



VILLAGE OF TWIN LAKES

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Howard K. Skinner, Village President

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VIA E-MAIL AND US MAIL

Jim Kreuser, County Executive
Kenosha County
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Dear Jim:

At its Regular Village Board meeting of Monday, March 15, 2010, the Village Board of Trustees for Twin Lakes enthusiastically indicated its support of the County's application to Google, Inc. to be among the areas in the country Google will build and test an ultra-high speed broadband network. The Board's support is based on a number of expected benefits to the Kenosha County community.

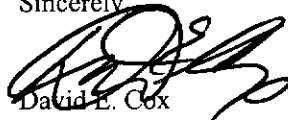
In a global economy so heavily reliant on communication and nearly instantaneous transmission of information, the ability for a region to provide the back bone for those communications is critical to its ability to serve the needs of its existing businesses and to attract new businesses. The Village of Twin Lakes and Kenosha County have recognized this through the County's Economic Development Strategy, which calls for this type of infrastructure throughout the County. Businesses simply need the ability to move data of all types in large quantities quickly and efficiently in order to compete in today's economy. By providing this connectivity in an efficient and cost-effective way, small and medium-sized businesses are better able to compete.

In the more rural areas of the County and region, the availability of an ultra high speed network will lead to enhanced opportunities for educational, health care and public safety institutions as well. The availability of such a connection will improve the ability to offer distance learning and collaboration among researchers and other professionals. These same types of opportunities exist for health care professionals. The availability of an ultra high speed broadband network allows real-time communication with video or other data-intense transmissions and allows providers in our area greater access to the talents of others that can only benefit the recipients of that care.

These opportunities are enhanced by the ability of such a network to improve the ability of the Public Safety sector to communicate. The network contemplated by the community provides the backbone for an enhanced public safety communication system thereby improving safety and data interoperability across multiple jurisdictions. This is especially critical in this area, which is situated within the Chicago and Milwaukee areas.

The Village of Twin Lakes wholeheartedly supports the County's application to Google and looks forward to the benefits of an ultra-high speed broadband network. The Village stands ready to assist in any way it can.

Sincerely,



David E. Cox
Village Administrator

cc: Honorable President and Board of Trustees
Twin Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce
Kenosha Area Business Alliance

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