

COMPUTECH AWARDED CONTRACT TO DESIGN & DEVELOP NATIONAL BROADBAND MAP

Bethesda, MD (November 11, 2010) – Information Technology Consulting Firm, [Computech, Inc.](#), has been awarded the contract to construct the National Broadband Map from the [National Telecommunications and Information Administration](#) and [Federal Communications Commission](#). Bourn out of the necessity to provide businesses and consumers with access to information fundamental to survival, growth and future success, the publicly accessible, searchable and interactive National Broadband Map will serve as a tool for policy analysts to identify underserved areas and make informed, broadband funding decisions.

The National Broadband Map will disseminate data on the availability, speed, location and type of broadband services, as well as the adoption and availability of broadband at community anchor institutions throughout states. The National Broadband Map aims to present this data in a straightforward, prudent manner, with the support of geographic information systems, visualization techniques and a sleek user experience. It will appeal to the novice consumer looking for basic information about broadband availability in their area, as well as to advanced users looking to interact with sophisticated aspects of the site.

“The digital revolution has shifted vast amounts of information online and access to reliable, fast broadband has become vital to everyday functions,” explained Larry Fitzpatrick, Computech’s President. “We are seeing a dramatic increase in the use of geospatial techniques for making access to government data more useful and are proud to be early supporters of this transformation.”

By developing the National Broadband Map on a layer of Application Programming Interfaces (API), Computech will enable developers and engineers to consume the broadband data for their own mash-ups and applications. Computech’s team will demonstrate its extensive experience in information technology solutions, particularly in the area of data visualization, user experience design, social media, data analysis, geospatial analysis and mapping.

Partners in the National Broadband Map effort include, [Stamen Design](#), an interactive design and technology studio in San Francisco, which will produce advanced visualizations of the broadband data and [TopCoder, Inc.](#), a leader in online programming competitions, will host a contest that will produce a Mobile Application based on the broadband data. The preliminary version of the National Broadband Map will go live February 17, 2011.

Computech (www.computechinc.com), a diverse information technology firm, develops, implements and maintains sophisticated business-critical information systems for public and private organizations. Computech offers expertise in data-driven dashboards; auction and spectrum management; legacy system modernization; business process modernization; revenue-based collection systems; and change management.