Peer Review Plan

Preliminary Title: Rural Broadband At a Glance, 2012
Type of Report (ERR, EIB, EB) EIB
Agency: Economic Research Service USDA
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Subject of Review: Everyday activities have increasingly shifted to the Internet. Some of these activities have great potential value for the rural economy and rural communities are invested in the digital economy, though use and equal availability across the rural-urban landscape remains problematic. The Rural Broadband at a Glance report provides current rural broadband conditions across the rural-urban broadband landscape.

Purpose of Review: The purpose of the review is to ensure the high-quality of the economic analysis, transparent explanation of methods, objective interpretation of results, and effective communication to the intended audience.

Type of Review: [ ] Panel Review [X] Individual Reviewers [ ] Alternative Process (Briefly Explain):

Timing of Review (Est.): Start: 04/17/12 End: 10/17/12 Completed: 10/17/12

Number of Reviewers: [ ] 3 or fewer [X] 4 to 10 [ ] More than 10

Primary Disciplines/Types of Expertise Needed for Review: Economists

Reviewers selected by: [X] Agency [ ] Designated Outside Organization
Organization’s Name: USDA

Opportunities for Public Comment? [ ] Yes [X] No
If yes, briefly state how and when these opportunities will be provided:
How: 
When: 

Peer Reviewers Provided with Public Comments? [ ] Yes [X] No
Public Nominations Requested for Review Panel? [ ] Yes [X] No