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Irene Kim Asbury, Secretary Board of Public Utilities 44 South Clinton Avenue 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Suite 314 Trenton, NJ 08625



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Re:

In the Matter of the Petition of Comcast of New Jersey, LLC, for a Renewal Certificate of Approval to Continue to Construct, Operate and Maintain a Cable Television System in and for the Township of Ocean, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey Our File No. 41000,3000

Dear Secretary Asbury:

Enclosed herewith please find the original and eleven (11) copies of the Verified Petition and Verification filed on behalf of Comcast of New Jersey, LLC ("Comcast"), along with three (3) copies of Comcast's public Application for Renewal of a Certificate of Approval ("Application"), with respect to the above-referenced matter. Said copies of the Application have been redacted so as to protect certain confidential information contained therein. Confidential copies of the Application are being submitted simultaneously under separate cover, along with Comcast's request for confidential treatment, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 14:1-12 et seq.

Kindly file the Petition and please return the extra copy of this letter and Petition stamped "RECEIVED" in the self-addressed, stamped envelope provided herein.

Thank you for your kind consideration. Should you have any questions or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Very truly yours,

Dennis C. Linken

For the Firm

DCL:dp cc:w/enc. Lawanda R. Gilbert, Acting Director (via first class mail)

Maria T. Novas-Ruiz, Assistant Deputy Rate Counsel (via first class mail)

Diane B. Ambrosio, Township Clerk (via first class mail

Robert D. Clifton, Senior Director of Government Affairs (via first class mail)

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES OFFICE OF CABLE TELEVISION

**Board of Public Utilities** 

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IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF COMCAST OF NEW JERSEY, LLC, FOR A RENEWAL CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL TO CONTINUE TO CONSTRUCT, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN A CABLE TELEVISION SYSTEM IN AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF OCEAN, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

VERIFIED PETITION

Docket No.

Comcast of New Jersey, LLC (hereinafter "Comcast" or "Petitioner"), hereby petitions the Honorable Board of Public Utilities (the "Board"), pursuant to 47 <u>U.S.C.</u> §546(c), <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 48:5A-15, -16 and -17, <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 14:17-6.9 and <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 14:18-13.1 <u>et seq.</u>, for renewal of a Certificate of Approval. In support of its Petition, Petitioner states as follows:

## COUNT ONE

- 1. Comcast, a limited liability company duly organized under the laws of the State of Delaware, is a cable company subject to the jurisdiction of the Office of Cable Television & Telecommunications ("OCTV&T") and the Board, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 48:5A-1 et seq.
- Comcast maintains its principal offices at 830 Highway 37 West, Toms River, New Jersey 08755.

operating authority in the Township will avoid an unreasonable duplication of services which would otherwise be detrimental to the development of adequate cable television service.

- 20. Comcast is entitled to a renewal of its Municipal Consent and Certificate of Approval, pursuant to the provisions of Section 17(b) of the New Jersey Cable Television Act, N.J.S.A. 48:5A-1 et seq.
- 21. Comcast believes that a Renewal Certificate of Approval for the Township of Ocean is necessary and proper for the public convenience and will serve the public interest for reasons which include, inter alia, the following:
- (a) The grant of a Renewal Certificate of Approval to Comcast will ensure the continued provision of safe, adequate and proper cable television service to the residents of the Township;
- (b) The services provided and to be provided by Comcast as set forth in itsCOA Application are and will be of great benefit to the citizens and residents of the Township;
- (c) The financial strength and technical expertise of Comcast are more than adequate to continue to construct, operate and maintain its cable television system in the Township of Ocean; and
- (d) Comcast, its officers and its directors, have vast experience in all aspects of cable television. In particular, they possess and represent the highest degree of technical and engineering competence, significant administrative experience and a demonstrated responsiveness to community needs. In addition to Ocean, Comcast and its affiliates hold Certificates of Approval or other authorization to construct, operate and maintain cable television systems in more than 340 municipalities in New Jersey, as well as additional communities in 38 other states.

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IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF COMCAST OF NEW JERSEY, LLC, FOR A RENEWAL CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL TO CONTINUE TO CONSTRUCT, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN A CABLE TELEVISION SYSTEM IN AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF OCEAN, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

VERIFICATION

Docket No.

Robert D. Clifton, hereby certifies as follows:

- I am Senior Director of Government Affairs of Comcast of New Jersey,
   LLC, Petitioner in the within matter.
- I am familiar with the nature and contents of the Petition to which this
   Verification is annexed.
- 3. The allegations of the Petition are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

I certify that the foregoing statements made by me are true. I am aware that if any of the foregoing statements made by me are willfully false, I may be subject to punishment.

Robert D. Clifton

Dated: January 9, 2016