%	-	0%	-	-	0%	2/05 Mbps	90, 91, 93, 94
	85, 86 (Voice/2G)		24,482	100%	12,119	50%	10,487	79%	(1,273)	9,214	83%	<2 Mbps	90, 91, 93, 94
Satellite Total			24,482	100%	24,482	100%	13,283	100%	(2,156)	11,127	100%		
Total													
Total			13,580	10%	44,567	32%	120,248	86%	1,273	121,521	87%		
Total			73,646	53%	67,228	48%	8,622	6%	-	8,622	6%		
Total			52,131	37%	27,562	20%	10,487	8%	(1,273)	9,214	7%		
Grand Total		139,357	139,357	100%	139,357	100%	139,357	100%	-	139,357	100%		