



March 22, 2010

Re: Letter of Support for ValleyNet's Upper Valley Fiber Initiative
and its application to Google's "Fiber to the Home" project

To Whom It May Concern:

Lake Sunapee Bank has been tracking the issue of very high speed connectivity for the past eighteen months and has come to recognize that the lack of this service in our region is detrimental to longer-term growth prospects for the communities...and people...we serve. And, I would like to take this opportunity to express to you our support of ValleyNet's Upper Valley Fiber Initiative and its application to Google's "Fiber to the Home" project.

EC Fiber has developed a creative and effective way to provide fiber optic service to the end of every driveway despite our distributed housing settlement pattern, working successfully with 23 Vermont municipalities (as well as their residents) to build a viable business plan that will provide "triple play" service at competitive prices.

In New Hampshire, the West Central NH initiative (WCNH) has similar goals. By combining these efforts, it is believed that covering the entire Upper Valley could be facilitated and achieved.

Sincerely,

Stephen W. Ensign
Chairman and CEO