

122:30-1-02**Application.**

(A) The director will make an application for the program available on the program website in a form determined by the director. The application will include the minimum information required by division (A)(1) through division (A)(17) of section 122.4020 of the Revised Code and any additional information included in the application form by development as published on the program website at least thirty days prior to the beginning of an application period. In addition, the application will request the applicant to provide the following information:

(1) Identifying applicant information, including applicant name, authorized representative name, federal employer identification number, project contact name, and email address to contact the company;

(2) Sufficient evidence that shows the residential addresses in the application are eligible;

(3) Total project cost;

(4) Whether the project uses state infrastructure;

(5) Whether the project leverages existing infrastructure within the project area;

(6) Whether the project leverages existing infrastructure adjacent to the project area;

(7) Letters of support;

(8) Whether the project is located partially or entirely within a distressed area;

(9) Whether the project is located partially or entirely within an opportunity zone; and

(10) Other information determined by the director.

(B) The application will contain a statement, as required by division (A)(2) of section 122.4019 and division (A)(16) of section 122.4020 of the Revised Code that failure to comply with the Ohio residential broadband expansion program as set forth in section 122.40 through 122.4077 of the Revised Code, this division 30 of Chapter 122 of the Administrative Code, and any other program requirements or failure to meet the required tier two broadband service proposed in the application may require the refund of all or a portion of the program grant awarded for the project. The statement is to be submitted with the application on a document signed by a duly authorized representative of the applicant with the signature of the representative notarized.

(C) The application will also contain a statement that neither the applicant nor any other individual or entity has commenced construction of any portion of the project in the

application, no portion of the project will commence construction prior to receipt of a program grant, and that the receipt of a program grant is essential to the applicant's ability to undertake the project. The statement is to be submitted with the application on a document signed by a duly authorized representative of the applicant with the signature of the representative notarized.

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Certification

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