



# Instructions for Adding Priority Evidence Collection Questions into the Benefit of the Bargain Application

In the Benefit of the Bargain Round, any applicant can request Priority status for its project proposal. To be granted Priority status, the technologies employed in the project proposal must meet the technical performance requirements in the BEAD NOFO, as redefined by NTIA's [BEAD Restructuring Policy Notice](#) (issued June 6, 2025), and the statute.

To facilitate evidence collection and review, MBO has prepared separate templates and instruction manuals for the five eligible technology types:

- Low-Earth orbit (LEO) satellite
- Unlicensed fixed wireless (ULFW)
- Licensed fixed wireless (LFW)
- Hybrid fiber-coaxial (HFC)
- Fiber-to-the-premises (FTTP)

MBO recommends incorporating the templates and corresponding questions into your Benefit of the Bargain Round application in one of the following locations:

1. Where in previous application rounds, the applicant would have indicated the project type (i.e., Priority, Non-Priority, Alternative Technology), or,
2. The section where you are collecting technical project details.

The previous technology (priority, non-priority) question(s) should be removed. The table below illustrates how the questions might be formatted in an application portal.

Question Number	Question	Question is required	Response format
1	<b>Indicate the project type. Priority projects must employ technologies in the project proposal that meet the technical performance requirements in the NOFO, as redefined by NTIA's BEAD Restructuring Policy Notice (June 6, 2025) and the statute.</b>	For all applicants	Single-select:  1. Priority 2. Non-Priority
2	<b>Select the technology type(s) for this Priority project</b>	If (1) project type is "Priority"	Multi-select:  1. LEO

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			2. ULFW 3. LFW 4. HFC 5. FTTP
<b>3</b>	<b>Using the LEO evidence template and instructions, upload descriptions of the proposed project's technical specifications and design.</b>	If (2) technology type is "LEO"	Upload template
<b>4</b>	<b>Using the ULFW evidence template and instructions, upload descriptions of the proposed project's technical specifications and design.</b>	If (2) technology type is "ULFW"	Upload template
<b>5</b>	<b>Using the LFW evidence template and instructions, upload descriptions of the proposed project's technical specifications and design.</b>	If (2) technology type is "LFW"	Upload template
<b>6</b>	<b>Using the HFC evidence template and instructions, upload descriptions of the proposed project's technical specifications and design.</b>	If (2) technology type is "HFC"	Upload template
<b>7</b>	<b>Using the FTTP evidence template and instructions, upload descriptions of the proposed project's technical specifications and design.</b>	If (2) technology type is "FTTP"	Upload template