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Full-scale Fiber Optic Rollout Feasibility Study

(Taunton - June 25, 2019) TMLP Commissioners approved a full-scale rollout feasibility and small cell attachment study at their meeting on June 4, 2019. This is the next step towards a proposed mass rollout of our fiber optic internet access to the TMLP's 100-square mile territory.

TMLP's Internet Services Group has been providing telecommunication services since 1997. Over the years we've been expanding it on a business case by business case basis. "Our customers have been vocal about the need to expand our service. The TMLP Commission recognizes this and wants to evaluate the opportunity for a territory-wide roll out." said Kenneth Goulart, TMLP General Manager.

The feasibility and small attachment study will validate the TMLP territory 'fiberhoods', assess the risks of building a territory-wide network, and provide TMLP a pathway towards small cell revenues.

The bid has been awarded and the consultant is expected to have their study completed by October of 2019.

We are eager to receive the results of the study. For now, customers can still help make a business case for their 'fiberhood' by signing up at www.tmlp.net or calling 508.880.8657.

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TMLP serves over 38,000 customers in Taunton, Raynham, Berkley, North Dighton and sections of Lakeville and Bridgewater.

General Manager, Kenneth Goulart; Commissioners; Mark Blackwell Sr., Chairman, Peter Corr, Joseph Martin, Secretary