

(2) The panel of advisors may assist the Task Force in its work as determined by the Chairman of the Task Force.

(g) The panel of advisors may include representatives of:

- (1) local telephone service providers;
- (2) long distance telephone service providers;
- (3) cable service providers;
- (4) wireless service providers;
- (5) satellite service providers;
- (6) investor-owned electric utility providers;
- (7) rural electric cooperatives;
- (8) municipal electric utilities;
- (9) Internet service providers;
- (10) the Network Maryland Advisory Group;
- (11) the Network Maryland Engineering Committee;
- (12) the Governor's Technology Commission;
- (13) the Information Technology Board;
- (14) the Maryland Chamber of Commerce;
- (15) the Maryland Municipal League;
- (16) the Maryland Association of Counties;
- (17) the Maryland Rural Health Association;
- (18) organizations representing schools, libraries, colleges, universities, and high technology councils; and
- (19) any other group, organization, or person, as determined by the Chairman of the Task Force.

(h) The Task Force shall:

(1) shall consider developments and best practices in regions of the country where broadband communications are being deployed in rural communities, the broadband networking infrastructure in those areas, and the direct and indirect benefits and costs associated with the networks;

(2) after considering existing State and regional broadband communications assessments and information that may become available during the deliberations of the Task Force, shall evaluate: