

OCC and CASE will be conducting several briefings across the state during February 2012 to present a recently-released study entitled *Guidelines for the Development of a Strategic Plan for Accessibility to and Adoption of Broadband Services in Connecticut*.

As a result of a \$4 million federal stimulus grant made to PURA and administered by the state's broadband policy and programs coordinator, a principal attorney at the OCC, the Connecticut Academy of Science and Engineering (CASE) recently completed (December 30, 2011) a study on *Guidelines for the Development of a Strategic Plan for Accessibility to and Adoption of Broadband Services in Connecticut*.

A copy of the full report (includes Executive Summary) as well as "Key Points" and the announcement of the presentation dates and locations are attached below.

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The OCC and CASE presentations will inform interested parties of the report's findings and recommendations, as well as to receive feedback for the state to use in developing the state's strategic plan.

The briefings will be held as follows:

- **Monday, February 6th, Torrington** 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.
Northwest Connecticut's Chamber of Commerce, <http://nwctchamberofcommerce.org/directions.asp>
- **Tuesday, February 14th, Waterford** 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.
Chamber of Commerce of Eastern Connecticut, <http://chamberect.com/directions.html>
- **Thursday, February 16th, Stamford** 8:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.
Business Council of Fairfield County, Landmark Square Conference Center, <http://www.businessfairfield.com/Directions/landmark.htm>

Additional briefings may be held for state agencies and committees of the General Assembly as part of the strategic planning process.