

**Committee on Agriculture
U.S. House of Representatives
Information Required From Nongovernmental Witnesses**

House rules require nongovernmental witnesses to provide their resume or biographical sketch prior to testifying. If you do not have a resume or biographical sketch available, please complete this form.

1. **Name:** Shirley Bloomfield
2. **Organization you represent:** NTCA-The Rural Broadband Association
3. **Please list any occupational, employment, or work-related experience you have which add to your qualification to provide testimony before the Committee:**

I have spent the past 35 years in the communications space, primarily working with small, rural community-based providers who started as the telecommunications provider in their communities when larger companies chose not serve these areas. Due to consumer demand, these providers quickly morphed into full service providers to ensure that their communities had access to services and were early adopters of bringing broadband access given their spirit of innovation and their ability to move quickly, coupled with a strong need for their consumers.

4. **Please list any special training, education, or professional experience you have which add to your qualifications to provide testimony before the Committee:**

I have a degree in Economics from Northwestern University, an MPA from American University and spent time working on the House Budget Committee. I have also spent a great deal of time in the field with my providers and their communities to better understand the real challenges beyond an academic perspective.

5. **If you are appearing on behalf of an organization, please list the capacity in which you are representing that organization, including any offices or elected positions you hold:**

I am the CEO of NTCA-The Rural Broadband Association, a role I have held for 13 years prior to my other roles in the association and communications industry.

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TESTIMONY.**