261—24.7(15E) Maintenance of certification.

24.7(1) *Reports.* A political subdivision certified pursuant to this chapter shall submit an annual report to the authority verifying its continued eligibility for certification pursuant to rule 261—24.5(15E) or 261—24.6(15E). If applicable, the report will also address a political subdivision's compliance with the restrictions in subrule 24.7(2).

24.7(2) *Restrictions on certified broadband forward communities.* A political subdivision that the authority has certified as a broadband forward community pursuant to subrule 24.4(3) shall not do any of the following:

a. Require an applicant to designate a final contractor to complete a broadband infrastructure project.

b. Impose a fee to review an application or issue a permit for a broadband infrastructure application in excess of $100.

c. Impose a moratorium of any kind on the approval of applications and issuance of permits for broadband infrastructure projects or on construction related to broadband infrastructure.

d. Discriminate among communications service providers or public utilities with respect to any action described in this rule or otherwise related to broadband infrastructure, including granting access to public rights-of-way, infrastructure and poles, river and bridge crossings, or any other physical assets owned or controlled by the political subdivision.

e. As a condition for approving an application or issuing a permit for a broadband infrastructure project or for any other purpose, require the applicant to provide any service or make available any part of the broadband infrastructure to the political subdivision or make any payment to or on behalf of the political subdivision, except for the fee allowed under paragraph 24.7(2)*"b."*

24.7(3) *Revocation of certification.* The authority shall revoke the certification of a political subdivision that does not comply with the requirements of subrule 24.7(1) or 24.7(2) or that the authority otherwise determines is no longer eligible for certification pursuant to this chapter.

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