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EXTENSION OF INTENT TO APPLY DEADLINE Capital Projects Fund (CPF) Broadband Infrastructure Deployment Equity Pilot Program (NJBIDE)

Trenton, NJ – July 26, 2024: The New Jersey Office of Broadband Connectivity (OBC) is pleased to announce an extension of the Intent to Apply deadline (ITAs) for the Capital Projects Fund (CPF) Broadband Infrastructure Deployment Equity (NJBIDE) Pilot Program. The new deadline for submitting ITAs is **August 30, 2024**.

This extension aims to provide potential applicants with more time to gather the necessary information and develop competitive proposals that address the broadband needs of unserved and underserved communities in New Jersey.

The NJBIDE program is a critical initiative to expand access to affordable, high-speed internet in areas that lack adequate broadband infrastructure. The program prioritizes projects that promote equity, particularly for historically underserved, marginalized, and low-income communities.

Eligible applicants include local governments, non-profit organizations, and private entities. For more information about the program and the ITA process, please visit the Office of Broadband Connectivity Capital Projects Fun website at <https://www.nj.gov/connect/grants/cpf/>.

The OBC is committed to working with stakeholders to ensure that the CPF Broadband Infrastructure Deployment Equity Pilot Program is successful in bridging the digital divide and bringing reliable broadband service to all New Jersey residents.