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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL ONLY

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RE: Mississippi Electric Cooperatives Broadband COVID-19 Grant Program

Dear Paul:

The Public Utilities Staff is in receipt of your request for census block information, dated July 7, 2020. In accordance with the Mississippi Electric Cooperatives Broadband COVID-19 Act, the Public Utilities Staff shall, by no later than July 10, 2020, specifically identify census blocks that are unserved or underserved according to the latest publicly available Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") broadband data. Each electric cooperative or broadband provider may request information for three (3) counties, and this request from Dixie EPA identifies the following counties: Jones, Perry, and Wayne.

Enclosed is a list of census blocks in the specified counties that have been identified as unserved or underserved by the FCC. Additional information regarding deadlines and applications may be found at <https://www.mpus.ms.gov/covid19grant>. If you have any questions, please contact us via email at covid19grant@mpus.ms.gov or by phone at (601) 961-5407.

Sincerely yours,

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cc: Mississippi Department of Finance and Administration