



Russ Elliott

CLUB 20 Telecommunications Chairman

After receiving my MBA in Management from Colorado State University, I spent fifteen successful years as a hotel General Manager, for both independent and National franchise operations. I joined Brainstorm Internet in 2001 with the objective to bring a service mentality to the technology industry as C.O.O. of Brainstorm Internet. Shortly after joining the team, I helped orchestrate the acquisition of the Western Slope's largest ISP, Frontier Internet, and successfully migrated their 12,000 customers into the Brainstorm fold. After that acquisition, I was promoted to President of Brainstorm, now the largest local ISP on the Western Slope of Colorado.

As both a provider and user of internet services, I am continuing to look to the future for new opportunities and technologies for the rural areas of Colorado and New Mexico. Brainstorm is committed to its local communities and 18,000 customers in that it is always looking to bring advancement to connectivity that would otherwise be overlooked due to the rural nature of this region. Brainstorm was first in remote terminal collocation in Southwest Colorado and its facilities based CLEC in both Colorado and New Mexico.