Broadband Deployment Council

Public/Private Partnership Workgroup	
Authority/Context	The Broadband Deployment Council (BDC), created by executive order number 9 2005, is charged with ensuring that as soon as possible, advanced telecommunications services are available to the citizens of Illinois on a universal, competitive, and affordable basis.
Charge to the BDC	The Administrative Committee of the BDC met June 20, 2014 and established five (5) workgroups to conduct the business of the BDC. The duties of the BDC are enumerated in the executive order.
Public/Private Workgroup	One of the duties of the BDC is to encourage and facilitate the coordination of private and public telecommunications deployment, including local and regional efforts and public-private partnerships. The Administrative Committee charged the workgroup with developing a plan to coordinate between public and commercial entities to come up with innovative partnership ideas. This builds upon the work of the prior BDC Policy committee.
Charge to the Workgroup	The workgroup shall develop a set of recommendations for: • Documentation of current and past public/private partnerships in the broadband space • Identify potential for public/private partnerships in the future and requisite policies • Develop policy recommendations and findings for the consideration of the Broadband Deployment Council
Timeline	
Convenor/Chair	Bruce Montgomery, BDC Member, Convenor
Reporting and Communications	The chair of the workgroup is to provide a brief written status report for each quarterly Broadband Deployment Council meeting.

Workgroup Ground Rules

• Active participation is essential as discussions and decisions made will not be revisited.
• If you miss a meeting, minutes will be provided within one week.
• Lend your expertise and share all relevant information.
• Everyone has a chance to speak without interruption.
• All ideas and opinions will be respected.
• No one should dominate the conversation or topic.
• Be open to new ideas.
• Make decisions based on what is best for the end user.
• Group consensus of key findings that will translate into recommendations for the BDC.