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August 2011 Collinsville to Springfield Segment Operational

September 16, 2011 **IBOP EC Presentation at** Illinois Municipal League

October 12, 2011 **IBOP EC Presentation at** Central Illinois ARRA Awardees Meeting

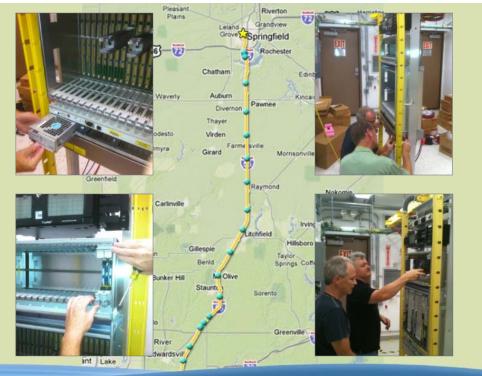
December 2011 Collinsville to Chicago Segment Operational

IBOP-EC Update As of August 1st, 50% of the total network design has been completed. CMS has received confirmation from the State Historic Preservation Officer that no archeology survey work will be required for portions of the fiber route that run along the IDOT rights-of-way. This means that the scope of required archeology survey work left to complete is less than 30 miles of the originally identified 200 miles throughout the project area. We

anticipate completing most, if not all, of the remaining survey work in September. A request for quote was distributed to the five CMS Fiber Construction Contractors on August 8th for the Kankakee to Champaign fiber route. Quotes are due from the Contractors on August 29th. CMS will work to review quotes, and make an award to the winning Contractor over the next few weeks. Construction for this specific portion of the network is still on track to begin in September.

Lighting Collinsville to Chicago Work to extend the I-55 fiber to the Springfield POP site has been completed. Optical equipment has been installed in Springfield, Collinsville, and at the amplification site between Collinsville and Springfield. CMS staff are planning to light up the route this week. CMS staff is working with the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority and the Illinois Department of Transportation to finalize the specific fiber connectivity path in the Chicago area to the ICN POP site in downtown Chicago.

Installation and turn up of the DWDM Fujitsu equipment



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