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We live in a hilly rural area one hour north of St. Louis in Lincoln County, Missouri. The only way that we can access the internet is either by slow speed dial up modem or satellite. Even cell phone reception is spotty in our area due to the geography. We have to use satellite TV as well since the new digital signals do not reach us. (we did receive 7 free TV channels before that switch)

I read in our Electric Coop publication (Rural Missouri, June 2015) that the US Ag and Commerce department is trying to expand broadband services throughout rural areas. I hope that our area will be considered. We currently are having to pay much more than our urban counterparts for telecommunication services and do not have high speed internet.

Thank you,  
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