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Diane Voss City Clerk City of Ames Iowa Via e-mail to <u>dvoss@cityofames.org</u>

Brian Phillips Assistant City Manager City of Ames Iowa Via e-mail to <u>phillips@city.ames.ia.us</u>

Re: Attachment to City owned utility poles

Dear Ms. Voss and Mr. Phillips:

I am writing on behalf of Metro Fibernet, LLC ("Metronet") to request that the City of Ames consider a request to allow Metronet facilities on a pole line across city property as depicted on the enclosed drawing. It is our understanding from City Staff that the proper protocol is to request the initial consideration of the City Council, which may request a staff opinion/recommendation on the feasibility and consequences of granting this request.

At this time it is unknown if this pole line/route are the only City poles that Metronet will need access to, however, this particular area is currently designed to be the backbone of all three rings of service currently being planned. The alternative to this route would utilize an existing easement/pole line across the City's silt/lime ponds. City staff have expressed reservations about that route due to possible interference with ongoing dredging operations conducted on these ponds. Consequently, access to this alternative pole line is seen as vital to the mission of efficiently and economically bringing service to Ames.

Thank you for taking whatever action is necessary to get us a step closer to the provision of services throughout your City. Please feel free to contact the undersigned should you have any comments or questions.

Very Truly Yours,

METRO FIBERNET, LLC

John Greenbank, Executive Vice President

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