
Authorities Budget Office Policy Guidance



Authority Mission Statement and Performance Measurements

Name of Public Authority: Southern Tier Network, Inc.

Public Authority's Mission Statement:

Our Mission

Enable universal access to affordable broadband services and promote economic growth in the regions we serve.

Our Vision

STN will achieve its mission by building coalitions among public and private organizations to construct and maintain low cost, open access broadband infrastructure to drive economic growth and universal access to affordable broadband services across the region.

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List of Performance Goals:

- **Provide affordable broadband services in the Southern Tier region of New York State.** STN worked with ESD ConnectALL to design, build, and operate a fiber to the home broadband network in Nichols, NY to over 800 residents.
- **Enhance STN project management capabilities.** STN hired a part time project manager to help with the installation of STN customer projects. STN also implemented a project management software platform to help track customer project status and costs.
- **Establish STN co-location facilities that are appropriately designed and secure across the network from a contractual and engineering perspective.** STN secured, built out, and now operate our new network co-location facilities in Binghamton, Elmira, Geneva, and Penn Yan.

Additional questions:

1. Have the board members acknowledged that they have read and understood the mission of the public authority?

Yes

2. Who has the power to appoint the management of the public authority?

The STN Board of Directors.

3. If the Board appoints management, do you have a policy you follow when appointing the management of the public authority?

Yes

4. Briefly describe the role of the Board and the role of management in the implementation of the mission.

The Board and Management meet monthly to review progress in contracting with vendors, working with customers, and the operation of the network.

5. Has the Board acknowledged that they have read and understood the responses to each of these questions?

Yes