

10. CONSIDERATION OF EASEMENT FOR MID-ATLANTIC BROADBAND COOPERATIVE

I have been in discussions over the last several months with Mid-Atlantic Broadband Cooperative (MBC) to furnish fiber-optic broadband services to prospective tenants at the Turner Tract Industrial Park.

You may recall that they're partnering with Old Dominion University to install more than 170 miles of fiber optic broadband in southeastern Virginia, including a new line along Route 58 between Emporia and Suffolk.

MBC will need roughly 2,500 square feet to install a switch somewhere along the corridor in Southampton County. I have suggested that they consider a site at the Turner Tract, on the east side of Rose Valley Road, adjacent to the location of the water wells and planned overhead water tank. A survey is attached for your reference. They have indicated to me that this site meets their needs, and will also insure that tenants of the new industrial park have ready access to their network.

They have forwarded to me a sample instrument for the easement – I am seeking your consideration in authorizing Chairman Jones to execute a similar instrument for the 50' x 50' easement depicted on the attached survey.

MOTION REQUIRED:

If the Board is so inclined, a motion is required authorizing Chairman Jones to execute the 50' x 50' easement for Mid-Atlantic Broadband at the appropriate time.