

## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

## Bryan Rader of UpStream Network Named 2018 Broadband Communities Summit Chairman

**OAK BROOK, Illinois (Dec. 11, 2017)** — Bryan Rader, President of Upstream Network, has been named Chairman of Broadband Communities Summit, the leading conference on broadband technologies for communities, to be held in Austin, Texas, in May 2018.

Rader is an industry veteran with over 20 years experience in cable television, and has worked on both the technology and real estate sides of the industry. At the helm of the recently launched Upstream Network fiber-based broadband platform, specifically designed for the multi-dwelling unit (MDU) market, Rader's team has experienced great momentum in its inaugural year, with new business development managers being hired in multiple cities to align with core markets, current operational clusters, and MDU opportunities for growth. Upstream estimates their pipeline has over 30,000 units today, with 3,000+ more to be launched across their footprint in the next 90 days.

Broadband Communities Summit attracts broadband system operators, network builders and deployers of all kinds. Many of the country's major property owners and real estate developers attend the Summit each year, along with independent telcos and cable companies, municipal and state officials, community leaders and economic development professionals.

"It is an honor to be selected to chair this important industry event," said Rader. "With so many new initiatives in broadband, the Summit always offers great insight into what's next for our market."

Rader was selected as one of the Top 40 Members in the Real Estate Telecom industry, has been honored with a Cornerstone Award for Industry Excellence, and named one of the 25 Most Influential People in Real Estate & Technology. He is also a board member of the Multi-Family Broadband Council (MBC) trade association for private operators, and writes a monthly column for Broadband Communities Magazine. Rader is a frequent speaker to national real estate and technology organizations including NMHC, WISPA, and Community Associations Institute. Rader is an active supporter of autism awareness and research, and holds a degree from the University of Missouri-Columbia. He lives in Chicago, Illinois with his wife and two children.

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