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**REGULATORY COMMISSION OF ALASKA EXTENDS APPLICATION DEADLINE
FOR THE RURAL ALASKA BROADBAND INTERNET ACCESS PROGRAM**

On September 19, 2008, the Regulatory Commission of Alaska (RCA) issued a press release announcing the release of the grant application guide for the fourth round of the Rural Alaska Broadband Internet Access Grant Program (Grant Program). The RCA requested proposals from telecommunications carriers and cable operators interested in receiving a grant under this program, and set a deadline of October 31, 2008 to receive grant applications.

In order to ensure grant applicants have sufficient time to complete comprehensive grant applications in this round of grant funding, the RCA is extending the deadline for filing grant applications to December 31, 2008. A revised *Round Four Grant Application Guide*, incorporating the extended filing deadline and related timelines, is now available on the RCA website at <https://rca.alaska.gov/RCAWeb/Programs/BroadbandInternetGrant.aspx>. Questions regarding the application process should be directed to RCA Staff, Jess Manaois or Rich Gazaway, at (907) 276-6222.

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