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I/We, the undersigned, certify under penalty of perjury that the information provided below is true, correct, and accurate. Warning: Anyone who knowingly submits a false claim or makes a false statement is subject to criminal and/or civil penalties, including confinement for up to 5 years, fines, and civil and administrative penalties (18 U.S.C §§ 287, 1001, 1010, 1012, 1014; 31 U.S.C. §§ 3729, 3802; 24 CFR § 28.10(b)(iii)). (Complete the fields below.)

Applicant Name:

Name of the Federal Program to which the applicant is applying:

Rural Partners Network Community Network(s) which the proposed activities/projects will benefit:

Include below the full name of Rural Partner Network Community Network(s) from the [All Community Networks list on rural.gov](#).

The application meets which of the following criteria (please select one):

- ☐ The proposed activities/projects will occur solely within the boundaries of the Rural Partners Network Community Network(s) listed above.
- ☐ The proposed activities/projects will occur within the boundaries of the Rural Partners Network Community Network(s) listed above and other communities.
- ☐ The proposed activities/projects will occur outside the boundaries of the Rural Partners Network Community Network(s) listed above, but substantial and direct benefits will accrue within the Rural Partners Network Community Network(s) listed above.

Note: Projects that substantially and directly benefit Rural Partners Network Community Network(s) residents, but which do not consist of activities delivered within Rural Partners Network Community Network boundaries may be considered for competitive preference. If applicable, the respective Federal Agency will clearly define "substantially and directly" in the relevant funding announcement.

Estimated Funding Allocations

Estimate a percentage of the expected total HUD award amount that would result in a direct benefit within the Rural Partners Network Community Network(s) listed above:

- ☐ 76% - 100%
- ☐ 51% - 75%
- ☐ 26% - 50%
- ☐ 11% - 25%
- ☐ 1%- 10%

Provide a narrative and/or reference the section in the application that explains how the project will support public and private investment in rural communities, specifically the designated Rural Partners Network Community Network(s) (1,000-word limit):

Check the following boxes that accurately reflect the nature or purpose of the proposed project:

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| ☐ Access to Capital | ☐ Community Infrastructure |
| ☐ Asset Building | ☐ "Above ground" infrastructure — streets, sidewalks, lighting |
| ☐ Business Assistance | ☐ "Below ground" infrastructure — water, sewer, gas, electric |
| ☐ Community Capacity Building | ☐ Commercial or Retail Development |
| ☐ Economic Development | ☐ Hospitals or other Health Care Facilities Housing |
| ☐ Education | ☐ Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) or other rent restricted housing |
| ☐ Healthy Food Access | ☐ Market rate housing |
| ☐ Health | ☐ Industrial development |
| ☐ Human Services and Family Support | ☐ Schools or other educational facilities |
| ☐ Other Business Development | |
| ☐ Public Safety | |
| ☐ Workforce Development | |

☐ **Check this box if the applicant is the Rural Partners Network Community Network. Leave this box unchecked if the applicant is not the Rural Partners Network Community Network Authorized Official.**

Authorized Official signature, if the applicant is not the Rural Partners Network Community Network Authorized Official:

I/We certify that:

- (1) We have completed the “Certification of Consistency with Rural Partners Network Community Network Goals and Implementation” with consultation and approval from the Rural Partners Network (RPN) Community Network Authorized Official
- (2) We are engaged in activities, that in consultation with the RPN Community Network host entity, further the purposes of the RPN initiative; and
- (3) Our proposed activities either directly reflect the goals of the RPN initiative or will result in the delivery of services that are consistent with the goals of the RPN initiative; and
- (4) We have committed to maintaining an ongoing relationship with the RPN Community Network the RPN Community Network Authorized Official, and the RPN Community Network Authorized Officials organization.”

Provide this completed form and request that the RPN Community Network Authorized Official provides a signed and dated letter that references the name of the Federal program and, if available, the number of the Federal program which the applicant is applying for, with the following Certification statement:

I/We certify that _____ (Applicant name):

- (1) *Has completed the “Certification of Consistency with Rural Partners Network Community Network Goals and Implementation” and I/we approve the content of the form; and*
- (2) *The organization is/will be engaged in activities that further the purposes of the Rural Partners Network (RPN) initiative; and*
- (3) *The organization’s proposed activities either directly reflect the goals of the RPN initiative or will result in the delivery of services that are consistent with the goals of the RPN initiative.*

RPN Official signing the letter:

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____
Title: _____ Organization: _____
Signature: _____ Date: _____

Authorized Official signature, if the applicant is the Rural Partners Network Community Network:

I/We certify that:

- (1) I have completed the “Certification of Consistency with Rural Partners Network Community Network Goals and Implementation” and approve the content of the form;
- (2) My organization is engaged in activities that further the purposes of the Rural Partners Network (RPN) initiative; and
- (3) Our proposed activities either directly reflect the goals of the RPN initiative or will result in the delivery of services that are consistent with the goals of the RPN initiative.

Note: If you are unable to have this form digitally signed by the Authorized Official via Grants.gov, then, fill in the information above excluding the signature and attach to the application a signed letter that includes the certification statement above, references the name of the Federal program, and if available, references the number of the Federal program.

Name (First Name, Middle Initial, Last Name): _____

Title: _____ Organization: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____