

# Application for Membership in the Northern Michigan Broadband Cooperative

We, the undersigned, support the mission of the Northern Michigan Broadband Cooperative (NMBC) to bring broadband network services to homes, institutions and businesses in the 21 county region of northern Lower Michigan, including: Alcona, Antrim, Alpena, Benzie, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Crawford, Emmet, Grand Traverse, Kalkaska, Iosco, Leelanau, Manistee, Missaukee, Montmorency, Ogemaw, Oscoda, Otsego, Presque Isle, Roscommon, and Wexford.

The purpose of the NMBC is to facilitate the provision of reliable broadband and telecommunications services throughout Northern Michigan at affordable rates for all users but particularly education, government services, economic development and commerce, health care and emergency services.

The small businesses that are typical of our rural area are increasingly reliant on high-speed communications to maintain or improve their competitive position. Educational, medical and emergency services also need high-speed communications to improve the quality and range of services they offer.

Extending high-speed broadband access to all our citizens will enable them to participate fully in the economy of the future, reduce commuting, save resources, and enable residents of rural Northern Lower Michigan to lead more productive and richer lives.

**We, the undersigned, thereby apply for membership and include the sum of \$500 as our membership fee for one year and agree to be bound by the bylaws, rules, and regulations of the NMBC.**

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

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