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Dear North Carolinian:

The North Carolina Connectivity Council (NCCC) is collecting information (“stories”) about “QOE” (*quality of experience*) with connectivity in our state. Connectivity refers to using computer networks to link to people and resources; this could be an internet connection or perhaps a videoconference network connection.

What is your QOE with Connectivity in North Carolina? Do you have a best practice you can share—or perhaps a critical need to express? Our legislators need to hear from YOU—the end users of this service. They need to hear what it’s doing to make your life more meaningful; with descriptions, pictures (if possible), and notable quotes. They also need to hear your needs; what you’re not able to do, be, or learn. These decision makers are the funding source for these connections. The NCCC wants to compile your stories to make a compelling impact in educating our legislators.

Please complete this form with your *story*. This is your chance to make a difference in bringing North Carolina into to the digital generation that has rapidly emerged in our society.

Our first impact is targeted to the members of the General Assembly in mid-February 2007. To be sure your story is included in the booklet, please submit it by January 25, 2007. We will contact you to provide you access to this booklet as soon as it is ready for distribution.

Thank you for your contribution!

North Carolina Connectivity Council

Please submit your story to:

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Case Story of QOE* with Connectivity in North Carolina

**Quality of Experience*

Site:
Site Contact:
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Insert text that describes an event or a process that demonstrates how the agency/individual uses technology to enhance instruction, increase productivity, demonstrate real world applications or improve communication, and, if appropriate, describe related enhancement or expansion needs.

AND/OR

Insert text that describes a “challenge” story—a critical need or deficiency with connectivity that presents an obstacle to what you’re able to do, be, or learn.

(Please limit to 300 words or less)

Insert a picture, if appropriate. Photos must be copyright free; individuals in the pictures must provide consent.

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