**Governor’s Task Force on Broadband**

**August 16, 2017**

**Minnesota Senate Office Building – Room 2308**

**95 University Avenue West**

**St. Paul, MN 55155**

**10:00 a.m. – 1:45 p.m.**

**Task Force Members present:** Margaret Anderson Kelliher, Hannah Buckland, Denise Dittrich, Kevin Hansen, Maureen Ideker, Bernadine Joselyn, Steve Lewsader, Don Niles, Jody Reisch, Dan Richter, Andy Schriner, Dick Sjoberg and Paul Weirtz

**Task Force Members Participating by Phone:** Shannon Heim

**Task Force Members Absent:** Neela Mollgaard

**Others in attendance:** Brad Behmer, Judy Cook, John Dukich, Dave Giles, Paul Hess, Tim Johnson, Megan Kueck, Jane Leonard, Emily Murray, Abby Rhime, Meagan Rice, Steve Schneider, Sarah Strong-Belisle, David Thao, Ann Treacy, Diane Wells, Kelly West and Laura Ziegler

1. **Introductions, Approval of Minutes, Public Comments**

Members of the Task Force and members of the public attending the meeting introduced themselves. The minutes of the July 19, 2017 Task Force meeting were approved. No member of the public requested to provide comments.

1. **Office of Broadband Development Update**

Diane Wells provided an update on the OBD activities.

1. **Fixed Wireless Panel**

Steve Schneider, ([Bug Tussel Wireless](https://mn.gov/deed/assets/bug-tussel_tcm1045-308388.pptx)); Tim Johnson, ([MVTV Wireless](https://mn.gov/deed/assets/mvtv-wireless_tcm1045-308398.pdf)); Paul Hess, ([Advantenon Broadband Wireless Internet](https://mn.gov/deed/assets/advantenon_tcm1045-308386.pdf)); and Dave Giles, ([InvisiMax Fixed Wireless ISP](https://mn.gov/deed/assets/invisimax_tcm1045-308387.pptx)) gave presentations. They also responded to questions from Task Force members.

1. **Satellite Demonstration**

Megan Kueck with the Satellite Communications and Broadcasting Association, Brad Behmer with Viasat, and Kelly West with West Satellite, provided a demonstration of satellite technology and responded to questions from the Task Force.

1. **Wrap-Up**

Three letters responding to satellite broadband service were distributed to Task Force members. Content for the 2017 report was discussed and an assignment distributed. Subcommittees were welcome to stay following the adjournment of the meeting to discuss content for the report.

The meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.