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July 6, 2010

Dear James Timlin,

As you may recall, on May 14, 2010, OMAFRA launched the third intake of the Rural Connections Broadband Program. This funding initiative is designed to reduce broadband infrastructure gaps in underserved rural regions in southern Ontario. The Rural Connections Broadband Program leverages broadband infrastructure investment from private-sector businesses and public partners to create positive effects on citizens/businesses by enhancing economic development and improving access to public services such as e-learning, e-health and e-government.

Please let this correspondence serve to advise that the initial submission deadline of Thursday, July 8, 2010 has been extended to **Tuesday, August 3, 2010**.

The Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs welcomes applications from municipalities in rural south-western and central Ontario working with community stakeholders and other partners, including applicable First Nations, to develop and implement a plan designed to improve broadband accessibility in rural areas.

For assistance in completing an application or if you have any questions, please contact Doug Maddock, Broadband Coordinator at 519-826-6634 or 1-888-466-2372, ext. 66634 for support.

Additional information, including the application and guidebook, is also available at www.ontario.ca/rural.

Thank you for your anticipated interest and support in this worthwhile initiative.

Barb Swartzentruber
Manager,
Broadband Programs

c. Mr. Doug Maddock, Broadband Coordinator, Western Region



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