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Kissinger & Fellman

Ken Fellman, partner and mayor of Arvada, has been appointed by Colorado Gov. Bill Ritter to serve on Ritter's new Innovation Council, designed in part to increase deployment of broadband technology throughout the state.

Fellman, the only government representative from the Denver area, said he hoped to work to make broadband service "more affordable."

The council will also work toward consolidation and reform of the state's fractured information technology system. An example of Colorado's IT inefficiency is evident in its collection of data centers, numbering 38, where two or three could do the job.

"We have a very talented group of participants on the Innovation Council, representing a healthy cross-section of IT disciplines," Ritter said. "Ken Fellman has served as general counsel to the Greater Metro Telecommunications Consortium, and he is an expert in the field of telecommunications law on the municipal level. His contributions will be appreciated."

Ritter expects the Innovation Council to create a strategy for economic development within the state's technology sector.