

DECISION MEMORANDUM

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FROM: WAYNE HART

DATE: DECEMBER 28, 2006

RE: SYRINGA BROADBAND TAX CREDIT APPLICATION
CASE NO. SZ9-T-06-2

BACKGROUND

On December 26, 2006, the Commission received an Application from Syringa Networks, LLC (Syringa) asking for approval of equipment for the broadband tax credit pursuant to Order No. 28784 and *Idaho Code* § 63-3029I(4). To be eligible for the tax credit, the taxpayer must obtain from the Commission an Order confirming that installed equipment qualifies for the tax credit.

STAFF ANALYSIS

Syringa's Application indicates that the majority of its 2006 expenditures were for the completion of work started in previous years, including the installation of its fiber optic cable network, digital switching equipment, SONET multiplexers, testing equipment, modular routers, and supporting power supply and software. Syringa offers high-speed transport, frame-relay, and other related services to customers at transmission rates of 1.544 Mbps and higher. The Company also states that all of its customers are Idaho subscribers. Syringa states that it invested approximately \$500,000 in qualifying broadband equipment during calendar year 2006.

STAFF REVIEW

Staff has reviewed the lists of proposed broadband equipment submitted by Syringa and believes that the equipment identified qualifies for the investment tax credit pursuant to *Idaho*

Code § 63-3029I. Therefore, Staff recommends approval of the Application and further recommends that the Commission forward the approving Order along with a copy of the original Application to the Idaho Tax Commission.

COMMISSION DECISION

Should the Commission approve Syringa's Application for the broadband investment tax credit?


Wayne Hart


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