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BY HAND

Honorable Jaclyn A. Brilling Secretary New York Public Service Commission Three Empire State Plaza Albany, New York 12223

Re: Case 07-V-____

Dear Secretary Brilling:

Enclosed please find an original and four (4) copies of the Petition of Verizon New York Inc. ("Verizon") for confirmation, pursuant to § 221 of the Public Service Law, of a cable franchise awarded to Verizon by the Village of Nissequogue, New York.

The cable service that Verizon proposes to offer in Nissequogue is a key component of the suite of advanced services (known as "Verizon FiOSSM,") that will be provided through the use of innovative Fiber-to-the-Premises ("FTTP") technology. Verizon FiOS will provide the residents of Nissequogue with a robust array of high-quality video services, as well as a new competitive alternative to the video services currently offered by incumbent cable and satellite providers.

Verizon's proposed offering of FiOS video service in Nissequogue complies in all respects with the requirements of New York and federal law, and will provide valuable benefits to consumers in the franchise area. Accordingly, Verizon respectfully requests that the Commission review and approve this Petition on an expedited basis.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph a. Post

cc: <u>Village of Nissequogue</u>

Ms. Mary Jane Kinney Village Clerk Village of Nissequogue 631 Moriches Road St. James, New York 11780

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STATE OF NEW YORK PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Petition of Verizon New York Inc. Pursuant to Section 221 of the Public Service Law for Confirmation of a Cable Television Franchise Awarded by the Village of Nissequogue, New York (Suffolk County)

Case 07-V-____

PETITION FOR CONFIRMATION

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PETITION FOR CONFIRMATION

Verizon New York Inc. ("Verizon") respectfully requests that the Commission confirm, pursuant to § 221 of the Public Service Law, a non-exclusive cable franchise (the "Franchise") that has been awarded to Verizon by the Village of Nissequogue, a municipality located in Suffolk County (the "Franchisor").

The Franchise, and Verizon's proposed offering of cable service in Nissequogue pursuant to the Franchise, comply with all applicable requirements of federal and state law. Moreover, prompt approval of the Franchise would be in the public interest and would provide important benefits to the people of this State.

First, cable service is a key component of the suite of services (known as "Verizon FiOS^{SM"}) that Verizon intends to offer over its Fiber-to-the-Premises ("FTTP") platform. FTTP is an innovative new technology that uses fiber-optic cable and optical electronics to link homes and businesses directly to Verizon's network. Aside from making advanced services — including a robust array of video services — available to Verizon's customers, FTTP exemplifies the substantial investments that Verizon has been making in new network technologies. By approving and confirming the Franchise, the Commission will thus be demonstrating its own commitment to policies that encourage innovation and network investment.

Second, the offering of FiOS video services by Verizon will provide a competitive alternative to conventional cable and satellite services, thus promoting the emergence in the video market of the same sort of healthy competition that already exists in the telecommunications voice market — with the price and service discipline that is associated with such competition.

Accordingly, Verizon respectfully requests that the Commission review this Petition and confirm the Franchise on an expedited basis.

I. INFORMATION SUBMITTED IN SUPPORT OF THE PETITION

In support of this Petition, Verizon states as follows:¹

- 1. The applicant for confirmation and approval of the Franchise is Verizon.

 Verizon's contact for purposes of this application is Thomas McCarroll, Vice President —

 Regulatory Affairs, 158 State Street, Albany, New York 12207, (518) 396-1001. The

 municipality that will be served pursuant to the Franchise is the Franchisor. Verizon anticipates that it will begin offering service to the public for hire pursuant to the Franchise as soon as is practicable after the Commission confirms the Franchise. (16 NYCRR § 897.2(a))
- 2. True copies of the Franchise and the resolution authorizing the Franchise are provided as Attachments A and B, respectively, to this Petition. A public hearing on Verizon's application for a franchise was held by the Franchisor on August 21, 2007, at Village Hall, 631 Moriches Road, St. James, New York, starting at approximately 7:00 P.M. A true copy of the affidavit of publication of the notice of public hearing is provided as Attachment C to this petition. (16 NYCRR § 897.2(b))

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¹ Each of the numbered paragraphs in this section of the Petition identifies the statute or regulation that requires Verizon to provide the information set forth in the paragraph.

- 3. True copies of the documents submitted by Verizon to the Franchisor as part of, or in support of, its application for the Franchise are included in Attachment D to this petition.

 (16 NYCRR § 897.2(c))
- 4. The facilities in New York State that will be used to provide cable television service pursuant to the Franchise are owned by Verizon. (16 NYCRR § 897.2(d))
- 5. The technical specifications and design of the cable system are described in Attachment E to this Petition.

The Commission's rules do not require, and Verizon's initial service plan for the Franchise does not include, origination cablecasting. Verizon meets all of the Commission's regulations regarding the provision of PEG access channels. With respect to access cablecasting, *see* section 5.1.3 of the Franchise included as Attachment A to this Petition. (16 NYCRR § 897.2(e))

- 6. Verizon's proposed operation of the cable system at issue in this Petition would not be in violation of, or in any way inconsistent with, any applicable federal or State law or regulation. (16 NYCRR § 897.2(f))
- 7. A copy of this Petition is being served upon the Clerk for the Franchisor, and proof of such service is provided as Attachment F to this Petition. (Publ. Serv. L. § 221(1); 16 NYCRR § 897.2(g))
- 8. A notice of this Petition will be published on August 24, 2007 in Newsday.

 Newsday is a newspaper of general circulation in the Village of Nissequogue. Verizon has submitted the notice to that newspaper, has arranged for payment of the necessary charges, and has been assured that the notice will be published on the specified date. Proof of these facts is

provided as Attachment G to this Petition. Verizon will file a supplemental affidavit confirming the actual publication of the notice following publication. (16 NYCRR § 897.2(g))

II. ISSUES RELATING TO THE STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW ACT

A Department of Environmental Conservation "Full Environmental Assessment Form" ("EAF") for Verizon's offering of cable service in Nissequogue, together with certain supplemental materials, is provided as Attachment H to this Petition. Verizon has completed Part 1 of the form, which calls for information to be provided by the "Project Sponsor"; Parts 2 and 3 are to be filled out by the Commission.

It is Verizon's position that submission of an EAF is not required for the activities at issue in this Petition, and that even if such a submission were required, a short-form EAF would suffice.² Attachment H is submitted without prejudice to that position, at Staff's request, and in recognition of the fact that the Commission has concluded in previous orders that the offering of cable service by Verizon is an "unlisted" action — rather than a Type II action or a non-action — under the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA"). Even if the Commission concludes that submission of an EAF is required, it should determine on the basis of Attachment H that the actions at issue here will not have a significant effect on the environment — *i.e.*, the Commission should issue a "negative declaration" under SEQRA — as it has done in prior Verizon confirmation proceedings.

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² For an explanation of the basis of this position, *see* Section II of Verizon's October 6, 2005 petition for confirmation of a franchise granted by the Village of Massapequa Park, New York (Case 05-V-1263).

III. CONCLUSION

The Franchise, and Verizon's proposed offering of FiOS video services in Nissequogue pursuant to the Franchise, comply in all respects with applicable laws. Moreover, the proposed offering of a new alternative to the video services provided by incumbent cable and satellite providers, utilizing Verizon's FTTP platform, is in the public interest. Accordingly, the Commission should promptly review this Petition and based on such review should confirm and approve the Franchise. Further, if the Commission concludes that review under SEQRA is required in connection with its confirmation and approval of the Franchise, it should determine that Verizon's proposed offering of cable service pursuant to the Franchise will not have a significant adverse environmental impact, and it should accordingly include a negative declaration under SEQRA in its confirmation order.

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VERIFICATION

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS)	
)	ss.:
COUNTY OF SUFFOLK)	

BRUCE P. BEAUSEJOUR, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

I am an officer — specifically, Vice President, General Counsel and Assistant Secretary

— of Verizon New York Inc., the Petitioner in this proceeding. I have read the foregoing

Petition and I know its contents. To the best of my knowledge, based on information provided to

me by employees of the Petitioner, the foregoing Petition is true.

BRUCE P. BEAUSEJOUR

Sworn to before me this 22nd day of August, 2007

Notary Public



LIST OF ATTACHMENTS TO THE PETITION

- A. True copy of the Franchise
- B. True copy of the resolution authorizing the Franchise
- C. True copy of the affidavit of publication of notice of public hearing
- D. True copies of documents submitted by Verizon to the Franchisor
- E. Technical specifications and design of the cable system
- F. Proof of service of the Petition upon the Franchisor
- G. Proof of publication of notice of the Petition
- H. Environmental Assessment Form, with supplemental materials

ATTACHMENT A

CABLE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT

BY AND BETWEEN

THE VILLAGE OF NISSEQUOGUE

AND

VERIZON NEW YORK INC.

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Exhibit A: Municipal Buildings to be Provided Free Cable Service

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THIS CABLE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT (the "Franchise" or "Agreement") is entered into by and between the Incorporated Village of Nissequogue, a validly organized and existing political subdivision of the State of New York (the "Local Franchising Authority" or "LFA") and Verizon New York Inc., a corporation duly organized under the applicable laws of the State of New York (the "Franchisee").

WHEREAS, the LFA wishes to grant Franchisee a nonexclusive franchise to construct, install, maintain, extend and operate a cable system in the Franchise Area as designated in this Franchise;

WHEREAS, the LFA is a "franchising authority" in accordance with Title VI of the Communications Act, (see 47 U.S.C. §522(10)) and is authorized to grant one or more nonexclusive cable franchises pursuant to Article 11 of the New York Public Service Law, as amended, and Title 16, Chapter VIII, Parts 890.60 through 899, of the Official Compilation of Codes, Rules and Regulations of the State of New York, as amended;

WHEREAS, Franchisee is in the process of completing the upgrading of its existing telecommunications and information services network through the installation of a Fiber to the Premise Telecommunications Network ("FTTP Network") in the Franchise Area which transmits the Non-Cable Services pursuant to authority granted by Section 27 of the New York Transportation Corporations Law, as amended, and Title II of the Communications Act, which Non-Cable Services are not subject to the Cable Law or Title VI of the Communications Act;

WHEREAS, the FTTP Network will occupy the Public Rights-of-Way within the LFA, and Franchisee desires to use portions of the FTTP Network to provide Cable Services (as hereinafter defined) in the Franchise Area;

WHEREAS, the LFA has identified the future cable-related needs and interests of the LFA and its community, has considered and approved the financial, technical and legal qualifications of Franchisee, and has determined that Franchisee's plans for its Cable System are adequate and feasible in a full public proceeding affording due process to all parties;

WHEREAS, the LFA has found Franchisee to be financially, technically and legally qualified to operate the Cable System;

WHEREAS, the LFA has determined that in accordance with the provisions of the Cable Law, this Franchise complies with NY PSC's franchise standards and the grant of a nonexclusive franchise to Franchisee is consistent with the public interest; and

WHEREAS, the LFA and Franchisee have reached agreement on the terms and conditions set forth herein and the parties have agreed to be bound by those terms and conditions.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the LFA's grant of a franchise to Franchisee, Franchisee's promise to provide Cable Service to residents of the Franchise/Service Area of the LFA pursuant to and consistent with the Cable Law (as hereinafter defined), pursuant to the

terms and conditions set forth herein, the promises and undertakings herein, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and the adequacy of which are hereby acknowledged,

THE SIGNATORIES DO HEREBY AGREE AS FOLLOWS:

1. **DEFINITIONS**

Except as otherwise provided herein, the definitions and word usages set forth in the Cable Law are incorporated herein and shall apply in this Agreement. In addition, the following definitions shall apply:

- 1.1. Access Channel: A video Channel, which Franchisee shall make available to the LFA without charge for Public, Educational, or Governmental noncommercial use for the transmission of video programming as directed by the LFA.
- 1.2. Affiliate: Any Person who, directly or indirectly, owns or controls, is owned or controlled by, or is under common ownership or control with, the Franchisee.
- 1.3. Basic Service: Any service tier, which includes the retransmission of local television broadcast signals as well as the PEG Channels required by this Franchise.
- 1.4. Cable Law: Article 11 of the New York Public Service Law, as amended, and Title 16, Chapter VIII, Parts 890.60 through 899, of the Official Compilation of Codes, Rules and Regulations of the State of New York, as amended, to the extent authorized under and consistent with federal law.
- 1.5. Cable Service or Cable Services: Shall be defined herein as it is defined under Section 602 of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. § 522(6), as amended.
- 1.6. Cable System or System: Shall be defined herein as it is defined under Section 602 of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. § 522(7), as amended.
- 1.7. Channel: Shall be defined herein as it is defined under Section 602 of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. § 522(4), as amended.
 - 1.8. Communications Act: The Communications Act of 1934, as amended.
- 1.9. Control: The ability to exercise de facto or de jure control over day-to-day policies and operations or the management of Franchisee's affairs.
- 1.10. Educational Access Channel: An Access Channel available for noncommercial use solely by local public schools and public school districts in the Franchise Area and other not-for-profit educational institutions chartered or licensed by the New York State Department of Education or Board of Regents in the Franchise Area as specified by the LFA in Exhibit C to this Agreement.
- 1.11. FCC: The United States Federal Communications Commission, or successor governmental entity thereto.

- 1.12. Force Majeure: An event or events reasonably beyond the ability of Franchisee to anticipate and control. This includes, but is not limited to, severe or unusual weather conditions, strikes, labor disturbances and disputes, war or act of war (whether an actual declaration of war is made or not), insurrection, riots, act of public enemy, incidences of terrorism, acts of vandalism, actions or inactions of any government instrumentality or public utility including condemnation, accidents for which the Franchisee is not primarily responsible, fire, flood, or other acts of God, or work delays caused by waiting for utility providers to service or monitor utility poles to which Franchisee's FTTP Network is attached, and unavailability of materials and/or qualified labor to perform the work necessary.
- 1.13. Franchise Area: The incorporated area (entire existing territorial limits) of the LFA.
- 1.14. Franchisee: Verizon New York Inc. and its lawful and permitted successors, assigns and transferees.
- 1.15. Government Access Channel: An Access Channel available for the sole noncommercial use of the LFA.
- 1.16. *Gross Revenue*: All revenue, as determined in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, which is derived by Franchisee from the operation of the Cable System to provide Cable Service in the Service Area.

Gross Revenue includes, without limitation: all Subscriber and customer revenues earned or accrued net of bad debts including revenue for: (i) Basic Service; (ii) all fees charged to any Subscribers for any and all Cable Service provided by Franchisee over the Cable System in the Service Area, including without limitation Cable Service related program guides, the installation, disconnection or reconnection of Cable Service; revenues from late or delinquent charge fees; Cable Service related or repair calls; the provision of converters, remote controls, additional outlets and/or other Cable Service related Subscriber premises equipment, whether by lease or fee; (iii) video-on-demand and pay-per-view; (iv) revenues from the sale or lease of access channel(s) or channel capacity; and (v) compensation received by Franchisee that is derived from the operation of Franchisee's Cable System to provide Cable Service with respect to commissions that are paid to Franchisee as compensation for promotion or exhibition of any products or services on the Cable System, such as "home shopping" or a similar channel, subject to the exceptions below. Gross Revenue includes a pro rata portion of all revenue derived by Franchisee pursuant to compensation arrangements for advertising derived from the operation of Franchisee's Cable System to provide Cable Service within the Service Area, subject to the exceptions below. The allocation shall be based on the number of Subscribers in the Service Area divided by the total number of subscribers in relation to the relevant local, regional or national compensation arrangement. Advertising commissions paid to third parties shall not be netted against advertising revenue included in Gross Revenue.

Gross Revenue shall not include: Franchise Fees imposed on Franchisee by the LFA that are passed through from Franchisee as a line item paid by Subscribers; Revenues received by any Affiliate or other Person in exchange for supplying goods or services used by Franchisee to provide Cable Service over the Cable System; bad debts written off by Franchisee

in the normal course of its business (provided, however, that bad debt recoveries shall be included in Gross Revenue during the period collected); refunds, rebates or discounts made to Subscribers or other third parties; any revenues classified, in whole or in part, as Non-Cable Services revenue under federal or state law including, without limitation, revenue received from Telecommunications Services; revenue received from Information Services, including, without limitation, Internet Access service, electronic mail service, electronic bulletin board service, or similar online computer services; charges made to the public for commercial or cable television that is used for two-way communication; and any other revenues attributed by Franchisee to Non-Cable Services in accordance with federal law, rules, regulations, standards or orders; any revenue of Franchisee or any other Person which is received directly from the sale of merchandise through any Cable Service distributed over the Cable System, however, that portion of such revenue which represents or can be attributed to a Subscriber fee or a payment for the use of the Cable System for the sale of such merchandise shall be included in Gross Revenue; the sale of Cable Services on the Cable System for resale in which the purchaser is required to collect cable Franchise Fees from purchaser's customer; the sale of Cable Services to customers, which are exempt, as required or allowed by the LFA including, without limitation, the provision of Cable Services to public institutions as required or permitted herein; any tax of general applicability imposed upon Franchisee or upon Subscribers by a city, state, federal or any other governmental entity and required to be collected by Franchisee and remitted to the taxing entity (including, but not limited to, sales/use tax, gross receipts tax, excise tax, utility users tax, public service tax, communication taxes and non-cable franchise fees); any foregone revenue which Franchisee chooses not to receive in exchange for its provision of free or reduced cost cable or other communications services to any Person, including without limitation, employees of Franchisee and public institutions or other institutions designated in the Franchise (provided, however, that such foregone revenue which Franchisee chooses not to receive in exchange for trades, barters, services or other items of value shall be included in Gross Revenue); sales of capital assets or sales of surplus equipment; program launch fees, i.e., reimbursement by programmers to Franchisee of marketing costs incurred by Franchisee for the introduction of new programming; directory or Internet advertising revenue including, but not limited to, yellow page, white page, banner advertisement and electronic publishing; or any fees or charges collected from Subscribers or other third parties for any PEG Grant payments.

- 1.17. Information Services: Shall be defined herein as it is defined under Section 3 of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. §153(20), as amended.
- 1.18. *Internet Access*: Dial-up or broadband access service that enables Subscribers to access the Internet.
- 1.19. Local Franchise Authority (LFA): The Village of Nissequogue New York, or the lawful successor, transferee, or assignee thereof.
- 1.20. Non-Cable Services: Any service that does not constitute the provision of Video Programming directly to multiple Subscribers in the Franchise Area including, but not limited to, Information Services and Telecommunications Services.

- 1.21. Normal Business Hours: Those hours during which most similar businesses in the community are open to serve customers. In all cases, "normal business hours" must include some evening hours at least one night per week and/or some weekend hours.
 - 1.22. NY PSC: The New York Public Service Commission.
 - 1.23. *PEG*: Public, Educational, and Governmental.
- 1.24. *Person*: An individual, partnership, association, joint stock company, trust, corporation, or governmental entity.
- 1.25. Public Access Channel: An Access Channel available for noncommercial use solely by the residents in the Franchise Area on a first-come, first-served, nondiscriminatory basis.
- 1.26. Public Rights-of-Way: The surface and the area across, in, over, along, upon and below the surface of the public streets, roads, bridges, sidewalks, lanes, courts, ways, alleys, and boulevards, including, public utility easements and public lands and waterways used as Public Rights-of-Way, as the same now or may thereafter exist, which are under the jurisdiction or control of the LFA. Public Rights-of-Way do not include the airwaves above a right-of-way with regard to cellular or other nonwire communications or broadcast services.
- 1.27. Service Area: All portions of the Franchise Area where Cable Service is being offered, as described in **Exhibit B** attached hereto.
- 1.28. Subscriber: A Person who lawfully receives Cable Service over the Cable System with Franchisee's express permission.
- 1.29. Telecommunication Services: Shall be defined herein as it is defined under Section 3 of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. § 153(46), as amended.
- 1.30. Title VI: Title VI of the Communications Act, Cable Communications, as amended.
 - 1.31. Transfer of the Franchise:
 - 1.31.1. Any transaction in which:
- 1.31.1.1. a fifty percent ownership or other interest in Franchisee is transferred, directly or indirectly, from one Person or group of Persons to another Person or group of Persons, so that Control of Franchisee is transferred; or
- 1.31.1.2. the rights held by Franchisee under the Franchise and the certificate of confirmation issued therefor by the NY PSC are transferred or assigned to another Person or group of Persons.
- 1.31.2. However, notwithstanding Sub-subsections 1.33.1.1 and 1.33.1.2 above, a *Transfer of the Franchise* shall not include transfer of an ownership or other interest in

Franchisee to the parent of Franchisee or to another Affiliate of Franchisee; transfer of an interest in the Franchise or the rights held by the Franchisee under the Franchise to the parent of Franchisee or to another Affiliate of Franchisee; any action which is the result of a merger of the parent of the Franchisee; or any action which is the result of a merger of another Affiliate of the Franchisee.

1.32. Video Programming: Shall be defined herein as it is defined under Section 602 of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. § 522(20), as amended.

2. GRANT OF AUTHORITY; LIMITS AND RESERVATIONS

- 2.1. Grant of Authority: Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement and the Cable Law, the LFA hereby grants the Franchisee the right to own, construct, operate and maintain a Cable System along the Public Rights-of-Way within the Franchise Area, in order to provide Cable Service. No privilege or power of eminent domain is bestowed by this grant; nor is such a privilege or power bestowed by this Agreement.
- 2.2. The FTTP Network: Upon delivery of Cable Service, by subjecting Franchisee's mixed-use facilities to the NY PSC's minimum franchise standards and the LFA's police power, the LFA has not been granted broad new authority over the construction, placement and operation of Franchisee's mixed-use facilities; provided however, that nothing herein shall be construed to limit any existing authority that the LFA may have with respect to the Franchisee's mixed use facilities pursuant to Title II of the communications Act, Section 27 of the Transportation Corporations Law, and lawful and applicable local laws, including any lawful right to compel relocation of such facilities in the event of road-widenings and other similar adjustments to the Public-Rights-of-Way.
- 2.3. Effective Date and Term: This Franchise shall become effective on the date that the NY PSC issues a certificate of confirmation for this Franchise (the "Effective Date"), following its approval by the LFA's governing authority authorized to grant franchises and its acceptance by the Franchisee. The term of this Franchise shall be fifteen (15) years from the Effective Date unless the Franchise is earlier revoked as provided herein. The Franchisee shall memorialize the Effective Date by notifying the LFA in writing of the same, which notification shall become a part of this Franchise.
- 2.4. Grant Not Exclusive: The Franchise and the rights granted herein to use and occupy the Public Rights-of-Way to provide Cable Services shall not be exclusive, and the LFA reserves the right to grant other franchises for similar uses or for other uses of the Public Rights-of-Way, or any portions thereof, to any Person, or to make any such use itself, at any time during the term of this Franchise. Any such rights which are granted shall not adversely impact the authority as granted under this Franchise and shall not interfere with existing facilities of the Cable System or Franchisee's FTTP Network.
- 2.5. Franchise Subject to Federal Law and State Law: Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary herein, this Franchise is subject to and shall be governed by all applicable provisions of federal and state law as it may be amended, including but not limited to the Communications Act.

2.6. No Waiver:

- 2.6.1. The failure of the LFA on one or more occasions to exercise a right under this Franchise, the Cable Law or other applicable state or federal law, or to require compliance or performance under this Franchise, shall not be deemed to constitute a waiver of such right or a waiver of compliance or performance of this Agreement, nor shall it excuse Franchisee from compliance or performance, unless such right or such compliance or performance has been specifically waived in writing.
- 2.6.2. The failure of the Franchisee on one or more occasions to exercise a right under this Franchise, the Cable Law or other applicable state or federal law, or to require performance under this Franchise, shall not be deemed to constitute a waiver of such right or a waiver of performance of this Agreement, nor shall it excuse the LFA from performance, unless such right or such performance has been specifically waived in writing.

2.7. Construction of Agreement:

- 2.7.1. The provisions of this Franchise shall be liberally construed to effectuate their objectives.
- 2.7.2. Nothing herein shall be construed to limit the scope or applicability of Section 625 of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. § 545, as amended.
- 2.7.3. Should any change to state law, rules or regulations have the lawful effect of materially altering the terms and conditions of this Franchise, then the parties shall modify this Franchise to the mutual satisfaction of both parties to ameliorate the negative effects on the Franchisee of the material alteration. Any modification to this Franchise shall be in writing and shall be subject to Section 222 of the New York Public Service Law and Title 16, Chapter VIII, Part 892, Subpart 892-1, Section 892-1.4 of the Official Compilation of Codes, Rules and Regulations of the State of New York requiring application to the NY PSC and approval of any modification. If the parties cannot reach agreement on the above-referenced modification to the Franchise, then Franchisee may terminate this Agreement without further obligation to the LFA or, at Franchisee's option, the parties agree to submit the matter to binding arbitration in accordance with the commercial arbitration rules of the American Arbitration Association.
- 2.8. Police Powers: The LFA shall not enact any local laws that are inconsistent with this Franchise, provided, however, that nothing in this Franchise shall be construed to prohibit the reasonable, necessary and lawful exercise of the police powers of the LFA including, without limitation, in addition to the implementation and enforcement of the provisions of this Agreement and existing applicable laws and regulations, the enactment, adoption, implementation and enforcement of such additional laws and regulations as the LFA may deem necessary in the exercise of its police power; provided, however, that such laws and regulations are reasonable, not materially in conflict with the privileges granted in this Franchise and consistent with all federal and state laws, regulations and orders.

- 2.9. Restoration of Municipal Property: Any municipal property damaged or destroyed shall be promptly repaired or replaced by the Franchisee and restored to preexisting condition.
- 2.10 Restoration of Subscriber Property: The Franchisee shall ensure that non-municipal property is promptly repaired or replaced by the Franchisee and restored to its preexisting condition if damaged by the Franchisee's employees or agents in any respect in connection with the installation, repair, or disconnection of Cable Service.

3. PROVISION OF CABLE SERVICE

3.1. Service Area:

- 3.1.1. Service Area: Subject to the issuance of all necessary permits by the LFA, Franchisee shall offer Cable Service to significant numbers of Subscribers within residential areas of the Service Area and may make Cable Service available to businesses in the Service Area, within twelve (12) months and shall offer Cable Service to all residential areas of the Service Area within five (5) years, of the Effective Date of this Franchise, or, in both instances, such longer period as may be permitted by the Cable Law, except, in accordance with NY PSC rules and regulations: (A) for periods of Force Majeure; (B) for periods of delay caused by the LFA; (C) for periods of delay resulting from Franchisee's inability to obtain authority to access rights-of-way in the Service Area; (D) in areas where developments or buildings are subject to claimed exclusive arrangements with other providers; (E) in areas, developments or buildings where Franchisee cannot gain access after good faith efforts, and (F) in areas, developments or buildings where the provision of Cable Service is economically infeasible because such provision requires nonstandard facilities which are not available on a commercially reasonable basis, and (G) in areas where the occupied residential household density does not meet the density and other requirements set forth in Sub-Subsection 3.1.1.1. and Section 3.2.
- 3.1.1.1. Density Requirement: Franchisee shall make Cable Services available to residential dwelling units in all areas of the Service Area where the average density is equal to or greater than 25 occupied residential dwelling units per mile as measured in strand footage from the nearest technically feasible point on the active FTTP Network trunk or feeder line. Should, through new construction, an area within the Service Area meet the density requirements after the time stated for providing Cable Service as set forth in Subsection 3.1.1, Franchisee shall provide Cable Service to such area within twelve (12) months of receiving notice from the LFA that the density requirements have been met.
- 3.2. Availability of Cable Service: Franchisee shall make Cable Service available to all residential dwelling units and may make Cable Service available to businesses within the Service Area in conformance with Section 3.1, and Franchisee shall not discriminate between or among any individuals in the availability of Cable Service or based upon the income in a local area. In the areas in which Franchisee shall provide Cable Service, Franchisee shall be required to connect, at Franchisee's expense, other than a standard installation charge, all residential dwelling units that are within two hundred fifty (250) feet of existing aerial or underground trunk or feeder lines not otherwise already served by Franchisee's FTTP Network. Franchisee shall be allowed to recover, from a Subscriber that requests such connection, the

actual costs incurred for residential dwelling unit connections that exceed two hundred fifty (250) feet or are in an area with a density of less than 25 occupied residential dwelling units per mile and the actual costs incurred to connect any non-residential dwelling unit Subscriber, provided, however, that Franchisee may seek a waiver of any requirement that it extend service to any party requesting the same in an area with a density of less than 25 occupied residential dwelling units per mile if such would not be possible within the limitations of economic feasibility. For installations over two hundred fifty (250) from the trunk or feeder lines, Franchisee shall submit such actual costs to said Subscriber in writing, before installation is begun.

- 3.3. Cable Service to Public Buildings: Subject to Section 3.1, Franchisee shall provide, without charge within the Service Area, one service outlet activated for Basic Service to each public school and public library, and such other buildings used for municipal purposes as may be designated by the LFA as provided in **Exhibit A** attached hereto; provided, however, that if it is necessary to extend Franchisee's aerial trunk or feeder lines more than five hundred (500) feet solely to provide service to any such school or public building, the LFA shall have the option either of paying Franchisee's direct costs for such aerial extension in excess of five hundred (500) feet, or of releasing Franchisee from the obligation to provide service to such school or public building. Furthermore, Franchisee shall be permitted to recover, from any school or public building owner entitled to free service, the direct cost of installing, when requested to do so, more than one outlet, or concealed inside wiring, or a service outlet requiring more than five hundred (500) feet of drop cable; provided, however, that Franchisee shall not charge for the provision of Basic Service to the additional service outlets once installed. For underground installations, Franchisee shall charge the recipient Franchisee's actual cost. Such costs shall be submitted to said recipient in writing, before installation is begun. Cable Service may not be resold or otherwise used in contravention of Franchisee's rights with third parties respecting programming. Equipment provided by Franchisee, if any, shall be replaced at retail rates if lost, stolen or damaged.
- 3.4. Contribution in Aid: Notwithstanding the foregoing, Franchisee shall comply at all times, with the requirements of Section 895.5 of NY PSC rules and regulations.

4. SYSTEM FACILITIES

- 4.1. Quality of Materials and Work: Franchisee shall construct and maintain its System using materials of good and durable quality, and all work involved in the construction, installation, maintenance and repair of the Cable System shall be performed in a safe, thorough and reliable manner.
- 4.2. System Characteristics: During the term hereof Franchisee's Cable System shall meet or exceed the following requirements:
- 4.2.1. The System shall be designed and operated with an initial analog and digital carrier passband between 50 and 860 MHz and shall provide for a minimum channel capacity of not less than 77 channels on the Effective Date.

- 4.2.2. The System shall be designed to be an active two-way plant for subscriber interaction, if any, required for the selection or use of Cable Service.
- 4.3. *Interconnection:* The Franchisee shall design its Cable System so that it may be interconnected with other cable systems in the Franchise Area. Interconnection of systems may be made by direct cable connection, microwave link, satellite, or other appropriate methods.
- 4.4. Emergency Alert System: Franchisee shall comply with the Emergency Alert System ("EAS") requirements of the FCC and the State of New York, including the NY PSC's rules and regulations and the current New York EAS Plan, in order that emergency messages may be distributed over the System.

5. **PEG SERVICES**

5.1. PEG Set Aside:

- 5.1.1. In order to insure universal availability of public, educational, and government programming, Franchisee shall provide the LFA with access to PEG services, pursuant to applicable NY PSC rules and regulations.
- 5.1.2. The programming to be carried on each of the PEG Channels set aside by Franchisee is reflected in **Exhibit C** attached hereto. The LFA hereby authorizes Franchisee to transmit such programming within and without LFA jurisdictional boundaries. Franchisee specifically reserves the right to make or change channel assignments in its sole discretion. If a PEG Channel provided under this Article is not being utilized by the LFA, Franchisee may utilize such PEG Channel, in its sole discretion, until such time as the LFA elects to utilize the PEG Channel for its intended purpose. In the event that the LFA determines to use PEG capacity, the LFA shall provide Franchisee with prior written notice of such request in accordance with NY PSC rules and regulations.
- 5.1.3. Franchisee shall provide the technical ability to play back prerecorded programming provided to Franchisee consistent with this Section. Franchisee shall transmit programming consistent with the dedicated uses of PEG Access Channels. Franchisee shall comply at all times with the requirements of Section 895.4 of the NY PSC rules and regulations.
- 5.2. Indemnity for PEG: The LFA shall require all local producers and users of any of the PEG facilities or Channels to agree in writing to authorize Franchisee to transmit programming consistent with this Agreement and to defend and hold harmless Franchisee and the LFA from and against any and all liability or other injury, including the reasonable cost of defending claims or litigation, arising from or in connection with claims for failure to comply with applicable federal laws, rules, regulations or other requirements of local, state or federal authorities; for claims of libel, slander, invasion of privacy, or the infringement of common law or statutory copyright; for unauthorized use of any trademark, trade name or service mark; for breach of contractual or other obligations owing to third parties by the producer or user; and for any other injury or damage in law or equity, which result from the use of a PEG facility or

Channel. The LFA shall establish rules and regulations for use of PEG facilities, consistent with, and as required by, 47 U.S.C. §531.

5.3. Recovery of Costs: To the extent permitted by federal law, the Franchisee shall be allowed to recover the costs arising from the provision of PEG services from Subscribers and to include such costs as a separately billed line item on each Subscriber's bill. Without limiting the forgoing, if allowed under state and federal laws, Franchisee may externalize, lineitem, or otherwise pass-through interconnection and any franchise-related costs to Subscribers.

6. **FRANCHISE FEES**

- 6.1. Payment to LFA: Franchisee shall pay no Franchise Fee to the LFA; provided, however, that at such time as the LFA requires all Cable Service providers in the Service Area to pay a Franchise Fee of up to five percent (5%) of annual Gross Revenue (the "Franchise Fee"), the LFA shall be entitled, after notification to Franchisee, to amend this Franchisee in the manner prescribed herein to require Franchisee to pay such amount and Franchisee agrees to pay such amount on going forward basis, following the issuance of an order from the NY PSC approving such amendment. Such payments shall be made no later than forty-five (45) days following the end of each calendar quarter. Franchisee shall be allowed to submit or correct any payments that were incorrectly omitted, and shall be refunded any payments that were incorrectly submitted, in connection with the quarterly Franchise Fee remittances within ninety (90) days following the close of the calendar year for which such payments were applicable.
- 6.2. Supporting Information: Each Franchise Fee payment shall be accompanied by a brief report prepared by a representative of Franchisee showing the basis for the computation.
- 6.3. Limitation on Franchise Fee Actions: The parties agree that the period of limitation for recovery of any Franchise Fee payable hereunder shall be six (6) years from the date on which payment by Franchisee is due, but cannot exceed the date of records retention reflected in Section 7.
- 6.4. Bundled Services: If Cable Services subject to the Franchise Fee required under this Article 6 are provided to Subscribers in conjunction with Non-Cable Services, the Franchise Fee shall be applied only to the value of the Cable Services, as reflected on the books and records of Franchisee in accordance with FCC or state public utility regulatory commission rules, regulations, standards or orders. The parties agree that tariffed telecommunication service rates that cannot be discounted by law or by regulation are to be excluded from the bundled discount allocation basis. Where pro rata allocation of bundled discounts is commercially practical for any bundled offering, the Franchisee will allocate the bundled discount such that the discount allocated to Cable Service revenues will not exceed the amount which would be allocated to Cable Service revenue on a pro rata basis.

7. **REPORTS AND RECORDS**

Open Books and Records: Upon reasonable written notice to the Franchisee and with no less than thirty (30) business days written notice to the Franchisee, the LFA shall have the right to inspect Franchisee's books and records pertaining to Franchisee's provision of Cable Service in the Franchise Area at any time during Normal Business Hours and on a nondisruptive basis, as are reasonably necessary to ensure compliance with the terms of this Franchise. Such notice shall specifically reference the section or subsection of the Franchise which is under review, so that Franchisee may organize the necessary books and records for appropriate access by the LFA. Franchisee shall not be required to maintain any books and records for Franchise compliance purposes longer than six (6) years. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth herein, Franchisee shall not be required to disclose information that it reasonably deems to be proprietary or confidential in nature, nor disclose any of its or an Affiliate's books and records not relating to the provision of Cable Service in the Service Area. The LFA shall treat any information disclosed by Franchisee as confidential and shall only disclose it to employees, representatives, and agents thereof who have a need to know, or in order to enforce the provisions hereof. Franchisee shall not be required to provide Subscriber information in violation of Section 631 of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. §551.

7.2. Records Required: Franchisee shall at all times maintain:

- 7.2.1. Records of all written complaints for a period of six (6) years after receipt by Franchisee. The term "complaint" as used herein refers to complaints about any aspect of the Cable System or Franchisee's cable operations, including, without limitation, complaints about employee courtesy. Complaints recorded will not be limited to complaints requiring an employee service call;
- 7.2.2. Records of outages for a period of six (6) years after occurrence, indicating date, duration, area, and the number of Subscribers affected, type of outage, and cause;
- 7.2.3. Records of service calls for repair and maintenance for a period of six (6) years after resolution by Franchisee, indicating the date and time service was required, the date of acknowledgment and date and time service was scheduled (if it was scheduled), and the date and time service was provided, and (if different) the date and time the problem was resolved;
- 7.2.4. Records of installation/reconnection and requests for service extension for a period of six (6) years after the request was fulfilled by Franchisee, indicating the date of request, date of acknowledgment, and the date and time service was extended; and
- 7.2.5. A map showing the area of coverage for the provisioning of Cable Services and estimated timetable to commence providing Cable Service.
- 7.3. System-Wide Statistics: Any valid reporting requirement in the Franchise may be satisfied with system-wide statistics, except those related to Franchise Fees and consumer complaints.

7.4. Performance Review: The LFA may, at its discretion but not more than once per twelve-month period, hold an informal performance evaluation session (the "Performance Review") that is not open to the public to review Franchisee's compliance with the terms and conditions of this Franchise. The information disclosed to the LFA by the Franchisee at the Performance Review shall be treated by the LFA as confidential. The LFA shall provide Franchisee with at least thirty (30) days prior written notice of the Performance Review to be held at a mutually agreeable time. Franchisee shall have the opportunity to participate in and be heard at the Performance Review. Within thirty (30) days after the conclusion of the Performance Review, the LFA shall provide Franchisee written documentation ("Performance Review Report") setting forth its determinations regarding Franchisee's compliance with the terms and conditions of this Franchise. The Performance Review Report shall not contain any confidential information disclosed by the Franchisee during the Performance Review.

8. INSURANCE AND INDEMNIFICATION

8.1. *Insurance*:

- 8.1.1. Franchisee shall maintain in full force and effect, at its own cost and expense, during the Franchise Term, the following insurance coverage:
- 8.1.1.1. Commercial General Liability Insurance in the amount of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) combined single limit for property damage and bodily injury. Such insurance shall cover the construction, operation and maintenance of the Cable System, and the conduct of Franchisee's Cable Service business in the LFA.
- 8.1.1.2. Automobile Liability Insurance in the amount of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) combined single limit for bodily injury and property damage coverage.
- 8.1.1.3. Workers' Compensation Insurance meeting all legal requirements of the State of New York.
- 8.1.1.4. Employers' Liability Insurance in the following amounts: (A) Bodily Injury by Accident: \$100,000; and (B) Bodily Injury by Disease: \$100,000 employee limit; \$500,000 policy limit.
- 8.1.1.5. Excess liability or umbrella coverage of not less than ten million dollars (\$10,000,000).
- 8.1.2. The LFA shall be designated as an additional insured under each of the insurance policies required in this Article 8 except Worker's Compensation Insurance and Employer's Liability Insurance.
- 8.1.3. Each of the required insurance policies shall be noncancellable except upon thirty (30) days prior written notice to the LFA. Franchisee shall not cancel any required insurance policy without submitting documentation to the LFA verifying that the Franchisee has obtained alternative insurance in conformance with this Agreement.

- 8.1.4. Each of the required insurance policies shall be with sureties qualified to do business in the State of New York, with an A- or better rating for financial condition and financial performance by Best's Key Rating Guide, Property/Casualty Edition.
- 8.1.5. Upon written request, Franchisee shall deliver to the LFA Certificates of Insurance showing evidence of the required coverage.

8.2. *Indemnification*:

- 8.2.1. Franchisee agrees to indemnify the LFA, the Village of Nissequogue Board of Trustees, its officers, its agents or employees for, and hold it harmless from, all liability, damage, cost or expense arising from claims of injury to persons or damage to property occasioned by reason of any conduct undertaken pursuant to the Franchise, or by reason of any suit or claim for royalties, programming license fees or infringement of patent rights arising out of Franchisee's provision of Cable Services over the Cable System other than PEG facilities and Channels, provided that the LFA shall give Franchisee written notice of the LFA's request for indemnification within ten (10) days of receipt of a claim or action pursuant to this Subsection. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Franchisee shall not indemnify the LFA for any damages, liability or claims resulting from the willful misconduct or negligence of the LFA, its officers, agents, employees, attorneys, consultants, independent contractors or third parties or for any activity or function conducted by any Person other than Franchisee in connection with PEG Access or EAS.
- 8.2.2. With respect to Franchisee's indemnity obligations set forth in Subsection 8.2.1, Franchisee shall provide the defense of any claims brought against the LFA by selecting counsel of Franchisee's choice to defend the claim, subject to the consent of the LFA, which shall not be unreasonably withheld. Nothing herein shall be deemed to prevent the LFA from cooperating with the Franchisee and participating in the defense of any litigation by its own counsel at its own cost and expense, provided however, that after consultation with the LFA, Franchisee shall have the right to defend, settle or compromise any claim or action arising hereunder, and Franchisee shall have the authority to decide the appropriateness and the amount of any such settlement. In the event that the terms of any such proposed settlement includes the release of the LFA and the LFA does not consent to the terms of any such settlement or compromise, Franchisee shall not settle the claim or action but its obligation to indemnify the LFA shall in no event exceed the amount of such settlement.
- 8.2.3. The LFA shall hold harmless and defend Franchisee from and against and shall be responsible for damages, liability or claims resulting from or arising out of the willful misconduct or negligence of the LFA.
- 8.2.4. The LFA shall be responsible for its own acts of willful misconduct, negligence, or breach, subject to any and all defenses and limitations of liability provided by law. The Franchisee shall not be required to indemnify the LFA for acts of the LFA which constitute willful misconduct or negligence on the part of the LFA, its officers, employees, agents, attorneys, consultants, independent contractors or third parties.

9. TRANSFER OF FRANCHISE

9.1. Transfer: Subject to Section 617 of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. § 537, as amended, no Transfer of the Franchise shall occur without the prior consent of the LFA, provided that such consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, delayed or conditioned. In considering an application for the Transfer of the Franchise, the LFA may consider the applicant's: (i) technical ability; (ii) financial ability; (iii) good character; and (iv) other qualifications necessary to continue to operate the Cable System consistent with the terms of the Franchise. No such consent shall be required, however, for a transfer in trust, by mortgage, by other hypothecation, by assignment of any rights, title, or interest of the Franchisee in the Franchise or Cable System in order to secure indebtedness, or for transactions otherwise excluded under Section 1.33 above.

10. RENEWAL OF FRANCHISE

- 10.1. Governing Law: The LFA and Franchisee agree that any proceedings undertaken by the LFA that relate to the renewal of this Franchise shall be governed by and comply with the provisions of Section 12.12 below, the Cable Law and Section 626 of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. § 546, as amended.
- 10.2. Needs Assessment: In addition to the procedures set forth in Section 626 of the Communications Act, the LFA shall notify Franchisee of all of its assessments regarding the identity of future cable-related community needs and interests, as well as the past performance of Franchisee under the then current Franchise term. Such assessments shall be provided to Franchisee by the LFA promptly so that Franchisee will have adequate time to submit a proposal under 47 U.S.C. § 546 and complete renewal of the Franchise prior to expiration of its term.
- 10.3. Informal Negotiations: Notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth herein, Franchisee and the LFA agree that at any time during the term of the then current Franchise, while affording the public appropriate notice and opportunity to comment, the LFA and Franchisee may agree to undertake and finalize informal negotiations regarding renewal of the then current Franchise and the LFA may grant a renewal thereof.
- 10.4. Consistent Terms: Franchisee and the LFA consider the terms set forth in this Article 10 to be consistent with the express provisions of 47 U.S.C. § 546 and the Cable Law.

11. ENFORCEMENT AND TERMINATION OF FRANCHISE

11.1. *Notice of Violation*: If at any time the LFA believes that Franchisee has not complied with the terms of the Franchise, the LFA shall informally discuss the matter with Franchisee. If these discussions do not lead to resolution of the problem in a reasonable time, the LFA shall then notify Franchisee in writing of the exact nature of the alleged noncompliance in a reasonable time (for purposes of this Article, the "Noncompliance Notice").

- days from receipt of the Noncompliance Notice to: (i) respond to the LFA, if Franchisee contests (in whole or in part) the assertion of noncompliance; (ii) cure such noncompliance; or (iii) in the event that, by its nature, such noncompliance cannot be cured within such sixty (60) day period, initiate reasonable steps to remedy such noncompliance and notify the LFA of the steps being taken and the date by which Franchisee projects that it will complete cure of such noncompliance. Upon cure of any noncompliance, the LFA shall provide written confirmation that such cure has been effected.
- 11.3. Public Hearing: The LFA shall schedule a public hearing if the LFA seeks to continue its investigation into the alleged noncompliance (i) if Franchisee fails to respond to the Noncompliance Notice pursuant to the procedures required by this Article, or (ii) if Franchisee has not remedied the alleged noncompliance within sixty (60) days or the date projected pursuant to Section 11.2(iii) above. The LFA shall provide Franchisee at least sixty (60) business days prior written notice of such public hearing, which will specify the time, place and purpose of such public hearing, and provide Franchisee the opportunity to be heard.
- 11.4. *Enforcement*: Subject to Section 12.12 below and applicable federal and state law, in the event the LFA, after the public hearing set forth in Section 11.3, determines that Franchisee is in default of any provision of this Franchise, the LFA may:
- 11.4.1. Seek specific performance of any provision, which reasonably lends itself to such remedy, as an alternative to damages; or
- 11.4.2. Commence an action at law for monetary damages or seek other equitable relief; or
- 11.4.3. In the case of a substantial noncompliance with a material provision of this Franchise, seek to revoke the Franchise in accordance with Section 11.5.
- 11.5. Revocation: Should the LFA seek to revoke this Franchise after following the procedures set forth above in this Article, including the public hearing described in Section 11.3, the LFA shall give written notice to Franchisee of such intent. The notice shall set forth the specific nature of the noncompliance. The Franchisee shall have ninety (90) days from receipt of such notice to object in writing and to state its reasons for such objection. In the event the LFA has not received a satisfactory response from Franchisee, it may then seek termination of the Franchise at a second public hearing. The LFA shall cause to be served upon the Franchisee, at least thirty (30) business days prior to such public hearing, a written notice specifying the time and place of such hearing and stating its intent to revoke the Franchise.
- 11.5.1. At the designated public hearing, Franchisee shall be provided a fair opportunity for full participation, including the rights to be represented by legal counsel, to introduce relevant evidence, to require the production of evidence, to compel the relevant testimony of the officials, agents, employees or consultants of the LFA, to compel the testimony of other persons as permitted by law, and to question and/or cross examine witnesses. A complete verbatim record and transcript shall be made of such hearing.

- 11.5.2. Following the second public hearing, Franchisee shall be provided up to thirty (30) days to submit its proposed findings and conclusions to the LFA in writing and thereafter the LFA shall determine (i) whether an event of default has occurred under this Franchise; (ii) whether such event of default is excusable; and (iii) whether such event of default has been cured or will be cured by the Franchisee. The LFA shall also determine whether it will revoke the Franchise based on the information presented, or, where applicable, grant additional time to the Franchisee to effect any cure. If the LFA determines that it will revoke the Franchise, the LFA shall promptly provide Franchisee with a written determination setting forth the LFA's reasoning for such revocation. Franchisee may appeal such written determination of the LFA to an appropriate court, which shall have the power to review the decision of the LFA de novo. Franchisee shall be entitled to such relief as the court finds appropriate. Such appeal must be taken within sixty (60) days of Franchisee's receipt of the written determination of the LFA.
- 11.5.3. The LFA may, at its sole discretion, take any lawful action that it deems appropriate to enforce the LFA's rights under the Franchise in lieu of revocation of the Franchise.
- 11.6. Abandonment of Service: Franchisee shall not abandon any Cable Service or portion thereof without the LFA's prior written consent as provided in the Cable Law.

12. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

- 12.1. Actions of Parties: In any action by the LFA or Franchisee that is mandated or permitted under the terms hereof, such party shall act in a reasonable, expeditious, and timely manner. Furthermore, in any instance where approval or consent is required under the terms hereof, such approval or consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, delayed or conditioned.
- 12.2. Binding Acceptance: This Agreement shall bind and benefit the parties hereto and their respective heirs, beneficiaries, administrators, executors, receivers, trustees, successors and assigns, and the promises and obligations herein shall survive the expiration date hereof.
- 12.3. *Preemption:* In the event that federal or state law, rules, or regulations preempt a provision or limit the enforceability of a provision of this Agreement, the provision shall be read to be preempted to the extent, and for the time, but only to the extent and for the time, required by law. In the event such federal or state law, rule or regulation is subsequently repealed, rescinded, amended or otherwise changed so that the provision hereof that had been preempted is no longer preempted, such provision shall thereupon return to full force and effect, and shall thereafter be binding on the parties hereto, without the requirement of further action on the part of the LFA.
- 12.4. Force Majeure: Franchisee shall not be held in default under, or in noncompliance with, the provisions of the Franchise, nor suffer any enforcement or penalty relating to noncompliance or default, where such noncompliance or alleged defaults occurred or were caused by a Force Majeure.

- 12.4.1. Furthermore, the parties hereby agree that it is not the LFA's intention to subject Franchisee to penalties, fines, forfeitures or revocation of the Franchise for violations of the Franchise where the violation was a good faith error that resulted in no or minimal negative impact on Subscribers, or where strict performance would result in practical difficulties and hardship being placed upon Franchisee that outweigh the benefit to be derived by the LFA and/or Subscribers.
- 12.5. *Notices*: Unless otherwise expressly stated herein, notices required under the Franchise shall be mailed first class, postage prepaid, to the addressees below. Each party may change its designee by providing written notice to the other party.

12.5.1. Notices to Franchisee shall be mailed to:

Verizon New York Inc.
Jack White, Senior Vice President and General Counsel
Verizon Telecom
One Verizon Way
Room VC43E010
Basking Ridge, NJ 07920-1097

12.5.2. Notices to the LFA shall be mailed to:

Mayor Village of Nissequogue 631 Moriches Road St. James, New York 11780

12.5.3. with a copy to:

Eugene R. Barnosky, Esq. Lamb & Barnosky 534 Broadhollow Road, Suite 210 P.O. Box 9034 Melville, New York 11747

- 12.6. Entire Agreement: This Franchise and the Exhibits hereto constitute the entire agreement between Franchisee and the LFA and they supersede all prior or contemporaneous agreements, representations or understandings (whether written or oral) of the parties regarding the subject matter hereof. Any local laws or parts of local laws that materially conflict with the provisions of this Agreement are superseded by this Agreement.
- 12.7. Amendments and Modifications: Amendments and/or modifications to this Franchise shall be mutually agreed to in writing by the parties and subject to the approval of the NY PSC, pursuant to the Cable Law.

- 12.8. Captions: The captions and headings of articles and sections throughout this Agreement are intended solely to facilitate reading and reference to the articles, sections and provisions of this Agreement. Such captions shall not affect the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement.
- 12.9. Severability: If any section, subsection, sub-subsection, sentence, paragraph, term, or provision hereof is determined to be illegal, invalid, or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction or by any state or federal regulatory authority having jurisdiction thereof, such determination shall have no effect on the validity of any other section, subsection, sentence, paragraph, term or provision hereof, all of which will remain in full force and effect for the term of the Franchise.
- 12.10. *Recitals:* The recitals set forth in this Agreement are incorporated into the body of this Agreement as if they had been originally set forth herein.
- 12.11. FTTP Network Transfer Prohibition: Under no circumstance including, without limitation, upon expiration, revocation, termination, denial of renewal of the Franchise or any other action to forbid or disallow Franchisee from providing Cable Services, shall Franchisee or its assignees be required to sell any right, title, interest, use or control of any portion of Franchisee's FTTP Network including, without limitation, the Cable System and any capacity used for Cable Service or otherwise, to the LFA or any third party. Franchisee shall not be required to remove the FTTP Network or to relocate the FTTP Network or any portion thereof as a result of revocation, expiration, termination, denial of renewal or any other action to forbid or disallow Franchisee from providing Cable Services. This provision is not intended to contravene leased access requirements under Title VI or PEG requirements set out in this Agreement.
- 12.12. NY PSC Approval: This Franchise is subject to the approval of the NY PSC. Franchisee shall file an application for such approval with the NY PSC within sixty (60) days after the date hereof. Franchisee shall also file any necessary notices with the FCC.
- 12.13. Rates and Charges: The rates and charges for Cable Service provided pursuant to this Franchise shall be subject to regulation in accordance with federal law.
- 12.14. Publishing Information: LFA hereby requests that Franchisee omit publishing information specified in 47 C.F.R. § 76.952 from Subscriber bills.
- 12.15. Employment Practices: Franchisee will not refuse to hire, nor will it bar or discharge from employment, nor discriminate against any person in compensation or in terms, conditions, or privileges of employment because of age, race, creed, color, national origin, sex, or any protected category of persons under federal or state law.
- 12.16. Customer Service: Franchisee shall comply with the consumer protection and customer service standards set forth in Parts 890 and 896 of the NY PSC rules and regulations.

- 12.17. No Third Party Beneficiaries: Except as expressly provided in this Agreement, this Agreement is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits on behalf of any Person other than the parties to this Agreement.
- 12.18. LFA Official: The Mayor of the Village of Nissequogue is the LFA official that is responsible for the continuing administration of this Agreement.
- 12.19. No Waiver of LFA's Rights: Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, no provision of this Agreement shall be construed as a waiver of the LFA's rights under applicable federal and state law.

FORM AP

AGREED TO THIS A DAY OF AJGUST, 2007.

LFA:

VILLAGE OF NISSEQUOGUE

By: Jelling A. Smith

Verizon New York Inc.

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EXHIBITS

Exhibit A: Municipal Buildings to be Provided Free Cable Service

Exhibit B: Service Area

Exhibit C: PEG Channels

EXHIBIT A

MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS TO BE PROVIDED FREE CABLE SERVICE

Village Hall 631 Moriches Road St. James, NY 11780

Police Department 631 Moriches Road St. James, NY 11780

Nissequogue Fire Department 643 Moriches Road St. James, NY 11780

> The Knox School 541 Long Beach Road St. James, NY 11780

Justice Court 4 Woodhill Path St. James, NY 11780

EXHIBIT B

SERVICE AREA

A map of the Service Area is attached hereto.

The construction of the Franchisee's FTTP Network has been completed to approximately 52% of the current households in the Franchise Area. At present, Franchisee's anticipated schedule calls for 75% deployment by June 2007, 77% deployment by December 2007, 80% deployment by June 2008, 82% deployment by December 2008, 84% deployment by June 2019, 85% deployment by December 2010, 93% deployment by June 2011, 93% deployment by December 2011, and 100% deployment by June 2012. This schedule is subject to further review and modification by the Franchisee consistent with Section 895.5(b)(1) of the NY PSC rules and regulations; provided, however, that Franchisee shall provide notice to the LFA and the NY PSC of any material change in this schedule.

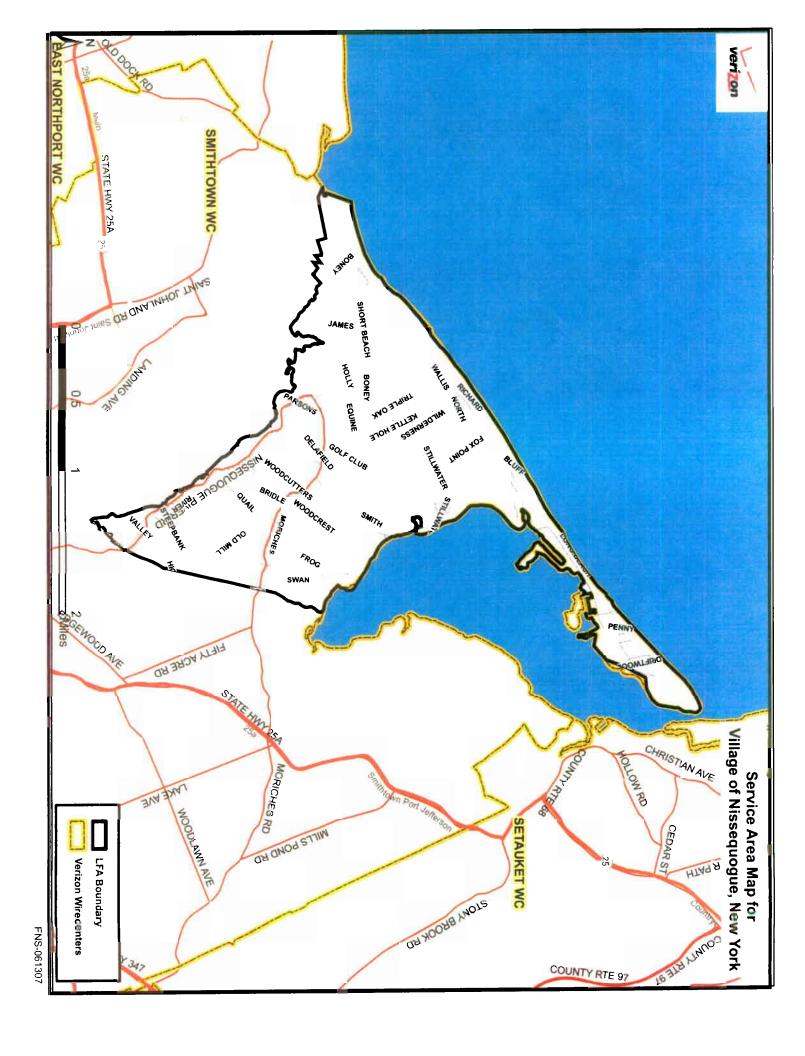


EXHIBIT C

PEG CHANNELS

Upon written request of the LFA, Franchisee shall make available on its Basic Service tier up to one (1) dedicated Public Access Channel, one (1) dedicated Educational Access Channel, and up to one (1) dedicated Government Access Channel.

ATTACHMENT B

Resolution

WHEREAS, that at a public hearing held on August 21, 2007 at Nissequogue Village Hall, 631 Moriches Road, St. James, New York, the Board of Trustees for the Incorporated Village of Nissequogue (the "Village") considered the application of Verizon New York, Inc. ("Verizon") for a cable television franchise and within the Village; and

WHEREAS, Verizon filed an application for a franchise and submitted a proposed contract with the Village; and

WHEREAS, the application and proposed contract were made available to the public and public comment has been made; and

WHEREAS, modifications have been made to the proposed Verizon contract; and

WHEREAS, the Trustees determined to vote on the proposed Verizon Franchise and proposed Verizon contract;

THEN, on motion of Trustee to approve and award Verizon a cable television franchise and approve the contract with Verizon, the Trustees voted in the following was:

Mayor Richard B. Smith
Trustee Robert P. Clemente
Trustee John T. Moore
Trustee Lawrence M. Kenney
Trustee James F. Donahue

Dated: August 21, 2007

Richard B. Smith, Mayor

ATTACHMENT C

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Affidavit of Publication

To: Village of Nissequogue 631 MORICHES ROAD St. James, NY 11780

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County of SUFFOLK }

I, Ann buschor, being duly sworn, depose and say: that I am the CLERK of The Smithtown News, a weekly newspaper of general circulation published in SMITHTOWN, County of SUFFOLK, State of NEW YORK; and that a notice, of which the annexed is a printed copy, was duly published in The Smithtown News once on 08/09/07.

Sworn to before me this 9th day of August, 2007

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ATTACHMENT D

DOCUMENTS SUBMITTED BY VERIZON AS PART OF, OR IN SUPPORT OF, ITS APPLICATION

- 1. 8/8/07 Correspondence from Verizon's outside counsel, Katrina Waiters of McGuireWoods LLP, to Village Clerk, Mary Jane Kinney, enclosing Verizon's application for a cable television franchise and proposed franchise agreement
- 2. 8/17/07 Correspondence from Verizon's Senior Vice President, Monica Azare, to Village Mayor, Richard Smith, regarding the August 21 public hearing and enclosing an information sheet outlining the benefits of Verizon FiOS TV service

Tab 1

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August 8, 2007

VIA FEDEX

Ms. Mary Jane Kinney Village Clerk Village of Nissequogue 631 Moriches Road St. James, NY 11780

Application of Verizon New York, Inc. for a Cable Television Franchise Re:

Dear Ms. Kinney:

Pursuant to the requirements of 16 N.Y.C.R.R. Section 894.5, please find enclosed the application of Verizon New York Inc. to the Village of Nissequogue for a cable television franchise.

Also enclosed is the proposed Cable Franchise Agreement by and between the Village of Nissequogue and Verizon New York Inc.

Please contact Diane Sherry at (617) 471-7242 or me at (212) 548-2136 should you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

Katrina C. Waiters

Enclosures

Eugene Barnosky, Esq., Village Attorney cc:

Verizon New York Inc.

APPLICATION FOR A CABLE TELEVISION FRANCHISE BY VERIZON NEW YORK INC.

Verizon New York Inc. ("Verizon NY") respectfully submits this application form ("Application") and requests the award of a cable television franchise from the Village of Nissequogue ("Municipality"). In this application, Verizon NY answers the questions set forth in Title 16, Chapter VIII, Part 894, Section 894.5, of the Official Compilation of Codes, Rules and Regulations of the State of New York, as amended.

(1) A description of the cable television system proposed to be constructed including information regarding (a) channel capacity, including both the total capability of the proposed system and the number of channels to be energized immediately; (b) television and radio broadcast signals which Verizon NY intends to carry on its system initially; (c) the extent and type of any origination cable casting to be undertaken, and the facilities, equipment and staff to be employed therein; and (d) the system layout or design, including where applicable: (i) location of antennae and headends; (ii) plans for a two-way capability including a proposed schedule indication when two-way capability will become available from particular points; (iii) location or origination points and origination facilities; (iv) extent and type of automated services to be provided; and (v) number of channels to be utilized for access cablecasting and the facilities, equipment, staff and other support to be available to access users including access utilization or production costs.

In response to the information requested in subsections 1(a) and (d)(i-ii), please see attached Exhibit 1, "Proposed Service Overview, Product Offers and Architecture." In response to question 1(b), please see the sample channel line up set forth in Exhibit 2, "Verizon FiOS TV – New York Area Channel Lineup."

In response to the information requested in subsection 1(c) and 1(d)(iii), Verizon NY does not currently plan to engage in origination cable casting.

In response to the information sought in subsection 1(d)(v), upon request of the Municipality, Verizon NY intends to provide capacity on its basic service tier for up to one (1) dedicated Public Access Channel, one (1) dedicated Educational Access Channel, and up to one (1) dedicated Government Access Channel.

(2) The terms and conditions under which service is to be provided to educational and governmental entities.

Verizon NY will provide channel capacity to educational and governmental entities under terms and conditions consistent with applicable law, and as may be required by the Municipality.

Village of Nissequogue, NY/Verizon New York Inc.
Application for a Cable Television Franchise

(3) The terms concerning rates and construction schedules.

Verizon NY's current cable television service rates and available packages are attached as Exhibit 3.

Verizon NY has completed the construction of its fiber to the premises ("FTTP") network to approximately 75% of the households in the Municipality. A full discussion of the construction requirements and central office conversion requirements to bring FTTP and cable television service to the Municipality is contained in Exhibit 1.

On June 15, 2005, the New York Public Service Commission ("NY PSC") "declared that Verizon NY's FTTP upgrade is authorized under its existing state telephone rights because the upgrade furthers the deployment of telecommunications and broadband services, and is consistent with state and federal law and in the public interest." The NY PSC determined that, unlike a company seeking to build an unfranchised cable television system, Verizon NY already has the necessary authority to use the rights-of-way to provide telecommunications service over its existing network. See Declaratory Ruling on Verizon Communication, Inc.'s Built-Out of its Fiber to the Premises Network, NY Public Service Commission, Case 05-M-0520/05-M-0247, June 15, 2005 at 4.

Verizon NY will continue to adhere to applicable lawful customary time, place and manner permitting requirements of the Municipality.

(4) An indication of whether Verizon NY will provide service on the same terms and conditions as contained in the existing franchise in effect.

Verizon NY will provide service on terms and conditions consistent with the needs and interests of the Municipality and the level playing field requirement set forth in Title 16, Chapter VIII, Part 895, Section 895.3, of the Official Compilation of Codes, Rules and Regulations of the State of New York, as amended, in that the Verizon NY proposed franchise is comparable in its totality with the incumbent cable television provider's agreement. Verizon NY is applying for a cable television franchise in the Municipality in order to provide the residents of the Municipality with competitive choice.

As more fully described in Exhibit 1, Verizon NY is constructing its FTTP network pursuant to its authority as a common carrier under Title II of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, and Section 27 of the New York Transportation Corporations Law. For this reason and others, certain terms and conditions may differ between the incumbent cable provider's franchise and Verizon NY's franchise.

(5) A statement of Verizon NY's experience in the cable television field including, if applicable, the names and professional experience of the persons or organizations who will be responsible for the construction, installation and operation of the proposed system.

Verizon NY and its predecessor entities have provided telecommunications services in the State of New York for over one hundred years. Consequently, Verizon NY has extensive experience and expertise in the telecommunications field. Generally, the current cable service operation of Verizon NY is similarly based on an extensive history. Specifically, Verizon NY has applied the comprehensive knowledge of current Verizon NY employees in the provision of telecommunications service, including in-depth knowledge and experience of employees who were involved in affiliated enterprises.

Verizon NY was awarded cable television franchise by the following municipalities: (1) Village of Massapequa Park (Nassau County); (2) Village of Nyack (Rockland County); (3) Village of South Nyack (Rockland County); (4) Village of Upper Nyack (Rockland County); (5) Town of Hempstead (Nassau County); (6) Village of Cedarhurst (Nassau County); (7) Town of Oyster Bay (Nassau County); (8) Village of Laurel Hollow (Nassau County); (9) Village of Grand View-on-Hudson (Rockland County); (10) Village of Lynbrook (Nassau County); (11) Town of Clarkstown (Rockland County); (12) Village of Mineola (Nassau County); (13) Village of East Rockaway (Nassau County); (14) Town of Greenburgh (Westchester County); (15) Town of Smithtown (Suffolk County); (16) Village of Irvington (Westchester County); (17) Village of Valley Stream (Nassau County); (18) Town of Huntington (Suffolk County); (19) Village of Farmingdale (Nassau County); (20) Village of Ardsley (Westchester County); (21) Village of Freeport (Nassau County); (22) Village of Dobbs Ferry (Westchester County); (23) Village of Tarrytown (Westchester County); (24) Town of Eastchester (Westchester County); (25) Town of Mount Kisco (Westchester County); (26) Village of Elmsford (Westchester County); (27) Village of Port Chester (Westchester County); (28) Village of Tuckahoe (Westchester County); (29) Town of Orangetown (Rockland County); (30) Village of Piermont (Rockland County); (31) City of White Plains (Westchester County); (32) Village of Airmont (Rockland County); (33) Village of Williston Park (Nassau County); (34) Town of North Hempstead (Nassau County); (35) Village of Rye Brook (Westchester County); (36) Town of Haverstraw (Rockland County); (37) Village of New Hyde Park (Nassau County); (38) Village of West Haverstraw (Rockland County); (39) Town of North Castle (Westchester County); (40) Village of Chestnut Ridge (Rockland County); (41) Village of Bayville (Nassau County); (42) Village of Sands Point (Nassau County); (43) Village of Old Field (Nassau County); (44) City of Mount Vernon (Westchester County); (45) Village of Spring Valley (Rockland County); (46) Town of Mount Pleasant (Westchester County); (47) Village of Suffern (Rockland County); (48) Village of Scarsdale (Westchester County); (49) City of Yonkers (Westchester County); (50) Village of Bronxville (Westchester County); (51) Village of Floral Park (Nassau

County); (52) Town of Islip (Suffolk County); and (53) South Floral Park (Nassau County).

The NY PSC granted the following Orders and Certificates of Confirmation for Verizon NY's approved franchises: (1) Massapequa Park - December 14, 2005; (2) Nyack - February 8, 2006; (3) South Nyack - February 8, 2006; (4) Upper Nyack - May 18, 2006; (5) Hempstead - May 18, 2006; (6) Cedarhurst - June 22, 2006; (7) Oyster Bay – June 23, 2006; (8) Laurel Hollow – August 24, 2006; (9) Grand Viewon-Hudson - August 24, 2006; (10) Lynbrook - September 21, 2006; (11) Clarkstown - September 21, 2006; (12) Mineola - September 21, 2006; (13) East Rockaway - October 19, 2006; (14) Greenburgh - October 19, 2006; (15) Smithtown - November 10, 2006; (16) Irvington - November 10, 2006; (17) Valley Stream -November 10, 2006; (18) Huntington – November 10, 2006; (19) Farmingdale – November 10, 2006; (20) Ardsley – December 15, 2006; (21) Dobbs Ferry – December 15, 2006; (22) Freeport - December 15, 2006; (23) Tarrytown - December 15, 2006; (24) Eastchester – January 19, 2007; (25) Mount Kisco – January 19, 2007; (26) Elmsford – February 15, 2007; (27) Port Chester – March 21, 2007; (28) Tuckahoe - March 21, 2007; (29) Orangetown - April 20, 2007; (30) Piermont -April 20, 2007; (31) White Plains – May 17, 2007; (32) Airmont – May 17, 2007; (33) Williston Park - May 17, 2007; (34) Rye Brook - May 17, 2007; (35) North Hempstead – June 22, 2007; (36) West Haverstraw – June 22, 2007; (37) Haverstraw - June 22, 2007; (38) New Hyde Park - June 22, 2007; (39) North Castle - June 22, 2007; (40) Chestnut Ridge – June 22, 2007; (41) Bayville – June 22, 2007; (42) Sands Point - June 22, 2007; (43) Spring Valley - July 19, 2007; (44) Mount Vernon — July 19, 2007; (45) Old Field — July 19, 2007; and (46) Mount Pleasant — July 19, 2007.

Furthermore, other subsidiaries of Verizon Communications Inc. were awarded cable television franchises by 807 franchising authorities in California, Delaware, Florida, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Texas, and Virginia.

(6) A statement indicating whether Verizon NY or any of its principals owns or operates any other cable television system, directly or indirectly, and a statement indicating the name of any such operations and the name and address of the chief executive officer of the franchising authority in which such system or station is located.

Verizon NY does not own or operate any other cable television system, directly or indirectly.

(7) A documented plan for financing the proposed system, which plan shall indicate specifically every significant anticipated source of capital and any and all limitations or conditions with respect to the availability of the indicated sources of capital.

Verizon NY intends to finance the construction of the FTTP system and the provision of cable services over the FTTP system through a variety of internally and

externally generated funds. Verizon NY is a financially stable company which has provided telecommunications services in New York State for more than a century. Its parent company, Verizon Communications Inc., is a Fortune 20 company, a Dow 30 Industrials company, and had 2006 revenues in excess of \$88 billion. A copy of The 2006 Form 10-K of Verizon Communications Inc. can be accessed via the following internet address:

http://investor.verizon.com/sec/sec_frame.aspx?FilingID=5002107

A copy of the Verizon Communications Inc. 2006 Annual Report to Shareholders can be accessed via the following internet address:

http://investor.verizon.com/financial/quarterly/pdf/06_annual_report.pdf

(8) A statement indicating whether Verizon NY or any of its officers, directors and persons having a legal or equitable interest in 10% or more of the voting stock: (a) has ever been convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude (including criminal fraud) or is presently under indictment charging such a crime; (b) has ever been held liable by any court of competent jurisdiction in any civil action based on fraud, deceit or misrepresentation; or (c) has ever been punished or censured in any jurisdiction for any violation or attempted violation of any law, rule or order relating to cable television operations.

Verizon NY has no knowledge of any such finding of guilt toward Verizon NY, any person controlling Verizon NY, or any officer, director or major stockholder of Verizon NY.

PROPOSED SERVICE OVERVIEW, PRODUCT OFFERS AND ARCHITECTURE

- Overview of Fiber to the Premises (FTTP) Deployment
- Service Overview
 - Product Offer
 - Service Delivery/Connection Method
- FTTP System Architecture
 - o End-to-End Architecture
 - o Wide Area Transport

Overview of Fiber To The Premises (FTTP) Deployment

Fiber to the Premises (FTTP) is a key Verizon corporate initiative to provide voice, cable television and very high speed data services. FTTP uses fiber-optic cable and optical electronics to directly link homes and many businesses to the Verizon network. The fiber network being deployed can support cable television and, where appropriate, Verizon will seek to provide cable service to customers. Key objectives include, but are not limited to, the delivery of higher customer satisfaction, superior performance (network, applications & technical support), and an installation process that surpasses the Cable, DBS and DSL experience today.

- Verizon Communications companies began deploying FTTP in twelve states in 2004. Verizon passed six million homes with FTTP in sixteen states by the end of 2006.
- Cable television services deployment will be a subset that is ancillary to the voice and data FTTP services. Select FTTP-enabled wire centers will be deployed for cable service in the first instance.

Service Overview

The FTTP Network will enable provision of a feature rich and fully competitive cable television offering. The major components of the cable television services which Verizon will offer to consumers will include:

- Basic tier, including local and Educational and Government (EG) channels as requested by and as negotiated with the community
- Expanded Service tiers
- Premium channel tiers
- Pay Per View (PPV)
- HDTV channels
- Digital music channels
- Digital Video Recorder (DVR)

- Interactive programming guide (IPG)
- Inside coax cable wire installation

Product Offers

For residential customers, Verizon will initially offer Broadcast Television, High Definition TV (HDTV), Digital Video Recorders (DVR), Interactive Programming Guide (IPG) and Pay Per View (PPV) Movies and Events. The Broadcast Television offering will consist of both a Basic Service tier and an Expanded Service tier. The Basic Service tier will include local, educational/government (EG) channels and select cable channels. The Expanded Service tier will include all channels carried on the Basic Service tier as well as additional cable channels, premium cable channels, Spanish language channels, international channels, digital music channels, an interactive program guide (IPG), HDTV programming (for subscribers with an HD STB) and PPV programming. Customers will be charged a monthly recurring fee for each set top box (STB) based upon model. The customer will be offered the option to upgrade STBs to include support for HDTV, or a combined HD DVR STB for additional monthly fees.

In addition to organizing and informing the customer of the programming line-up, the system is designed from its outset to be an active two-way system for subscriber interaction, if any, required for the selection or use of cable service. The IPG will support on-screen program control, parental controls, timers, search, and ordering of PPV services. Pay Per View allows subscribers to pay for and watch prescheduled programming events on an on-demand basis. PPV movies or events will be selected from the IPG. Authorization for billing will occur at the time of purchase. Events begin at pre-scheduled intervals (i.e., programming is not immediately available). Customers will purchase PPV either as discrete events or in pre-defined packages.

Service Delivery/Connection Method

Connection Method

At initial deployment, an installation and maintenance (I&M) technician will connect the Optical Network Terminal (ONT) to a central point of demarcation where a cable television I&M technician will make final connections to provide the cable television service. After the installation of the ONT, a cable television field technician will test the existing in-home coaxial cable to determine if it is technically acceptable and will connect the service. If no coaxial cable exists or the coaxial cable is unacceptable, the technician will install wiring to the first cable outlet, and will install new coaxial wiring to other locations identified by the customer at the customer's request and expense. The customer may choose to self-install such wiring, or to obtain inside wiring installation service from a third party or Verizon.

Connection Method – Set Top Box

The technician will have a set top box that will need to be installed near the TV. The technician will connect a coaxial cable from the wall outlet to the set top and another coaxial cable from the set top box to the TV. The technician will also connect the customer's VCR and/or DVD device and check for proper operation. A fee may be charged for non-standard installations involving

multiple components such as surround sound systems or other electronic equipment. This process will be followed for any boxes installed.

When a set top box is installed the technician will call the service center at which point certain services previously ordered by the customer will be activated. A remote command will be issued to the set top box in real time to turn the purchased service(s) on.

Connection Method: - PPV

The set top box provides access to the service. Customers will use their remote control to purchase the programming they desire. Purchases will appear on the monthly bill.

Equipment Changes and Re-Configurations

When a customer changes the in-home configuration (e.g., moving a set top box from one TV to another), the customer will be able to accomplish this change without reconfiguring the set top box.

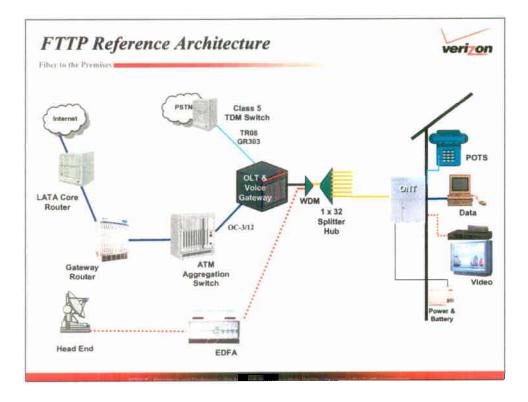
FTTP System Architecture

End-to-End Architecture

Figure 1 shows the architecture topology for supporting service across multiple market areas. A brief summary of the end-to-end architecture follows. Subsequent sections provide more information on each major component within the planned Verizon FTTP overlay architecture.

Figure 2 shows full build and overlay architecture. FTTP will be built instead of copper facilities in new communities. In existing communities, the existing copper network will continue to serve those customers who have not migrated to the FTTP network. The fiber is deployed from a Central Office location within a wire center area.

Figure 1-High Level End to End Architecture



FTTP Full Build and Overlay Architectures

Filter to the Premises

Residential

Copper Plant Splitter

Circuit Switch

No Development

No Development

Figure 2-FTTP Full Build and Overlay Architectures

At the national or regional level, a "super" headend (SHE) (Temple Terrace, Florida with a backup in Bloomington, Illinois) shall serve as the single point of national content aggregation (see Figure 1). All content shall be encoded into MPEG2 streams and transported over nationwide SONET services. In each market where Verizon seeks to offer service, the broadcast cable television traffic is off loaded from the long haul network and terminated at a Video Hub Office (VHO). Network redundancy and route diversity shall extend from the SHE to the VHO.

The VHO serves as the metro or local point of aggregation. It is here that off-air and public, educational, and government (PEG) channels (where appropriate) are combined with the broadcast cable television coming from the SHE. Interactive Program Guides (IPG) shall be controlled from this site, also. The service that exits the VHO shall look like the final product viewed by the end user subscriber.

Cable television traffic is converted to optical signals at the VHO and transported over Verizon's metro area, inter-office facilities (IOF) to Video Serving Offices (VSOs). Voice and high-speed data signals are combined with the cable television at this location for final transport to the subscriber premises over Verizon's FTTP Passive Optical Network (PON).

At the premise, the optical cable television signal is de-multiplexed and converted to an electrical signal, which meets cable television industry standards for cable services. Standard home wiring practices, using coaxial cables, as well as alternative media, shall distribute the signal to cable ready TVs and standard set top boxes.

There will be 24x7 control and surveillance of the cable television platform from a remote location. This Network Operations Center (NOC) will be centrally located and shall be responsible for the operation and maintenance of the Conditional Access System (CAS), which directs the encryption functions performed back at the VHO.

Super Headend (SHE)

A "super" headend (SHE) shall serve as the single point of national content aggregation. At general service availability, Verizon shall deploy a primary SHE and an additional SHE for redundancy.

Both the primary and redundant SHEs will be strategically located to ensure technical and environmental requirements are met.

The key functions of the SHE include:

Content Reception

Signal Processing

Encoding

Network Interface

The majority of cable television sources shall be individual content provider programming. A mix of standard and high definition formats shall be supported. All content shall be encoded into MPEG2 streams, formatted for SONET, and transported via an OC48c to a local point-of-presence (POP) for wide area (national) transport.

Wide Area Transport

In support of the cable television service, Verizon will use OC48c SONET facilities in the POPs serving target cable markets. Where multiple POPs exist within a market, redundancy options shall dictate if a single or multiple POPs shall be designated for supporting the cable television traffic.

In most cases, it is expected that the cable television traffic shall traverse multiple interconnected rings between the SHE and the destination market. Once the cable traffic reaches a POP located in a target market, it will be forwarded to an OC48c SONET interface connected to metro/local SONET facilities. These facilities shall connect the POP to a Video Hub Office (VHO). VHOs are capable of serving multiple communities within a target market. If more than one VHO is required, the metro SONET ring(s) would be deployed to cover multiple sites.

Video Hub Office (VHO)

The VHO serves as the metro or local point of aggregation. The VHO location (Queens, NY) is based on a combination of technical factors, metro fiber/IOF availability, local channel reception characteristics, and municipal regulations (e.g., zoning ordinances).

Under current network design plans, the anticipated functions of the VHO include:

WAN Interface for Cable television Transport

Ad Insertion

PEG Content

Signal Grooming and Multiplexing

Emergency Alert Service

Interactive Program Guide

Conditional Access

Local Content

The VHO shall aggregate three basic sources of content: national broadcast channels, local broadcast channels, and public, educational, & government (PEG) channels. The national content is the traffic sent from the SHE and is delivered via an OC48c SONET interface from the SONETPOP. The local broadcast channels shall be received off-air via antennas or terrestrial fiber transport located at the VHO site. The PEG channels shall be collected via terrestrial connections from each local franchising area (LFA) served by the VHO.

The final collection of content is placed into the RF spectrum between 50 – 870 MHz as either an analog AM-VSB signal or, as part of a digital multiplex, into a 256-QAM modulated carrier. Digital content requiring encryption by the CAS shall also be multiplexed into QAM modulators and combined with other analog and digital carriers. In addition, an out-of-band downstream channel is generated which carries the Interactive Program Guide (IPG), provisioning, and management messages to STBs. The combined RF signal is converted to optics and fed into erbium-doped fiber amplifers (EDFAs) at egress from the VHO. These optical cable television signals are transported on the 1550 nm wavelength of the G.983-specified Enhancement band to Verizon Video Serving Offices (VSOs).

As noted previously, it is intended that the broadcast cable television traffic/service that exits the VHO shall look like the final product viewed by the end user subscriber.

Metro Area Transport

The optical cable television signals coming from the VHO are transported on the 1550 nm wavelength over fiber available within Verizon's inter-office facilities (IOF).

Video Serving Office (VSO) & Passive Optical Network (PON)

The Video Serving Office (VSO) is a location within the central office containing FTTP equipment. The VSO that will serve the Village of Nissequogue is located in Orangeburg, New York. If technically feasible or otherwise appropriate, PEG insertion may occur at these locations in the network.

The key function of the VSO is to combine Broadcast Cable television into the Voice and High Speed Data FTTP Network.

Once in the VSO, the optical cable television signal is sent through an EDFA and then to a Wave Division Multiplexer (WDM) combiner and splitter, which is used to add the cable signal to the voice and high-speed data signals' wavelength (1490nm) – coming from the Optical Line Terminal (OLT) – together with the cable wavelength onto a single optical source. This optical signal is then sent towards the subscriber premises via a PON. The VSO will also play a role in supporting upstream signals from the customer premises for pay-per-view services. Pay-per-view usage data uses the data service's 1310nm upstream wavelength. The upstream data communications shall be sent back to a subscriber database located in the Operations Center located in the VHO.

Customer Premises

At the premise, an Optical Network Terminal (ONT) de-multiplexes the 1550nm optical signal and simply converts it to a voice, data and cable television electrical signal, which meets cable television industry standards for cable services.

LEGAL AUTHORITY TO CONSTRUCT FIBER TO THE PREMISES

Verizon New York Inc. ("Verizon"), as a common carrier under Title II of the Communications Act of 1934 (the "Act"), is constructing its Fiber To The Premises (FTTP) network as an upgrade to its existing telecommunications network. Verizon has the requisite authority to upgrade its network for enhanced voice and broadband services for the reasons discussed, in part, below.

Verizon has the necessary Federal, state and local authorizations to upgrade its Title II telecommunications network, subject to customary time, place and manner permitting requirements. Specifically, Section 27 of the New York Transportation Corporations Law ("New York Telecom Law") grants Verizon the right to place its facilities upon, over or under any public streets within the State of New York. See New York Tel. Co. v. Town of North Hempstead, 41 N.Y.2d 691, 363 N.E.2d 694 (1977); New York Tel. Co. v. City of Amsterdam, 613 N.Y.S.2d 993, 994 (App. Div. 1994) (stating that Section 27 grants "an unconditional privilege to install, maintain and repair" telephone facilities in public streets).

The Title II services to be provided over Verizon's FTTP network are not subject to Title VI of the Act or Article 11 of the New York State Public Service Law ("New York Cable Law"), which regulate cable television service. Verizon plans to utilize FTTP to offer its customers enhanced voice and broadband data services. While FTTP may give Verizon the future capability of providing video service, the network is not subject to Title VI of the Act or the New York Cable Law (including any construction requirements that may be set forth therein) unless and until the network constitutes a "cable system" as defined in Section 602(7) of the Act or a "cable television system" as defined in Section 212(2) of the New York Cable Law. This is triggered only when cable services, such as video programming, are provided to multiple subscribers within a community. As stated in Section 602(7) the Act, "the term 'cable system' ... does not include ... (C) a facility of a common carrier which is subject, in whole or in part, to the provisions of title II of this Act, except ... to the extent that such facility is used in the transmission of video programming directly to subscribers..." (emphasis added) 47 U.S.C. § 522(7)(C). See Nat'l Cable Television Ass'n v. FCC, 33 F.3d 66 (D.C. Cir. 1994) (concluding that the FCC "reasonably interpreted the Act to require that an entity obtain a cable franchise only when that entity selects or provides the video programming to be offered.") Moreover, Section 621(b)(3) of the Act (47 U.S.C. § 541(b)(3)) further specifically prohibits franchising authorities from requiring cable franchises for the provision of telecommunications service or in any way restricting or impeding the provision of such service.

Verizon has the requisite authority as a common carrier under Title II of the Act and Section 27 of the NY Telecom Law to construct its FTTP network. It need not seek supplemental authority to construct the network. However, as provided in Title VI of the Act and the New York Cable Law, a cable franchise would be required prior to Verizon using the FTTP network to provide video programming to multiple subscribers in a local franchise area.

Furthermore, on June 15, 2005, the New York Public Service Commission ruled that Verizon does not need to obtain a cable franchise before constructing its FTTP network. The

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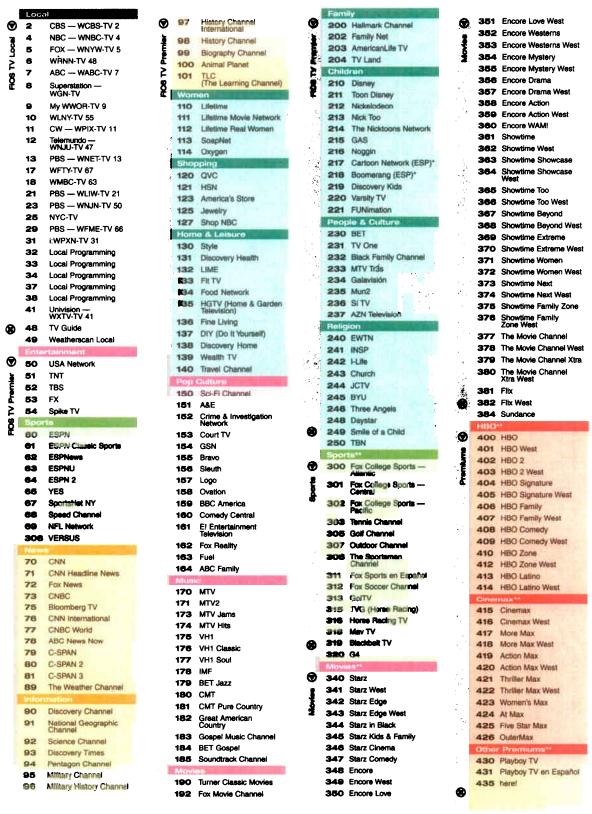
Commission found that unlike cable companies, Verizon already has the necessary authority under state law to use the public rights-of-way. Thus, the Commission concluded that Verizon has the right to upgrade its telecommunications network to make it capable of providing cable service. See Declaratory Ruling on Verizon Communication, Inc.'s Built-Out of its Fiber to the Premises Network, NY Public Service Commission, Case 05-M-0520/05-M-0247, June 15, 2005.

VERIZON NEW YORK INC.

VERIZON FIOS TV – NEW YORK AREA CHANNEL LINEUP

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Verizon FiOS TV — New York Area Channel Lineup



^{*}A Spanish-language Secondary Audio Program (SAP) is available for selection.

FIOS TV frequently updates its channel offerings. To view our latest published channel lineup, please visit verizonflos.com/tv.

🌅 FIOS TV Local 💢 Arts & Entertainment 🌓 Sports 🦊 News & Information 🛑 Eifestyle 👚 Premiums

[&]quot;Subscription to corresponding premium channels and packages required.

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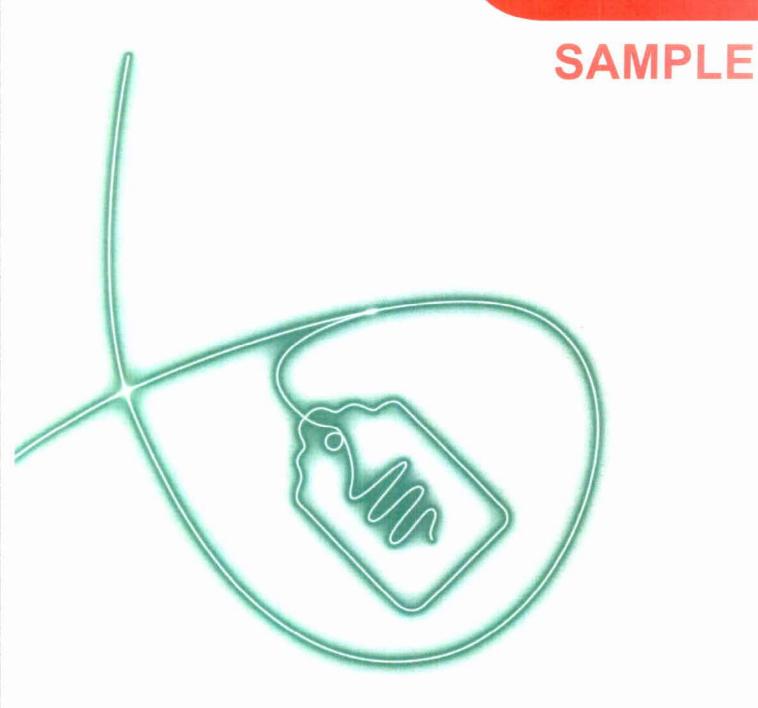


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Service	Number of Channels	Monthly Price	
FiOS TV Local*	15–35	\$12.99	
Digital Service (Requires Set Top Box	[STB] and Router ²)		
FiOS TV Premier ³	160 + FiOS TV Local	\$42.99	

115 + FiOS TV Local

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Packages (Requires STB)	Number of Channels	Monthly Price
Sports	15	\$7.99
Movies	44	\$12.99
Sports/Movies Combination	59	\$ 15.99
Spanish Language	25	\$11.99

Number of Channels	Monthly Price
14	\$15.99
12	\$15.99
26	\$25.99
2	\$15.99
1	\$7.99
	14 12

International Premiums® (Requires STB)	Number of Channels	Monthly Price
International Premium Channels	17	Individually Priced
Video On Demand (VOD) and Pay Per View (PPV)) (Requires STB)	Price
On Demand Movies		
New Releases		\$3.99
Library		\$2.99
On Demand Subscriptions		
WWE		\$7.99/mo.
Karaoke		\$7.99/mo.



On Demand Adult	\$14.99/mo.
PPV Events	Varies
PPV Sports	Varies
ESPN GamePlan — NCAA Football	\$21.99/daily, \$129.99 season*
ESPN FullCourt — NCAA Basketball	\$14.99/daily, \$109.99 season*
Set Top Box (STB)	Monthly Price
Standard Definition	\$4.99
High Definition (includes HD channels)	\$9.99
High Definition Digital Video Recorder (includes HD channels)	\$12.99
Home Media DVR (features Multi-Room DVR & Media Manager)	\$19.99
Initial Installation	One-Time Charges
Existing Outlet Hookup (up to 3)	No Charge
Additional Outlet/Set Top Box Hookup (existing outlet)	\$19.99
New Outlet Install/Existing Outlet Rewire (per outlet)	\$54.99
Outlet Relocation	\$54.99
Subsequent Installations/Charges	One-Time Charges
Set Top Box Addition or Upgrade/Downgrade	\$24.99
Premise Visit 6	\$49.99
New Outlet Installation (per outlet)	\$54.99
Outlet Relocation (per outlet)	\$54.99
Setup of TV Equipment (new TV with existing STB)	\$49.99
Disconnect of Set Top Box'	\$24.99 + \$5.00/STB
Downgrade of Service from Digital to Analog	\$49.99 + \$5.00/STB
FiOS TV Service Disconnect	No Charge
FIOS TV Service Reconnect (up to 3 outlets)*	\$49.99
Other Services and Charges	One-Time Charges
Seasonal Service Suspension (charged at initiation, 1-6 months) ⁹	\$24.99
Replacement Remote — Basic Universal	\$5.00 + Shipping & Handling
Replacement Remote - FiOS TV Universal	\$6.99 + Shipping & Handling
Unreturned/Damaged STB — Standard Definition	\$240.00
Unreturned/Damaged STB — High Definition	\$350.00
Unreturned/Damaged STB — Digital Video Recorder (DVR)	\$550.00

The addition, early subscription and half season prices are available.



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- 1 In order to be eligible for Movies or Sports, FiOS TV Premier or La Conexión is required. The Spanish Language package may be added to FiOS TV Local service, but requires a Set Top Box for access. The addition of a Set Top Box with FiOS TV Local service provides access to Video On Demand (VOD) and Pay Per View (PPV), as well as the ability to order Premiums and International Premiums.
- 2 Router provided will be a new or fully inspected, tested and warranted return unit. If service is cancelled within the first 12 months, router must be returned or \$99.99 equipment fee applies. If you maintain service for twelve (12) consecutive months, ownership of the router shall transfer to you, after which time all maintenance of the router shall be at your sole cost and expense, and the risk of loss will be yours should the router be damaged or stolen.
- 3 FiOS TV Premier includes all FiOS TV Local channels, additional all-digital programming, digital music channels and access to Pay Per View and Video On Demand. 30-day minimum billing period required for all digital packages.
- 4 La Conexión includes all FiOS TV Local channels, digital programming including popular English-language networks and Spanish-language networks, digital music channels, and access to PPV and VOD. La Conexión cannot be combined with the Spanish Language package. 30-day minimum billing period required for all digital packages.
- 5 Subscription VOD is included with all Premiums at no extra charge (where applicable). 30-day minimum billing period required for all Premiums.
- 6 A premise visit charge is assessed when a technician installation is required to set up a new or additional TV with an existing FiOS TV Set Top Box. A premise visit charge is not assessed when adding new, upgrading/downgrading existing, or disconnecting Set Top Box receivers.
- 7 The Set Top Box disconnect charge is assessed only when the customer maintains at least one FiOS TV Set Top Box. If all Set Top Box receivers are disconnected, the service downgrade charge applies.
- 8 The reconnect fee applies when establishing service after a service disconnect.
- 9 Seasonal service suspension requires a minimum suspension of one month and a maximum suspension of six months.

Programming services offered within each package are subject to change and the number of channels within each package are approximations. Not all programming services available at all times. Blackout restrictions also apply. In addition, the pricing of the packages and the terms and conditions regarding your use of Verizon FiOS TV are also subject to change. Pricing applies to residential use only within the United States. Not all services are available in all areas. Acceptance of FiOS TV Terms of Service is required in order to use FiOS TV, and a copy of the Terms of Service will be given to you at the time of installation. The customer is financially responsible for any damage to, or misuse of, any equipment or for the failure to return any equipment if service is terminated. Applicable franchise fees, regulatory fees and taxes apply. Other terms and conditions apply.

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CABLE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT

BY AND BETWEEN

THE VILLAGE OF NISSEQUOGUE

AND

VERIZON NEW YORK INC.

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Exhibit A: Municipal Buildings to be Provided Free Cable Service

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THIS CABLE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT (the "Franchise" or "Agreement") is entered into by and between the Incorporated Village of Nissequogue, a validly organized and existing political subdivision of the State of New York (the "Local Franchising Authority" or "LFA") and Verizon New York Inc., a corporation duly organized under the applicable laws of the State of New York (the "Franchisee").

WHEREAS, the LFA wishes to grant Franchisee a nonexclusive franchise to construct, install, maintain, extend and operate a cable system in the Franchise Area as designated in this Franchise;

WHEREAS, the LFA is a "franchising authority" in accordance with Title VI of the Communications Act, (see 47 U.S.C. §522(10)) and is authorized to grant one or more nonexclusive cable franchises pursuant to Article 11 of the New York Public Service Law, as amended, and Title 16, Chapter VIII, Parts 890.60 through 899, of the Official Compilation of Codes, Rules and Regulations of the State of New York, as amended;

WHEREAS, Franchisee is in the process of completing the upgrading of its existing telecommunications and information services network through the installation of a Fiber to the Premise Telecommunications Network ("FTTP Network") in the Franchise Area which transmits the Non-Cable Services pursuant to authority granted by Section 27 of the New York Transportation Corporations Law, as amended, and Title II of the Communications Act, which Non-Cable Services are not subject to the Cable Law or Title VI of the Communications Act;

WHEREAS, the FTTP Network will occupy the Public Rights-of-Way within the LFA, and Franchisee desires to use portions of the FTTP Network to provide Cable Services (as hereinafter defined) in the Franchise Area;

WHEREAS, the LFA has identified the future cable-related needs and interests of the LFA and its community, has considered and approved the financial, technical and legal qualifications of Franchisee, and has determined that Franchisee's plans for its Cable System are adequate and feasible in a full public proceeding affording due process to all parties;

WHEREAS, the LFA has found Franchisee to be financially, technically and legally qualified to operate the Cable System;

WHEREAS, the LFA has determined that in accordance with the provisions of the Cable Law, this Franchise complies with NY PSC's franchise standards and the grant of a nonexclusive franchise to Franchisee is consistent with the public interest; and

WHEREAS, the LFA and Franchisee have reached agreement on the terms and conditions set forth herein and the parties have agreed to be bound by those terms and conditions.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the LFA's grant of a franchise to Franchisee, Franchisee's promise to provide Cable Service to residents of the Franchise/Service Area of the LFA pursuant to and consistent with the Cable Law (as hereinafter defined), pursuant to the

terms and conditions set forth herein, the promises and undertakings herein, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and the adequacy of which are hereby acknowledged,

THE SIGNATORIES DO HEREBY AGREE AS FOLLOWS:

1. **DEFINITIONS**

Except as otherwise provided herein, the definitions and word usages set forth in the Cable Law are incorporated herein and shall apply in this Agreement. In addition, the following definitions shall apply:

- 1.1. Access Channel: A video Channel, which Franchisee shall make available to the LFA without charge for Public, Educational, or Governmental noncommercial use for the transmission of video programming as directed by the LFA.
- 1.2. *Affiliate*: Any Person who, directly or indirectly, owns or controls, is owned or controlled by, or is under common ownership or control with, the Franchisee.
- 1.3. *Basic Service:* Any service tier, which includes the retransmission of local television broadcast signals as well as the PEG Channels required by this Franchise.
- 1.4. Cable Law: Article 11 of the New York Public Service Law, as amended, and Title 16, Chapter VIII, Parts 890.60 through 899, of the Official Compilation of Codes, Rules and Regulations of the State of New York, as amended, to the extent authorized under and consistent with federal law.
- 1.5. Cable Service or Cable Services: Shall be defined herein as it is defined under Section 602 of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. § 522(6), as amended.
- 1.6. *Cable System* or *System*: Shall be defined herein as it is defined under Section 602 of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. § 522(7), as amended.
- 1.7. *Channel:* Shall be defined herein as it is defined under Section 602 of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. § 522(4), as amended.
 - 1.8. *Communications Act*: The Communications Act of 1934, as amended.
- 1.9. *Control:* The ability to exercise *de facto* or *de jure* control over day-to-day policies and operations or the management of Franchisee's affairs.
- 1.10. Educational Access Channel: An Access Channel available for noncommercial use solely by local public schools and public school districts in the Franchise Area and other not-for-profit educational institutions chartered or licensed by the New York State Department of Education or Board of Regents in the Franchise Area as specified by the LFA in Exhibit C to this Agreement.
- 1.11. FCC: The United States Federal Communications Commission, or successor governmental entity thereto.

- 1.12. Force Majeure: An event or events reasonably beyond the ability of Franchisee to anticipate and control. This includes, but is not limited to, severe or unusual weather conditions, strikes, labor disturbances and disputes, war or act of war (whether an actual declaration of war is made or not), insurrection, riots, act of public enemy, incidences of terrorism, acts of vandalism, actions or inactions of any government instrumentality or public utility including condemnation, accidents for which the Franchisee is not primarily responsible, fire, flood, or other acts of God, or work delays caused by waiting for utility providers to service or monitor utility poles to which Franchisee's FTTP Network is attached, and unavailability of materials and/or qualified labor to perform the work necessary.
- 1.13. Franchise Area: The incorporated area (entire existing territorial limits) of the LFA.
- 1.14. *Franchisee:* Verizon New York Inc. and its lawful and permitted successors, assigns and transferees.
- 1.15. *Government Access Channel*: An Access Channel available for the sole noncommercial use of the LFA.
- 1.16. *Gross Revenue:* All revenue, as determined in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, which is derived by Franchisee from the operation of the Cable System to provide Cable Service in the Service Area.

Gross Revenue includes, without limitation; all Subscriber and customer revenues earned or accrued net of bad debts including revenue for: (i) Basic Service; (ii) all fees charged to any Subscribers for any and all Cable Service provided by Franchisee over the Cable System in the Service Area, including without limitation Cable Service related program guides, the installation, disconnection or reconnection of Cable Service; revenues from late or delinquent charge fees; Cable Service related or repair calls; the provision of converters, remote controls, additional outlets and/or other Cable Service related Subscriber premises equipment, whether by lease or fee; (iii) video-on-demand and pay-per-view; (iv) revenues from the sale or lease of access channel(s) or channel capacity; and (v) compensation received by Franchisee that is derived from the operation of Franchisee's Cable System to provide Cable Service with respect to commissions that are paid to Franchisee as compensation for promotion or exhibition of any products or services on the Cable System, such as "home shopping" or a similar channel, subject to the exceptions below. Gross Revenue includes a pro rata portion of all revenue derived by Franchisee pursuant to compensation arrangements for advertising derived from the operation of Franchisee's Cable System to provide Cable Service within the Service Area, subject to the exceptions below. The allocation shall be based on the number of Subscribers in the Service Area divided by the total number of subscribers in relation to the relevant local, regional or national compensation arrangement. Advertising commissions paid to third parties shall not be netted against advertising revenue included in Gross Revenue.

Gross Revenue shall not include: Franchise Fees imposed on Franchisee by the LFA that are passed through from Franchisee as a line item paid by Subscribers; Revenues received by any Affiliate or other Person in exchange for supplying goods or services used by Franchisee to provide Cable Service over the Cable System; bad debts written off by Franchisee

in the normal course of its business (provided, however, that bad debt recoveries shall be included in Gross Revenue during the period collected); refunds, rebates or discounts made to Subscribers or other third parties; any revenues classified, in whole or in part, as Non-Cable Services revenue under federal or state law including, without limitation, revenue received from Telecommunications Services; revenue received from Information Services, including, without limitation, Internet Access service, electronic mail service, electronic bulletin board service, or similar online computer services; charges made to the public for commercial or cable television that is used for two-way communication; and any other revenues attributed by Franchisee to Non-Cable Services in accordance with federal law, rules, regulations, standards or orders; any revenue of Franchisee or any other Person which is received directly from the sale of merchandise through any Cable Service distributed over the Cable System, however, that portion of such revenue which represents or can be attributed to a Subscriber fee or a payment for the use of the Cable System for the sale of such merchandise shall be included in Gross Revenue; the sale of Cable Services on the Cable System for resale in which the purchaser is required to collect cable Franchise Fees from purchaser's customer; the sale of Cable Services to customers, which are exempt, as required or allowed by the LFA including, without limitation, the provision of Cable Services to public institutions as required or permitted herein; any tax of general applicability imposed upon Franchisee or upon Subscribers by a city, state, federal or any other governmental entity and required to be collected by Franchisee and remitted to the taxing entity (including, but not limited to, sales/use tax, gross receipts tax, excise tax, utility users tax, public service tax, communication taxes and non-cable franchise fees); any foregone revenue which Franchisee chooses not to receive in exchange for its provision of free or reduced cost cable or other communications services to any Person, including without limitation, employees of Franchisee and public institutions or other institutions designated in the Franchise (provided, however, that such foregone revenue which Franchisee chooses not to receive in exchange for trades, barters, services or other items of value shall be included in Gross Revenue); sales of capital assets or sales of surplus equipment; program launch fees, i.e., reimbursement by programmers to Franchisee of marketing costs incurred by Franchisee for the introduction of new programming; directory or Internet advertising revenue including, but not limited to, yellow page, white page, banner advertisement and electronic publishing; or any fees or charges collected from Subscribers or other third parties for any PEG Grant payments.

- 1.17. *Information Services*: Shall be defined herein as it is defined under Section 3 of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. §153(20), as amended.
- 1.18. *Internet Access*: Dial-up or broadband access service that enables Subscribers to access the Internet.
- 1.19. Local Franchise Authority (LFA): The Village of Nissequogue New York, or the lawful successor, transferee, or assignee thereof.
- 1.20. *Non-Cable Services*: Any service that does not constitute the provision of Video Programming directly to multiple Subscribers in the Franchise Area including, but not limited to, Information Services and Telecommunications Services.

- 1.21. *Normal Business Hours:* Those hours during which most similar businesses in the community are open to serve customers. In all cases, "normal business hours" must include some evening hours at least one night per week and/or some weekend hours.
 - 1.22. NY PSC: The New York Public Service Commission.
 - 1.23. *PEG*: Public, Educational, and Governmental.
- 1.24. *Person*: An individual, partnership, association, joint stock company, trust, corporation, or governmental entity.
- 1.25. *Public Access Channel*: An Access Channel available for noncommercial use solely by the residents in the Franchise Area on a first-come, first-served, nondiscriminatory basis.
- 1.26. Public Rights-of-Way: The surface and the area across, in, over, along, upon and below the surface of the public streets, roads, bridges, sidewalks, lanes, courts, ways, alleys, and boulevards, including, public utility easements and public lands and waterways used as Public Rights-of-Way, as the same now or may thereafter exist, which are under the jurisdiction or control of the LFA. Public Rights-of-Way do not include the airwaves above a right-of-way with regard to cellular or other nonwire communications or broadcast services.
- 1.27. *Service Area*: All portions of the Franchise Area where Cable Service is being offered, as described in **Exhibit B** attached hereto.
- 1.28. *Subscriber*: A Person who lawfully receives Cable Service over the Cable System with Franchisee's express permission.
- 1.29. *Telecommunication Services:* Shall be defined herein as it is defined under Section 3 of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. § 153(46), as amended.
- 1.30. *Title VI*: Title VI of the Communications Act, Cable Communications, as amended.
 - 1.31. Transfer of the Franchise:
 - 1.31.1. Any transaction in which:
- 1.31.1.1. a fifty percent ownership or other interest in Franchisee is transferred, directly or indirectly, from one Person or group of Persons to another Person or group of Persons, so that Control of Franchisee is transferred; or
- 1.31.1.2. the rights held by Franchisee under the Franchise and the certificate of confirmation issued therefor by the NY PSC are transferred or assigned to another Person or group of Persons.
- 1.31.2. However, notwithstanding Sub-subsections 1.33.1.1 and 1.33.1.2 above, a *Transfer of the Franchise* shall not include transfer of an ownership or other interest in

Franchisee to the parent of Franchisee or to another Affiliate of Franchisee; transfer of an interest in the Franchise or the rights held by the Franchisee under the Franchise to the parent of Franchisee or to another Affiliate of Franchisee; any action which is the result of a merger of the parent of the Franchisee; or any action which is the result of a merger of another Affiliate of the Franchisee.

1.32. *Video Programming:* Shall be defined herein as it is defined under Section 602 of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. § 522(20), as amended.

2. GRANT OF AUTHORITY; LIMITS AND RESERVATIONS

- 2.1. *Grant of Authority*: Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement and the Cable Law, the LFA hereby grants the Franchisee the right to own, construct, operate and maintain a Cable System along the Public Rights-of-Way within the Franchise Area, in order to provide Cable Service. No privilege or power of eminent domain is bestowed by this grant; nor is such a privilege or power bestowed by this Agreement.
- 2.2. The FTTP Network: Upon delivery of Cable Service, by subjecting Franchisee's mixed-use facilities to the NY PSC's minimum franchise standards and the LFA's police power, the LFA has not been granted broad new authority over the construction, placement and operation of Franchisee's mixed-use facilities; provided however, that nothing herein shall be construed to limit any existing authority that the LFA may have with respect to the Franchisee's mixed use facilities pursuant to Title II of the communications Act, Section 27 of the Transportation Corporations Law, and lawful and applicable local laws, including any lawful right to compel relocation of such facilities in the event of road-widenings and other similar adjustments to the Public-Rights-of-Way.
- 2.3. Effective Date and Term: This Franchise shall become effective on the date that the NY PSC issues a certificate of confirmation for this Franchise (the "Effective Date"), following its approval by the LFA's governing authority authorized to grant franchises and its acceptance by the Franchisee. The term of this Franchise shall be fifteen (15) years from the Effective Date unless the Franchise is earlier revoked as provided herein. The Franchisee shall memorialize the Effective Date by notifying the LFA in writing of the same, which notification shall become a part of this Franchise.
- 2.4. *Grant Not Exclusive:* The Franchise and the rights granted herein to use and occupy the Public Rights-of-Way to provide Cable Services shall not be exclusive, and the LFA reserves the right to grant other franchises for similar uses or for other uses of the Public Rights-of-Way, or any portions thereof, to any Person, or to make any such use itself, at any time during the term of this Franchise. Any such rights which are granted shall not adversely impact the authority as granted under this Franchise and shall not interfere with existing facilities of the Cable System or Franchisee's FTTP Network.
- 2.5. Franchise Subject to Federal Law and State Law: Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary herein, this Franchise is subject to and shall be governed by all applicable provisions of federal and state law as it may be amended, including but not limited to the Communications Act.

2.6. No Waiver:

- 2.6.1. The failure of the LFA on one or more occasions to exercise a right under this Franchise, the Cable Law or other applicable state or federal law, or to require compliance or performance under this Franchise, shall not be deemed to constitute a waiver of such right or a waiver of compliance or performance of this Agreement, nor shall it excuse Franchisee from compliance or performance, unless such right or such compliance or performance has been specifically waived in writing.
- 2.6.2. The failure of the Franchisee on one or more occasions to exercise a right under this Franchise, the Cable Law or other applicable state or federal law, or to require performance under this Franchise, shall not be deemed to constitute a waiver of such right or a waiver of performance of this Agreement, nor shall it excuse the LFA from performance, unless such right or such performance has been specifically waived in writing.

2.7. Construction of Agreement:

- 2.7.1. The provisions of this Franchise shall be liberally construed to effectuate their objectives.
- 2.7.2. Nothing herein shall be construed to limit the scope or applicability of Section 625 of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. § 545, as amended.
- 2.7.3. Should any change to state law, rules or regulations have the lawful effect of materially altering the terms and conditions of this Franchise, then the parties shall modify this Franchise to the mutual satisfaction of both parties to ameliorate the negative effects on the Franchisee of the material alteration. Any modification to this Franchise shall be in writing and shall be subject to Section 222 of the New York Public Service Law and Title 16, Chapter VIII, Part 892, Subpart 892-1, Section 892-1.4 of the Official Compilation of Codes, Rules and Regulations of the State of New York requiring application to the NY PSC and approval of any modification. If the parties cannot reach agreement on the above-referenced modification to the Franchise, then Franchisee may terminate this Agreement without further obligation to the LFA or, at Franchisee's option, the parties agree to submit the matter to binding arbitration in accordance with the commercial arbitration rules of the American Arbitration Association.
- 2.8. *Police Powers*: The LFA shall not enact any local laws that are inconsistent with this Franchise, provided, however, that nothing in this Franchise shall be construed to prohibit the reasonable, necessary and lawful exercise of the police powers of the LFA including, without limitation, in addition to the implementation and enforcement of the provisions of this Agreement and existing applicable laws and regulations, the enactment, adoption, implementation and enforcement of such additional laws and regulations as the LFA may deem necessary in the exercise of its police power; provided, however, that such laws and regulations are reasonable, not materially in conflict with the privileges granted in this Franchise and consistent with all federal and state laws, regulations and orders.

- 2.9. Restoration of Municipal Property: Any municipal property damaged or destroyed shall be promptly repaired or replaced by the Franchisee and restored to preexisting condition.
- 2.10 Restoration of Subscriber Property: The Franchisee shall ensure that non-municipal property is promptly repaired or replaced by the Franchisee and restored to its preexisting condition if damaged by the Franchisee's employees or agents in any respect in connection with the installation, repair, or disconnection of Cable Service.

3. PROVISION OF CABLE SERVICE

3.1. *Service Area*:

- 3.1.1. Service Area: Subject to the issuance of all necessary permits by the LFA, Franchisee shall offer Cable Service to significant numbers of Subscribers within residential areas of the Service Area and may make Cable Service available to businesses in the Service Area, within twelve (12) months and shall offer Cable Service to all residential areas of the Service Area within five (5) years, of the Effective Date of this Franchise, or, in both instances, such longer period as may be permitted by the Cable Law, except, in accordance with NY PSC rules and regulations: (A) for periods of Force Majeure; (B) for periods of delay caused by the LFA; (C) for periods of delay resulting from Franchisee's inability to obtain authority to access rights-of-way in the Service Area; (D) in areas where developments or buildings are subject to claimed exclusive arrangements with other providers; (E) in areas, developments or buildings where Franchisee cannot gain access after good faith efforts, and (F) in areas, developments or buildings where the provision of Cable Service is economically infeasible because such provision requires nonstandard facilities which are not available on a commercially reasonable basis, and (G) in areas where the occupied residential household density does not meet the density and other requirements set forth in Sub-Subsection 3.1.1.1. and Section 3.2.
- 3.1.1.1. Density Requirement: Franchisee shall make Cable Services available to residential dwelling units in all areas of the Service Area where the average density is equal to or greater than 25 occupied residential dwelling units per mile as measured in strand footage from the nearest technically feasible point on the active FTTP Network trunk or feeder line. Should, through new construction, an area within the Service Area meet the density requirements after the time stated for providing Cable Service as set forth in Subsection 3.1.1, Franchisee shall provide Cable Service to such area within twelve (12) months of receiving notice from the LFA that the density requirements have been met.
- 3.2. Availability of Cable Service: Franchisee shall make Cable Service available to all residential dwelling units and may make Cable Service available to businesses within the Service Area in conformance with Section 3.1, and Franchisee shall not discriminate between or among any individuals in the availability of Cable Service or based upon the income in a local area. In the areas in which Franchisee shall provide Cable Service, Franchisee shall be required to connect, at Franchisee's expense, other than a standard installation charge, all residential dwelling units that are within two hundred fifty (250) feet of existing aerial or underground trunk or feeder lines not otherwise already served by Franchisee's FTTP Network. Franchisee shall be allowed to recover, from a Subscriber that requests such connection, the

actual costs incurred for residential dwelling unit connections that exceed two hundred fifty (250) feet or are in an area with a density of less than 25 occupied residential dwelling units per mile and the actual costs incurred to connect any non-residential dwelling unit Subscriber, provided, however, that Franchisee may seek a waiver of any requirement that it extend service to any party requesting the same in an area with a density of less than 25 occupied residential dwelling units per mile if such would not be possible within the limitations of economic feasibility. For installations over two hundred fifty (250) from the trunk or feeder lines, Franchisee shall submit such actual costs to said Subscriber in writing, before installation is begun.

- 3.3. Cable Service to Public Buildings: Subject to Section 3.1, Franchisee shall provide, without charge within the Service Area, one service outlet activated for Basic Service to each public school and public library, and such other buildings used for municipal purposes as may be designated by the LFA as provided in **Exhibit A** attached hereto; provided, however, that if it is necessary to extend Franchisee's aerial trunk or feeder lines more than five hundred (500) feet solely to provide service to any such school or public building, the LFA shall have the option either of paying Franchisee's direct costs for such aerial extension in excess of five hundred (500) feet, or of releasing Franchisee from the obligation to provide service to such school or public building. Furthermore, Franchisee shall be permitted to recover, from any school or public building owner entitled to free service, the direct cost of installing, when requested to do so, more than one outlet, or concealed inside wiring, or a service outlet requiring more than five hundred (500) feet of drop cable; provided, however, that Franchisee shall not charge for the provision of Basic Service to the additional service outlets once installed. For underground installations, Franchisee shall charge the recipient Franchisee's actual cost. Such costs shall be submitted to said recipient in writing, before installation is begun. Cable Service may not be resold or otherwise used in contravention of Franchisee's rights with third parties respecting programming. Equipment provided by Franchisee, if any, shall be replaced at retail rates if lost, stolen or damaged.
- 3.4. *Contribution in Aid:* Notwithstanding the foregoing, Franchisee shall comply at all times, with the requirements of Section 895.5 of NY PSC rules and regulations.

4. **SYSTEM FACILITIES**

- 4.1. Quality of Materials and Work: Franchisee shall construct and maintain its System using materials of good and durable quality, and all work involved in the construction, installation, maintenance and repair of the Cable System shall be performed in a safe, thorough and reliable manner.
- 4.2. *System Characteristics:* During the term hereof Franchisee's Cable System shall meet or exceed the following requirements:
- 4.2.1. The System shall be designed and operated with an initial analog and digital carrier passband between 50 and 860 MHz and shall provide for a minimum channel capacity of not less than 77 channels on the Effective Date.

- 4.2.2. The System shall be designed to be an active two-way plant for subscriber interaction, if any, required for the selection or use of Cable Service.
- 4.3. *Interconnection:* The Franchisee shall design its Cable System so that it may be interconnected with other cable systems in the Franchise Area. Interconnection of systems may be made by direct cable connection, microwave link, satellite, or other appropriate methods.
- 4.4. *Emergency Alert System:* Franchisee shall comply with the Emergency Alert System ("EAS") requirements of the FCC and the State of New York, including the NY PSC's rules and regulations and the current New York EAS Plan, in order that emergency messages may be distributed over the System.

5. **PEG SERVICES**

5.1. *PEG Set Aside:*

- 5.1.1. In order to insure universal availability of public, educational, and government programming, Franchisee shall provide the LFA with access to PEG services, pursuant to applicable NY PSC rules and regulations.
- 5.1.2. The programming to be carried on each of the PEG Channels set aside by Franchisee is reflected in **Exhibit C** attached hereto. The LFA hereby authorizes Franchisee to transmit such programming within and without LFA jurisdictional boundaries. Franchisee specifically reserves the right to make or change channel assignments in its sole discretion. If a PEG Channel provided under this Article is not being utilized by the LFA, Franchisee may utilize such PEG Channel, in its sole discretion, until such time as the LFA elects to utilize the PEG Channel for its intended purpose. In the event that the LFA determines to use PEG capacity, the LFA shall provide Franchisee with prior written notice of such request in accordance with NY PSC rules and regulations.
- 5.1.3. Franchisee shall provide the technical ability to play back prerecorded programming provided to Franchisee consistent with this Section. Franchisee shall transmit programming consistent with the dedicated uses of PEG Access Channels. Franchisee shall comply at all times with the requirements of Section 895.4 of the NY PSC rules and regulations.
- 5.2. Indemnity for PEG: The LFA shall require all local producers and users of any of the PEG facilities or Channels to agree in writing to authorize Franchisee to transmit programming consistent with this Agreement and to defend and hold harmless Franchisee and the LFA from and against any and all liability or other injury, including the reasonable cost of defending claims or litigation, arising from or in connection with claims for failure to comply with applicable federal laws, rules, regulations or other requirements of local, state or federal authorities; for claims of libel, slander, invasion of privacy, or the infringement of common law or statutory copyright; for unauthorized use of any trademark, trade name or service mark; for breach of contractual or other obligations owing to third parties by the producer or user; and for any other injury or damage in law or equity, which result from the use of a PEG facility or

Channel. The LFA shall establish rules and regulations for use of PEG facilities, consistent with, and as required by, 47 U.S.C. §531.

5.3. Recovery of Costs: To the extent permitted by federal law, the Franchisee shall be allowed to recover the costs arising from the provision of PEG services from Subscribers and to include such costs as a separately billed line item on each Subscriber's bill. Without limiting the forgoing, if allowed under state and federal laws, Franchisee may externalize, lineitem, or otherwise pass-through interconnection and any franchise-related costs to Subscribers.

6. FRANCHISE FEES

- 6.1. Payment to LFA: Franchisee shall pay no Franchise Fee to the LFA; provided, however, that at such time as the LFA requires all Cable Service providers in the Service Area to pay a Franchise Fee of up to five percent (5%) of annual Gross Revenue (the "Franchise Fee"), the LFA shall be entitled, after notification to Franchisee, to amend this Franchisee in the manner prescribed herein to require Franchisee to pay such amount and Franchisee agrees to pay such amount on going forward basis, following the issuance of an order from the NY PSC approving such amendment. Such payments shall be made no later than forty-five (45) days following the end of each calendar quarter. Franchisee shall be allowed to submit or correct any payments that were incorrectly omitted, and shall be refunded any payments that were incorrectly submitted, in connection with the quarterly Franchise Fee remittances within ninety (90) days following the close of the calendar year for which such payments were applicable.
- 6.2. Supporting Information: Each Franchise Fee payment shall be accompanied by a brief report prepared by a representative of Franchisee showing the basis for the computation.
- 6.3. Limitation on Franchise Fee Actions: The parties agree that the period of limitation for recovery of any Franchise Fee payable hereunder shall be six (6) years from the date on which payment by Franchisee is due, but cannot exceed the date of records retention reflected in Section 7.
- 6.4. Bundled Services: If Cable Services subject to the Franchise Fee required under this Article 6 are provided to Subscribers in conjunction with Non-Cable Services, the Franchise Fee shall be applied only to the value of the Cable Services, as reflected on the books and records of Franchisee in accordance with FCC or state public utility regulatory commission rules, regulations, standards or orders. The parties agree that tariffed telecommunication service rates that cannot be discounted by law or by regulation are to be excluded from the bundled discount allocation basis. Where pro rata allocation of bundled discounts is commercially practical for any bundled offering, the Franchisee will allocate the bundled discount such that the discount allocated to Cable Service revenues will not exceed the amount which would be allocated to Cable Service revenue on a pro rata basis.

7. **REPORTS AND RECORDS**

7.1. Open Books and Records: Upon reasonable written notice to the Franchisee and with no less than thirty (30) business days written notice to the Franchisee, the LFA shall have the right to inspect Franchisee's books and records pertaining to Franchisee's provision of Cable Service in the Franchise Area at any time during Normal Business Hours and on a nondisruptive basis, as are reasonably necessary to ensure compliance with the terms of this Franchise. Such notice shall specifically reference the section or subsection of the Franchise which is under review, so that Franchisee may organize the necessary books and records for appropriate access by the LFA. Franchisee shall not be required to maintain any books and records for Franchise compliance purposes longer than six (6) years. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth herein, Franchisee shall not be required to disclose information that it reasonably deems to be proprietary or confidential in nature, nor disclose any of its or an Affiliate's books and records not relating to the provision of Cable Service in the Service Area. The LFA shall treat any information disclosed by Franchisee as confidential and shall only disclose it to employees, representatives, and agents thereof who have a need to know, or in order to enforce the provisions hereof. Franchisee shall not be required to provide Subscriber information in violation of Section 631 of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. §551.

7.2. *Records Required*: Franchisee shall at all times maintain:

- 7.2.1. Records of all written complaints for a period of six (6) years after receipt by Franchisee. The term "complaint" as used herein refers to complaints about any aspect of the Cable System or Franchisee's cable operations, including, without limitation, complaints about employee courtesy. Complaints recorded will not be limited to complaints requiring an employee service call;
- 7.2.2. Records of outages for a period of six (6) years after occurrence, indicating date, duration, area, and the number of Subscribers affected, type of outage, and cause:
- 7.2.3. Records of service calls for repair and maintenance for a period of six (6) years after resolution by Franchisee, indicating the date and time service was required, the date of acknowledgment and date and time service was scheduled (if it was scheduled), and the date and time service was provided, and (if different) the date and time the problem was resolved;
- 7.2.4. Records of installation/reconnection and requests for service extension for a period of six (6) years after the request was fulfilled by Franchisee, indicating the date of request, date of acknowledgment, and the date and time service was extended; and
- 7.2.5. A map showing the area of coverage for the provisioning of Cable Services and estimated timetable to commence providing Cable Service.
- 7.3. System-Wide Statistics: Any valid reporting requirement in the Franchise may be satisfied with system-wide statistics, except those related to Franchise Fees and consumer complaints.

7.4. Performance Review: The LFA may, at its discretion but not more than once per twelve-month period, hold an informal performance evaluation session (the "Performance Review") that is not open to the public to review Franchisee's compliance with the terms and conditions of this Franchise. The information disclosed to the LFA by the Franchisee at the Performance Review shall be treated by the LFA as confidential. The LFA shall provide Franchisee with at least thirty (30) days prior written notice of the Performance Review to be held at a mutually agreeable time. Franchisee shall have the opportunity to participate in and be heard at the Performance Review. Within thirty (30) days after the conclusion of the Performance Review, the LFA shall provide Franchisee written documentation ("Performance Review Report") setting forth its determinations regarding Franchisee's compliance with the terms and conditions of this Franchise. The Performance Review Report shall not contain any confidential information disclosed by the Franchisee during the Performance Review.

8. <u>INSURANCE AND INDEMNIFICATION</u>

8.1 *Insurance*:

- 8.1.1. Franchisee shall maintain in full force and effect, at its own cost and expense, during the Franchise Term, the following insurance coverage:
- 8.1.1.1. Commercial General Liability Insurance in the amount of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) combined single limit for property damage and bodily injury. Such insurance shall cover the construction, operation and maintenance of the Cable System, and the conduct of Franchisee's Cable Service business in the LFA.
- 8.1.1.2. Automobile Liability Insurance in the amount of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) combined single limit for bodily injury and property damage coverage.
- 8.1.1.3. Workers' Compensation Insurance meeting all legal requirements of the State of New York.
- 8.1.1.4. Employers' Liability Insurance in the following amounts: (A) Bodily Injury by Accident: \$100,000; and (B) Bodily Injury by Disease: \$100,000 employee limit; \$500,000 policy limit.
- 8.1.1.5. Excess liability or umbrella coverage of not less than ten million dollars (\$10,000,000).
- 8.1.2. The LFA shall be designated as an additional insured under each of the insurance policies required in this Article 8 except Worker's Compensation Insurance and Employer's Liability Insurance.
- 8.1.3. Each of the required insurance policies shall be noncancellable except upon thirty (30) days prior written notice to the LFA. Franchisee shall not cancel any required insurance policy without submitting documentation to the LFA verifying that the Franchisee has obtained alternative insurance in conformance with this Agreement.

- 8.1.4. Each of the required insurance policies shall be with sureties qualified to do business in the State of New York, with an A- or better rating for financial condition and financial performance by Best's Key Rating Guide, Property/Casualty Edition.
- 8.1.5. Upon written request, Franchisee shall deliver to the LFA Certificates of Insurance showing evidence of the required coverage.

8.2. *Indemnification*:

- 8.2.1. Franchisee agrees to indemnify the LFA, the Village of Nissequogue Board of Trustees, its officers, its agents or employees for, and hold it harmless from, all liability, damage, cost or expense arising from claims of injury to persons or damage to property occasioned by reason of any conduct undertaken pursuant to the Franchise, or by reason of any suit or claim for royalties, programming license fees or infringement of patent rights arising out of Franchisee's provision of Cable Services over the Cable System other than PEG facilities and Channels, provided that the LFA shall give Franchisee written notice of the LFA's request for indemnification within ten (10) days of receipt of a claim or action pursuant to this Subsection. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Franchisee shall not indemnify the LFA for any damages, liability or claims resulting from the willful misconduct or negligence of the LFA, its officers, agents, employees, attorneys, consultants, independent contractors or third parties or for any activity or function conducted by any Person other than Franchisee in connection with PEG Access or EAS.
- 8.2.2. With respect to Franchisee's indemnity obligations set forth in Subsection 8.2.1, Franchisee shall provide the defense of any claims brought against the LFA by selecting counsel of Franchisee's choice to defend the claim, subject to the consent of the LFA, which shall not be unreasonably withheld. Nothing herein shall be deemed to prevent the LFA from cooperating with the Franchisee and participating in the defense of any litigation by its own counsel at its own cost and expense, provided however, that after consultation with the LFA, Franchisee shall have the right to defend, settle or compromise any claim or action arising hereunder, and Franchisee shall have the authority to decide the appropriateness and the amount of any such settlement. In the event that the terms of any such proposed settlement includes the release of the LFA and the LFA does not consent to the terms of any such settlement or compromise, Franchisee shall not settle the claim or action but its obligation to indemnify the LFA shall in no event exceed the amount of such settlement.
- 8.2.3. The LFA shall hold harmless and defend Franchisee from and against and shall be responsible for damages, liability or claims resulting from or arising out of the willful misconduct or negligence of the LFA.
- 8.2.4. The LFA shall be responsible for its own acts of willful misconduct, negligence, or breach, subject to any and all defenses and limitations of liability provided by law. The Franchisee shall not be required to indemnify the LFA for acts of the LFA which constitute willful misconduct or negligence on the part of the LFA, its officers, employees, agents, attorneys, consultants, independent contractors or third parties.

9. TRANSFER OF FRANCHISE

9.1. *Transfer:* Subject to Section 617 of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. § 537, as amended, no Transfer of the Franchise shall occur without the prior consent of the LFA, provided that such consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, delayed or conditioned. In considering an application for the Transfer of the Franchise, the LFA may consider the applicant's: (i) technical ability; (ii) financial ability; (iii) good character; and (iv) other qualifications necessary to continue to operate the Cable System consistent with the terms of the Franchise. No such consent shall be required, however, for a transfer in trust, by mortgage, by other hypothecation, by assignment of any rights, title, or interest of the Franchisee in the Franchise or Cable System in order to secure indebtedness, or for transactions otherwise excluded under Section 1.33 above.

10. **RENEWAL OF FRANCHISE**

- 10.1. *Governing Law:* The LFA and Franchisee agree that any proceedings undertaken by the LFA that relate to the renewal of this Franchise shall be governed by and comply with the provisions of Section 12.12 below, the Cable Law and Section 626 of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. § 546, as amended.
- 10.2. Needs Assessment: In addition to the procedures set forth in Section 626 of the Communications Act, the LFA shall notify Franchisee of all of its assessments regarding the identity of future cable-related community needs and interests, as well as the past performance of Franchisee under the then current Franchise term. Such assessments shall be provided to Franchisee by the LFA promptly so that Franchisee will have adequate time to submit a proposal under 47 U.S.C. § 546 and complete renewal of the Franchise prior to expiration of its term.
- 10.3. *Informal Negotiations:* Notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth herein, Franchisee and the LFA agree that at any time during the term of the then current Franchise, while affording the public appropriate notice and opportunity to comment, the LFA and Franchisee may agree to undertake and finalize informal negotiations regarding renewal of the then current Franchise and the LFA may grant a renewal thereof.
- 10.4. Consistent Terms: Franchisee and the LFA consider the terms set forth in this Article 10 to be consistent with the express provisions of 47 U.S.C. § 546 and the Cable Law.

11. ENFORCEMENT AND TERMINATION OF FRANCHISE

11.1. *Notice of Violation*: If at any time the LFA believes that Franchisee has not complied with the terms of the Franchise, the LFA shall informally discuss the matter with Franchisee. If these discussions do not lead to resolution of the problem in a reasonable time, the LFA shall then notify Franchisee in writing of the exact nature of the alleged noncompliance in a reasonable time (for purposes of this Article, the "Noncompliance Notice").

- 11.2. Franchisee's Right to Cure or Respond: Franchisee shall have sixty (60) days from receipt of the Noncompliance Notice to: (i) respond to the LFA, if Franchisee contests (in whole or in part) the assertion of noncompliance; (ii) cure such noncompliance; or (iii) in the event that, by its nature, such noncompliance cannot be cured within such sixty (60) day period, initiate reasonable steps to remedy such noncompliance and notify the LFA of the steps being taken and the date by which Franchisee projects that it will complete cure of such noncompliance. Upon cure of any noncompliance, the LFA shall provide written confirmation that such cure has been effected.
- 11.3. *Public Hearing*: The LFA shall schedule a public hearing if the LFA seeks to continue its investigation into the alleged noncompliance (i) if Franchisee fails to respond to the Noncompliance Notice pursuant to the procedures required by this Article, or (ii) if Franchisee has not remedied the alleged noncompliance within sixty (60) days or the date projected pursuant to Section 11.2(iii) above. The LFA shall provide Franchisee at least sixty (60) business days prior written notice of such public hearing, which will specify the time, place and purpose of such public hearing, and provide Franchisee the opportunity to be heard.
- 11.4. *Enforcement*: Subject to Section 12.12 below and applicable federal and state law, in the event the LFA, after the public hearing set forth in Section 11.3, determines that Franchisee is in default of any provision of this Franchise, the LFA may:
- 11.4.1. Seek specific performance of any provision, which reasonably lends itself to such remedy, as an alternative to damages; or
- 11.4.2. Commence an action at law for monetary damages or seek other equitable relief; or
- 11.4.3. In the case of a substantial noncompliance with a material provision of this Franchise, seek to revoke the Franchise in accordance with Section 11.5.
- 11.5. Revocation: Should the LFA seek to revoke this Franchise after following the procedures set forth above in this Article, including the public hearing described in Section 11.3, the LFA shall give written notice to Franchisee of such intent. The notice shall set forth the specific nature of the noncompliance. The Franchisee shall have ninety (90) days from receipt of such notice to object in writing and to state its reasons for such objection. In the event the LFA has not received a satisfactory response from Franchisee, it may then seek termination of the Franchise at a second public hearing. The LFA shall cause to be served upon the Franchisee, at least thirty (30) business days prior to such public hearing, a written notice specifying the time and place of such hearing and stating its intent to revoke the Franchise.
- 11.5.1. At the designated public hearing, Franchisee shall be provided a fair opportunity for full participation, including the rights to be represented by legal counsel, to introduce relevant evidence, to require the production of evidence, to compel the relevant testimony of the officials, agents, employees or consultants of the LFA, to compel the testimony of other persons as permitted by law, and to question and/or cross examine witnesses. A complete verbatim record and transcript shall be made of such hearing.

- 11.5.2. Following the second public hearing, Franchisee shall be provided up to thirty (30) days to submit its proposed findings and conclusions to the LFA in writing and thereafter the LFA shall determine (i) whether an event of default has occurred under this Franchise; (ii) whether such event of default is excusable; and (iii) whether such event of default has been cured or will be cured by the Franchisee. The LFA shall also determine whether it will revoke the Franchise based on the information presented, or, where applicable, grant additional time to the Franchisee to effect any cure. If the LFA determines that it will revoke the Franchise, the LFA shall promptly provide Franchisee with a written determination setting forth the LFA's reasoning for such revocation. Franchisee may appeal such written determination of the LFA to an appropriate court, which shall have the power to review the decision of the LFA de novo. Franchisee shall be entitled to such relief as the court finds appropriate. Such appeal must be taken within sixty (60) days of Franchisee's receipt of the written determination of the LFA.
- 11.5.3. The LFA may, at its sole discretion, take any lawful action that it deems appropriate to enforce the LFA's rights under the Franchise in lieu of revocation of the Franchise.
- 11.6. *Abandonment of Service*: Franchisee shall not abandon any Cable Service or portion thereof without the LFA's prior written consent as provided in the Cable Law.

12. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

- 12.1. Actions of Parties: In any action by the LFA or Franchisee that is mandated or permitted under the terms hereof, such party shall act in a reasonable, expeditious, and timely manner. Furthermore, in any instance where approval or consent is required under the terms hereof, such approval or consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, delayed or conditioned.
- 12.2. *Binding Acceptance*: This Agreement shall bind and benefit the parties hereto and their respective heirs, beneficiaries, administrators, executors, receivers, trustees, successors and assigns, and the promises and obligations herein shall survive the expiration date hereof.
- 12.3. *Preemption:* In the event that federal or state law, rules, or regulations preempt a provision or limit the enforceability of a provision of this Agreement, the provision shall be read to be preempted to the extent, and for the time, but only to the extent and for the time, required by law. In the event such federal or state law, rule or regulation is subsequently repealed, rescinded, amended or otherwise changed so that the provision hereof that had been preempted is no longer preempted, such provision shall thereupon return to full force and effect, and shall thereafter be binding on the parties hereto, without the requirement of further action on the part of the LFA.
- 12.4. *Force Majeure*: Franchisee shall not be held in default under, or in noncompliance with, the provisions of the Franchise, nor suffer any enforcement or penalty relating to noncompliance or default, where such noncompliance or alleged defaults occurred or were caused by a Force Majeure.

12.4.1. Furthermore, the parties hereby agree that it is not the LFA's intention to subject Franchisee to penalties, fines, forfeitures or revocation of the Franchise for violations of the Franchise where the violation was a good faith error that resulted in no or minimal negative impact on Subscribers, or where strict performance would result in practical difficulties and hardship being placed upon Franchisee that outweigh the benefit to be derived by the LFA and/or Subscribers.

12.5. *Notices:* Unless otherwise expressly stated herein, notices required under the Franchise shall be mailed first class, postage prepaid, to the addressees below. Each party may change its designee by providing written notice to the other party.

12.5.1. Notices to Franchisee shall be mailed to:

Verizon New York Inc.
Jack White, Senior Vice President and General Counsel
Verizon Telecom
One Verizon Way
Room VC43E010
Basking Ridge, NJ 07920-1097

12.5.2. Notices to the LFA shall be mailed to:

Mayor Village of Nissequogue 631 Moriches Road St. James, New York 11780

12.5.3. with a copy to:

Eugene R. Barnosky, Esq. Lamb & Barnosky 534 Broadhollow Road, Suite 210 P.O. Box 9034 Melville, New York 11747

- 12.6. Entire Agreement: This Franchise and the Exhibits hereto constitute the entire agreement between Franchisee and the LFA and they supersede all prior or contemporaneous agreements, representations or understandings (whether written or oral) of the parties regarding the subject matter hereof. Any local laws or parts of local laws that materially conflict with the provisions of this Agreement are superseded by this Agreement.
- 12.7. Amendments and Modifications: Amendments and/or modifications to this Franchise shall be mutually agreed to in writing by the parties and subject to the approval of the NY PSC, pursuant to the Cable Law.

- 12.8. *Captions:* The captions and headings of articles and sections throughout this Agreement are intended solely to facilitate reading and reference to the articles, sections and provisions of this Agreement. Such captions shall not affect the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement.
- 12.9. Severability: If any section, subsection, sub-subsection, sentence, paragraph, term, or provision hereof is determined to be illegal, invalid, or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction or by any state or federal regulatory authority having jurisdiction thereof, such determination shall have no effect on the validity of any other section, subsection, sentence, paragraph, term or provision hereof, all of which will remain in full force and effect for the term of the Franchise.
- 12.10. *Recitals:* The recitals set forth in this Agreement are incorporated into the body of this Agreement as if they had been originally set forth herein.
- 12.11. FTTP Network Transfer Prohibition: Under no circumstance including, without limitation, upon expiration, revocation, termination, denial of renewal of the Franchise or any other action to forbid or disallow Franchisee from providing Cable Services, shall Franchisee or its assignees be required to sell any right, title, interest, use or control of any portion of Franchisee's FTTP Network including, without limitation, the Cable System and any capacity used for Cable Service or otherwise, to the LFA or any third party. Franchisee shall not be required to remove the FTTP Network or to relocate the FTTP Network or any portion thereof as a result of revocation, expiration, termination, denial of renewal or any other action to forbid or disallow Franchisee from providing Cable Services. This provision is not intended to contravene leased access requirements under Title VI or PEG requirements set out in this Agreement.
- 12.12. *NY PSC Approval*: This Franchise is subject to the approval of the NY PSC. Franchisee shall file an application for such approval with the NY PSC within sixty (60) days after the date hereof. Franchisee shall also file any necessary notices with the FCC.
- 12.13. *Rates and Charges:* The rates and charges for Cable Service provided pursuant to this Franchise shall be subject to regulation in accordance with federal law.
- 12.14. *Publishing Information:* LFA hereby requests that Franchisee omit publishing information specified in 47 C.F.R. § 76.952 from Subscriber bills.
- 12.15. *Employment Practices:* Franchisee will not refuse to hire, nor will it bar or discharge from employment, nor discriminate against any person in compensation or in terms, conditions, or privileges of employment because of age, race, creed, color, national origin, sex, or any protected category of persons under federal or state law.
- 12.16. Customer Service: Franchisee shall comply with the consumer protection and customer service standards set forth in Parts 890 and 896 of the NY PSC rules and regulations.

12.17. *No Third Party Beneficiaries:* Except as expressly provided in this Agreement, this Agreement is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits on behalf of any Person other than the parties to this Agreement.

12.18. *LFA Official*: The Mayor of the Village of Nissequogue is the LFA official that is responsible for the continuing administration of this Agreement.

12.19. *No Waiver of LFA's Rights:* Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, no provision of this Agreement shall be construed as a waiver of the LFA's rights under applicable federal and state law.

AGREED TO THIS DAY OF	, 2007.
LFA:	
By: [Title]	
Verizon New York Inc.	
By:	

EXHIBITS

Exhibit A: Municipal Buildings to be Provided Free Cable Service

Exhibit B: Service Area

Exhibit C: PEG Channels

EXHIBIT A

MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS TO BE PROVIDED FREE CABLE SERVICE

Village Hall 631 Moriches Road St. James, NY 11780

Police Department 631 Moriches Road St. James, NY 11780

Nissequogue Fire Department 643 Moriches Road St. James, NY 11780

> The Knox School 541 Long Beach Road St. James, NY 11780

Justice Court 4 Woodhill Path St. James, NY 11780

EXHIBIT B

SERVICE AREA

A map of the Service Area is attached hereto.

The construction of the Franchisee's FTTP Network has been completed to approximately 52% of the current households in the Franchise Area. At present, Franchisee's anticipated schedule calls for 75% deployment by June 2007, 77% deployment by December 2007, 80% deployment by June 2008, 82% deployment by December 2008, 84% deployment by June 2019, 85% deployment by June 2010, 85% deployment by December 2010, 93% deployment by June 2011, 93% deployment by December 2011, and 100% deployment by June 2012. This schedule is subject to further review and modification by the Franchisee consistent with Section 895.5(b)(1) of the NY PSC rules and regulations; provided, however, that Franchisee shall provide notice to the LFA and the NY PSC of any material change in this schedule.

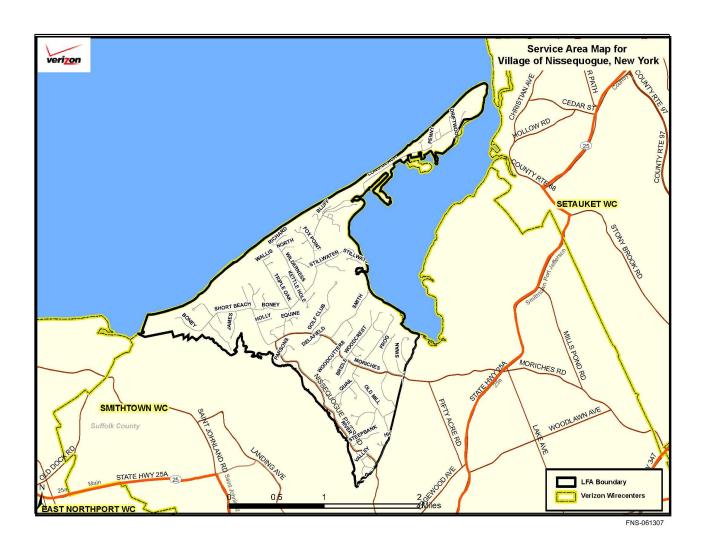


EXHIBIT C

PEG CHANNELS

Upon written request of the LFA, Franchisee shall make available on its Basic Service tier up to one (1) dedicated Public Access Channel, one (1) dedicated Educational Access Channel, and up to one (1) dedicated Government Access Channel.

Tab 2



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August 17, 2007

The Honorable Richard B. Smith Village of Nissequogue 631 Moriches Road St. James, NY 11780

Dear Mayor Smith:

Verizon is looking forward to the public hearing on August 21 in the Village of Nissequogue to consider approval of Verizon's video franchise application. It is a step in a comprehensive review process that will open the door to cable choice and advanced video technology for the residents of Nissequogue.

I respect and thank you and those who negotiated on behalf of the village for your determined efforts in reaching this high point in the franchise process. The results are commendable. Together, we have crafted a franchise agreement that is fair and equitable, competitively neutral, and consistent with Public Service Commission rulings as well as all state and federal laws and regulations.

As you prepare for the upcoming hearing, please know that Verizon is committed to meeting the needs of the community and, more importantly, to delivering a competitive, next-generation cable technology and entertainment platform to the residents of Nissequogue. I trust that the franchising team has answered all of your questions. Please feel free to contact me at the number above if there is additional information that you need.

I have enclosed information outlining the extraordinary benefits of Verizon FiOS TV - the service that awaits the approval of you and your Board.

Again, thank you for your commitment to bringing cable choice and a new video technology to the Village of Nissequogue.

Sincerely,

Azare/

CC:

The Honorable Robert P. Clemente, Deputy Mayor The Honorable Lawrence M. Kenney, Trustee The Honorable John T. Moore, Trustee The Honorable James F. Donahue, Trustee

Verizon FiOS TV

Village of Nissequogue, NY





The Village of Nissequogue Can Advance New York's Broadband Revolution.

Favorable action on Verizon's proposed cable franchise agreement positions Nissequogue to be among the first group of communities in New York to open the doors to the robust competition underway in New York's television and video marketplace.

A win for the community -- and its residents.

Benefits to the community: The competitive cable TV franchise agreement under consideration will deliver:

- **Homebuyers who actively seek out Nissequogue** Fiber to the home has become an important criterion to customers in the housing market. In communities where Verizon has deployed its fiber optic network, homebuyers favor properties served by it.
- Competitive Consumer Prices Cable rates increase less in places where cable operators face real wireline competition.
 - According to the FCC, rates for basic and expanded basic cable TV service rose by about 5% in 2005, to \$43. Those rates are up 93% over the past decade.
 - The remedy? Competition! The FCC's December 2006 report shows that in areas where there is land-based competition like Verizon FiOS TV, prices are 17% below average.
 - o And in areas where Verizon is offering FiOS TV, Cablevision has offered freebies, like free DVR service or free HBO, and steep discounts to keep customers from disconnecting. And they're offering new customers the triple play bundle for \$89.95 monthly with a one year contract. It's amazing what a little competition can do for consumers!

The Village of Nissequogue is among the first.

Deployment Commitment: Nissequogue is among the first communities in New York to benefit from Verizon's fiber-to-the-premises (FTTP) initiative. Today, this network offers Nissequogue the largest ever voice, data, and video pipeline into the home, resulting in clearer, more reliable voice connections and lightning-fast Internet connections - far faster than the most powerful cable modem connections.

Personnel and Resource Commitment: Verizon has hired new full-time employees and contractors to deliver fiber to the home in the area.

Quality Commitment: Verizon is delivering the best video offering on the market to downstate New York – and intends to do the same for the residents of Nissequogue.

Broadband. The Village of Nissequogue has a lot riding on it.



More Choices. Right Before Your Eyes.

Top 10 Reasons Why New Yorkers Want FiOS TV

- 10 It's affordable. FiOS TV is priced to compete. And that's important. The FCC has found that cable television rates have increased 93 percent over the last decade.
 - **9** It's state-of-the-art. Verizon's programming rides over an all-digital fiber-optic network to the home with the fastest connections available in the industry.
 - **8** It's in demand. FiOS TV was available to about 2.4 million homes at the end of 2006, and the company expects to attract 3-4 million customers by 2010.
 - 7 It comes with other great services. Customers in parts of our service territory are surfing the web at up to 50 Mbps using FiOS Internet Service. Customers also tell us that phone calls placed over our FiOS fiber optic network are clearer than ever.
 - 6 It's future proof. The network has enough capacity for the most demanding consumers today and plenty more for applications still on the drawing board.
 - 5 Lots of HDTV. There's nearly unlimited highdefinition channel capacity on the FiOS TV network. FiOS TV customers today have access to twice as many HD channels as many cable providers.
 - 4 It's diverse. FiOS TV offers one of the most diverse and exciting multicultural channel lineups in the industry.
 - 3 Lots of channels. Verizon's channel lineup offers more than 400 total channels, with more on the way.
 - 2 It's better. Our analog and digital television signals travel over a pipeline far more robust than cable's. Cablevision and other providers must add voice and data service to their pipeline too, leading to a tradeoff between Internet speeds or enhancing cable TV service.
 - 1 It's from Verizon. We offer the most advanced and reliable network in the country along with a legacy of providing outstanding service in New York for more than a century.

Competition Works!

You get to choose which company to use for your wireline or wireless phone service. You get to choose your Internet Service Provider. You should have the same freedom of choice for cable TV. It's choice and competition that benefit you the most.

When a true wireline television competitor challenges cable, prices for basic and expanded basic cable TV service are 17% below average. (Source: FCC Report on Cable Industry Prices, Dec 2006)

Delaying video entry by one year would cost New Yorkers \$458 million in lost consumer savings from video services alone, and these losses increase with each year of delay. (Source: Phoenix Center Policy Bulletin No. 13, Jan 2006)

Incumbent cable companies have responded with service price cuts of 28 - 42% in some areas where FiOS TV is available.

(Source: Bank of America Equity Research: Consumer Wireline Services Pricing, Jan 2006)

Support change. Let's bring true cable TV competition to New York now – not years from now. Let your voice be heard. Urge your local elected officials to vote "YES" in favor of TV choice and competition!

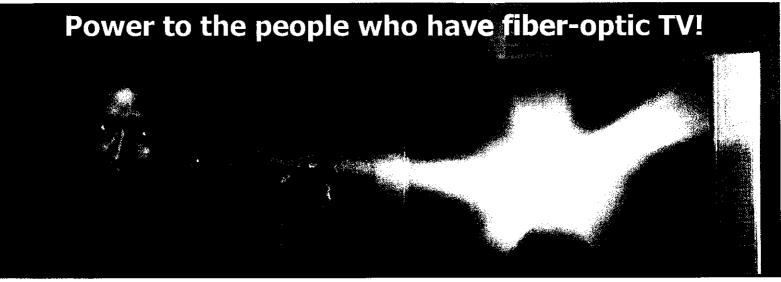
For more information, visit: WWW.Verizon.com/ny











Verizon FiOS TV takes entertainment to a level you never imagined.

More Value

FiOS TV is all about simple packages and competitive prices. FiOS TV Premier delivers an unmatched lineup with more than 200 channels of television and music entertainment. It's an even better value when bundled with our FiOS Internet Service.*

A Superior Network

Our 100% fiber optic network delivers an all digital experience with better picture and sound quality, more choices and more control. The FiOS network has far more capacity than cable's and is less vulnerable to weather outages and electrical interference - advantages that add up to a vast new dimension of bandwidth, speed and power.

On Demand

With FiOS TV, you have instant access to a library of approximately 8,600 of the latest titles; blockbuster movies, kids' shows, sporting events and much more, all at a touch of a button.

HDTV

FiOS TV offers more than two dozen high definition channels, with all of your favorite channels like ESPN, Discovery, HD Net and more!

More Control

Parental Controls allow you to block access to shows either by channel, rating or category. You can also selectively block Pay Per View and On Demand purchases, and choose to show or hide programs from the TV Listings. And these easy to use features come at no additional charge to digital service customers.

Dual-tuner, Home Media DVRs, and FiOS TV Widgets

FiOS TV gives you the freedom to pause and rewind live TV, record one show while watching another - and fast forward to your favorite part - all without a VCR, tapes or DVDs. And our Home Media DVR allows you to view recorded programs from any room in the house with a television and set-top box and easily access photos and music from your personal computer and play them on your entertainment center. FiOS TV Widgets gives you local weather and traffic on your TV screen at the touch of a button, without interrupting what you're watching.

Global Reach

FiOS TV's multicultural lineup is unmatched in the industry. Whether you choose our Spanish language tier, La Conexión, or any of the popular international premium channels, you stay connected to the world.

More channels. More choices. Verizon FiOS TV.

^{*} Programming and prices are subject to change. Applicable franchise fees, regulatory fees and taxes apply. Other terms and conditions apply.

PAY PER VIEW

702-707 ESPN-NCAA Sports/ GamePlan/Full Court





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Home & Leisure Info & Education Kids

Marketplace

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People & Culture Pop Culture

En Español

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845 Lifetime Movie Network HD

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Karaoke Channel

Playboy

WWE 24-7

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En Español

FIOS TV Help

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International Films Library Movie Trailers New Releases En Español

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"Subscription to corresponding premium channels and packages required. ***Not all local public, educational and governmental (PEG) channels may be available at the time of installation.



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New York Channel Lineup Verizon FiOS TV

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FIOS TV is frequently changing its channel offerings. To view our latest published channel lineup, please visit verizonfloe.com/tv-

FIOS TV Local

O Arts & Entertainment

O Sports

C News & Information







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Encore Mystery West

Encore Drama West



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Viejar y Vivir

Discovery en Español

Showtime Family Zone West

Showtime Family Zone

Showtime Next West

Showtime Next

The Movie Channel West

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De Película Clásico Cine Latino De Película

La Familia

TV Colombia 469

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385 Independent Film Channel

382 Flix West 384 Sundance

475 Discovery Kids en Español Toon Disney Español 474 Boomerang (ESP)*

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642 Salsa y Merengue
643 Rock en Español
644 Pop Latro
645 Mexicana
646 Americana

502 TBS 503 Galavisión 504 FX 505 Spike TV

512 SportsNet NY 513 Fox Sports en Español 514 Fox Soccer Channel

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Children

508 ESPN Deportes

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♦ MUSIC CHOICE

529 TVE Internacional 530 History Español

532 Discovery en Esperhol 531 Discovery Channel

534 Animal Planet 535 TLC (The Learning Channel) Women

603 Bluegrass 604 R&B and Hip-Hop

Classic R&B Smooth R&B

R&B Hits

601 Today's Country 602 Classic Country

600 Showcase

537 Lifetime 538 Lifetime Movie Network Shopping

540 QVC

541 HSN 543 Shop NBC Home & Leisure 545 Discovery Health 546 Viglar y Vivir 549 infinito 550 Food Network

551 HGTV (Home & Garden Television)

555 E! Entertainment Television 552 Travel Channel Pop Culture

559 Comedy Central 560 Sci-Fi Channel 357 Silv

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Classic Rock

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Party Favorites

Singers & Standards

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Big Band & Swing Solid Gold Oldies

Easy Listening

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663 I Love the 80s
664 I Love the 90s
665 Returne the 70s
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666 Rocks
667 Copera Babyon
677 Blaugnass Radio
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686 MIV Tids
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*A Spanish-language Secondary Audio Program (SAP) is available for selection.

Programming services offered within each package are subject to change, and not all programming services will be available at all times. Blackout restrictions also apply, "Subscription to corresponding premium channels and packages required.

O Lifestyle

Why stroll through a video store when you can scroll through one?

Scroll through a library of approximately 8,600 movies and shows that are waiting for you to watch. Use your remote and the Interactive Programming Guide to browse, then make your selection - it's that easy. Need to pause to get more popcorn? Fast forward to skip the scary part or rewind to see it again? No problem! You can do it all from your remote any time you want, day or night.

Free On Demand Choose from a selection of free programming -- sports, home & leisure, music,

pop culture and more - from our FiOS TV library. Channels include Disney,

Discovery, ESPN, Home & Garden, MTV and many others.

Movies On Demand Find the blockbuster movies and your old favorites at the press of a button for a

fraction of the cost of a movie ticket.

Premium On Demand When you subscribe to HBO, Cinemax or the Movie Package, you

automatically have access to original programming and shows. Not to mention,

the hottest movie releases - anytime you want.

Pay Per View Get a front row seat (your couch) to the most anticipated sporting events,

concerts, movies and much more in entertainment with our Pay Per View

listings.

You got the killer high def TV. Now get the killer high def channels to go with it.

Brilliant picture. Room-shaking sound. Abundance of HD choices. The stunning capacity of fiber optic cable delivers more of the high def programming you love, with spectacular picture, hyper-real color, and amazing clear sound. Watch your favorite sports, movies, and TV shows come alive on your screen.

FiOS TV with HDTV programming offers:

- Images up to 5x sharper than regular TV
- Unparalleled picture/sound quality and a wide-screen format
- · An expansive and growing list of HDTV channels
- Easy installation from the FiOS TV HD Set Top Box
- Dolby 5.1 digital surround sound

To get started with HDTV, you'll need a HD ready television and a FiOS TV HD Set Top Box.

Finally, regularly scheduled programs for your irregularly scheduled life.

FiOS TV brings you so many choices, you'll probably find yourself wanting to watch more than one show at a time. Or you might have seen something so incredible, you just have to hit instant replay to see it again. (Sports fans take note.) No tapes. No discs. No hassle. The days of waiting for a commercial break to get a snack are long gone with the FiOS TV DVR.

With a FIOS TV DVR you can:

- Rewind, pause or record live TV
- Record up to 85 hours of standard definition programming
- Record one show while watching another or record two shows at the same time while watching a third
 recorded show

Home Media DVR with Media Manager

- Lets customers view recorded programs from any room in the house with a television and set-top box
- Supports up to six additional televisions, with simultaneous viewing of up to three recorded shows
- Easily access photos and music from your personal computer and play them on your entertainment center where they look and sound the best



Verizon FiOS TV

Here's everything you need to create your perfect FiOS TV package. First, choose your service. Then, add to it from our selection of digital packages and premium channels below.

Refer to the Channel Lineup for a complete listing of the channels included in each package.

Service	Number of Channels	Monthly Price
FiOS TV Local ¹	15–35	\$12.99
Digital Service (Requires Set Top Box [STB] a	nd Router²)	
FiOS TV Premier ³	228 + FiOS TV Local	\$42.99
La Conexión ⁴	162 + FiOS TV Local	\$32.99

Packages* (Requires STB)	Number of Channels	Monthly Price
Sports	13	\$7.99
Movies	45	\$12.99
Sports/Movies Combination	58	\$15.99
Spanish Language	25	\$11.99

Premiums [®] (Requires STB)	Number of Channels	Monthly Price
нво•	14	\$15.99
Cinemax*	12	\$15.99
HBO/Cinemax Combination	26	\$25.99
Playboy TV [®] /Playboy TV en Español	2	\$15.99
here!	1	\$7.99

International Premiums (Requires STB)	Number of Channels	Monthly Price
International Premium Channels	14	Individually Priced

Video On Demand (VOD) and Pay Per View (PPV) (Requires	STB) Price
On Demand Movies	
New Releases	\$3.99
Library	\$2.99
On Demand Subscriptions	
WWE	\$7,99/mo.
Karaoke	\$7.99/mo.
On Demand Adult	\$14.99/each
PPV Events	Varies
PPV Sports	Varies
ESPN GamePlan — NCAA Footbali	\$21.99/daily, \$129.99 season*
ESPN FullCourt — NCAA Basketball	\$14.99/daily, \$109.99 season*

Set Top Box (STB)	Monthly Price
Digital Adapter**	\$3.99
Standard Definition (SD)	\$4.99
High Definition (includes HD channels)	\$9.99
Standard Definition Digital Video Recorder**	\$12.99
High Definition Digital Video Recorder (includes HD channels)	\$ 15.99
SD Home Media DVR (features Multi-Room DVR & Media Manager)	** \$17.99
HD Home Media DVR (features Multi-Room DVR & Media Manager)	\$19.99
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Initial installation	One-Time Charges
Existing Outlet Hookup (up to 3)	No Charge
Additional Outlet/Set Top Box Hookup (existing outlet)	\$19.99
New Outlet Install/Existing Outlet Rewire (per outlet)	\$54.99
Outlet Relocation	\$54.99
FiOS TV Activation Fee with FiOS TV/Internet/Voice Bundle	Free
FiOS TV Activation Fee with FiOS Internet	\$19.99
FiOS TV Activation Fee without FiOS Internet	\$29.99

Subsequent Installations/Charges	One-Time Charges
Premise Visit 7	\$49.99
New Outlet Installation (per outlet)	\$54.99
Outlet Relocation (per outlet)	\$54.99
Setup of TV Equipment (new TV with existing STB)	\$49.99
Downgrade of Service from Digital to Analog	\$49.99
Set Top Box Addition or Upgrade (requiring Technician visit)	\$24.99
Set Top Box Return or Downgrade with equipment drop off at Verizon authorized locations	Free
Set Top Box Return or Downgrade (requiring Technician visit)	\$29.99
FIOS TV Full Service Disconnect with equipment drop off at Verizon authorized locations	Free
FIOS TV Full Service Disconnect with Technician visit for equipment retrie	eval \$74.99

C	ne-Time Charges
6 months)*	\$24.99
\$6.99 + Shipping & Handling	
\$5.00 + Shipping & Handling	
	\$175.00
	\$240.00
	\$350.00
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	6 months)* \$6.99 + Shi \$5.00 + Shi

^{*}In addition, early subscription and half season prices are available.
**Available Fall 2007.



Service/program availability varies by location and the number of channels within each package are approximations. Pricing applies to residential use only within the United States and is subject to change. Taxes, franchise fees and other

¹ The Spanish Language package may be added to FIOS TV Local service, but requires a Set Top Box for access. The addition of a Set Top Box with FIOS TV Local service provides access to Video On Demand (VOD) and Pay Per View

⁽PPV), as well as the ability to order Premiums and International Premiums.
2 If service is cancelled within the first 12 months, router must be returned or \$99.99 equipment fee applies.
3 FIOS TV Premier includes all FIOS TV Local channels, additional all-digital programming, digital mustic channels and access to Pay Per View and Video On Demand.
4 La Conexión includes all FIOS TV Local channels, digital programming including popular English-language networks and Spanish-language networks, digital music channels, and access to PPV and VOD. La Conexión cannot be combined with the Spanish Language package.

5 in order to be eligible for Movies or Sports, FIOS TV Premier or La Conexión is required. 30-day minimum billing period required for all digital packages.

⁶ Subscription VOD is included with all Premiums at no extra charge (where applicable). 30-day minimum billing period required for all Premiums.
7 A premise visit charge is assessed when a technician installation is required to set up a new or additional TV with an existing FIOS TV Set Top Box. A premise visit charge is not assessed when adding new, upgrading/downgrading

existing, or disconnecting Set Top Box receivers.

8 Seasonal service suspension requires a minimum suspension of one month and a maximum suspension of six months.

ATTACHMENT E

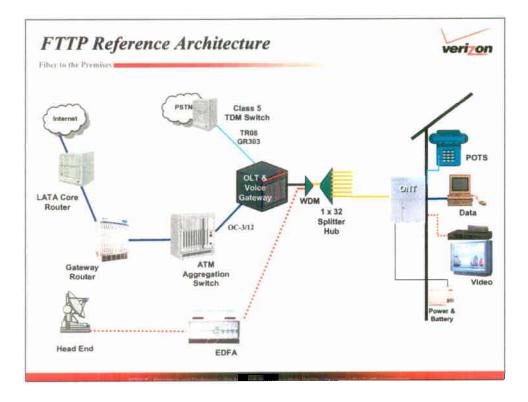
FTTP System Architecture

End-to-End Architecture

Figure 1 shows the architecture topology for supporting service across multiple market areas. A brief summary of the end-to-end architecture follows. Subsequent sections provide more information on each major component within the planned Verizon FTTP overlay architecture.

Figure 2 shows full build and overlay architecture. FTTP will be built instead of copper facilities in new communities. In existing communities, the existing copper network will continue to serve those customers who have not migrated to the FTTP network. The fiber is deployed from a Central Office location within a wire center area.

Figure 1-High Level End to End Architecture



FTTP Full Build and Overlay Architectures

Filter to the Premises

Residential

Copper Plant Splitter

Circuit Switch

No Development

No Development

Figure 2-FTTP Full Build and Overlay Architectures

At the national or regional level, a "super" headend (SHE) (Temple Terrace, Florida with a backup in Bloomington, Illinois) shall serve as the single point of national content aggregation (see Figure 1). All content shall be encoded into MPEG2 streams and transported over nationwide SONET services. In each market where Verizon seeks to offer service, the broadcast cable television traffic is off loaded from the long haul network and terminated at a Video Hub Office (VHO). Network redundancy and route diversity shall extend from the SHE to the VHO.

The VHO serves as the metro or local point of aggregation. It is here that off-air and public, educational, and government (PEG) channels (where appropriate) are combined with the broadcast cable television coming from the SHE. Interactive Program Guides (IPG) shall be controlled from this site, also. The service that exits the VHO shall look like the final product viewed by the end user subscriber.

Cable television traffic is converted to optical signals at the VHO and transported over Verizon's metro area, inter-office facilities (IOF) to Video Serving Offices (VSOs). Voice and high-speed data signals are combined with the cable television at this location for final transport to the subscriber premises over Verizon's FTTP Passive Optical Network (PON).

At the premise, the optical cable television signal is de-multiplexed and converted to an electrical signal, which meets cable television industry standards for cable services. Standard home wiring practices, using coaxial cables, as well as alternative media, shall distribute the signal to cable ready TVs and standard set top boxes.

There will be 24x7 control and surveillance of the cable television platform from a remote location. This Network Operations Center (NOC) will be centrally located and shall be responsible for the operation and maintenance of the Conditional Access System (CAS), which directs the encryption functions performed back at the VHO.

Super Headend (SHE)

A "super" headend (SHE) shall serve as the single point of national content aggregation. At general service availability, Verizon shall deploy a primary SHE and an additional SHE for redundancy.

Both the primary and redundant SHEs will be strategically located to ensure technical and environmental requirements are met.

The key functions of the SHE include:

Content Reception

Signal Processing

Encoding

Network Interface

The majority of cable television sources shall be individual content provider programming. A mix of standard and high definition formats shall be supported. All content shall be encoded into MPEG2 streams, formatted for SONET, and transported via an OC48c to a local point-of-presence (POP) for wide area (national) transport.

Wide Area Transport

In support of the cable television service, Verizon will use OC48c SONET facilities in the POPs serving target cable markets. Where multiple POPs exist within a market, redundancy options shall dictate if a single or multiple POPs shall be designated for supporting the cable television traffic.

In most cases, it is expected that the cable television traffic shall traverse multiple interconnected rings between the SHE and the destination market. Once the cable traffic reaches a POP located in a target market, it will be forwarded to an OC48c SONET interface connected to metro/local SONET facilities. These facilities shall connect the POP to a Video Hub Office (VHO). VHOs are capable of serving multiple communities within a target market. If more than one VHO is required, the metro SONET ring(s) would be deployed to cover multiple sites.

Video Hub Office (VHO)

The VHO serves as the metro or local point of aggregation. The VHO location (Queens, NY) is based on a combination of technical factors, metro fiber/IOF availability, local channel reception characteristics, and municipal regulations (e.g., zoning ordinances).

Under current network design plans, the anticipated functions of the VHO include:

WAN Interface for Cable television Transport

Ad Insertion

PEG Content

Signal Grooming and Multiplexing

Emergency Alert Service

Interactive Program Guide

Conditional Access

Local Content

The VHO shall aggregate three basic sources of content: national broadcast channels, local broadcast channels, and public, educational, & government (PEG) channels. The national content is the traffic sent from the SHE and is delivered via an OC48c SONET interface from the SONETPOP. The local broadcast channels shall be received off-air via antennas or terrestrial fiber transport located at the VHO site. The PEG channels shall be collected via terrestrial connections from each local franchising area (LFA) served by the VHO.

The final collection of content is placed into the RF spectrum between 50 – 870 MHz as either an analog AM-VSB signal or, as part of a digital multiplex, into a 256-QAM modulated carrier. Digital content requiring encryption by the CAS shall also be multiplexed into QAM modulators and combined with other analog and digital carriers. In addition, an out-of-band downstream channel is generated which carries the Interactive Program Guide (IPG), provisioning, and management messages to STBs. The combined RF signal is converted to optics and fed into erbium-doped fiber amplifers (EDFAs) at egress from the VHO. These optical cable television signals are transported on the 1550 nm wavelength of the G.983-specified Enhancement band to Verizon Video Serving Offices (VSOs).

As noted previously, it is intended that the broadcast cable television traffic/service that exits the VHO shall look like the final product viewed by the end user subscriber.

Metro Area Transport

The optical cable television signals coming from the VHO are transported on the 1550 nm wavelength over fiber available within Verizon's inter-office facilities (IOF).

Video Serving Office (VSO) & Passive Optical Network (PON)

The Video Serving Office (VSO) is a location within the central office containing FTTP equipment. The VSO that will serve the Village of Nissequogue is located in Orangeburg, New York. If technically feasible or otherwise appropriate, PEG insertion may occur at these locations in the network.

The key function of the VSO is to combine Broadcast Cable television into the Voice and High Speed Data FTTP Network.

Once in the VSO, the optical cable television signal is sent through an EDFA and then to a Wave Division Multiplexer (WDM) combiner and splitter, which is used to add the cable signal to the voice and high-speed data signals' wavelength (1490nm) – coming from the Optical Line Terminal (OLT) – together with the cable wavelength onto a single optical source. This optical signal is then sent towards the subscriber premises via a PON. The VSO will also play a role in supporting upstream signals from the customer premises for pay-per-view services. Pay-per-view usage data uses the data service's 1310nm upstream wavelength. The upstream data communications shall be sent back to a subscriber database located in the Operations Center located in the VHO.

Customer Premises

At the premise, an Optical Network Terminal (ONT) de-multiplexes the 1550nm optical signal and simply converts it to a voice, data and cable television electrical signal, which meets cable television industry standards for cable services.

ATTACHMENT F

STATE OF NEW YORK PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Petition of Verizon New York Inc. Pursuant to Section 221 of the Public Service Law for Confirmation of a Cable Television Franchise Awarded by the Village of Nissequogue, New York (Suffolk County)

Case 07-V-

AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE

STATE OF NEW YORK)

ss.:
COUNTY OF NEW YORK)

JOHN LACY CLARK, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

I certify that a complete copy of Verizon New York Inc.'s Petition for Confirmation will be sent to Mary Jane Kinney, Village Clerk, on August 22, 2007, by overnight mail addressed to her at Village of Nissequogue, 631 Moriches Road, St. James, New York 11780.

JOHN LACY CLARK

Sworn to before me this 22nd day of August, 2007.

∕Notary Public

Notary Public, State of New York
No. 43-4771951, Qualified in Kings County
Certificate Filed in New York County
Commission Expires Nov. 30, 20/4

ATTACHMENT G

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Case 07-V-

AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

STATE OF NEW YORK)	
)	SS.
COUNTY OF NEW YORK)	

JOHN LACY CLARK, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

I certify that a notice with the following text will be published on August 24, 2007 in Newsday. Newsday is a newspaper of general circulation in the Village of Nissequogue. Verizon has submitted the notice to that newspaper, has arranged for payment for such publication, and has been assured that the notice will appear in the newspaper on the specified date.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that Verizon New York Inc. ("Verizon") has filed a Petition with the New York State Public Service Commission ("Commission") seeking confirmation and approval of a cable television franchise awarded to Verizon by the Village of Nissequogue, New York. Copies of the Petition are available from the Commission or from Verizon. Interested parties may file comments on the Petition with the Commission within ten days of the date of publication of this notice. Comments should be addressed to Hon. Jaclyn A. Brilling, Secretary, New York State Public Service Commission, Three Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York 12223.

JOHN LACY CLARK

Sworn to before me this 22nd day of August, 2007

Notary Public, State of New York
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ATTACHMENT H

EXPLANATORY NOTES TO ATTACHMENT H

- 1. This Attachment H consists of: (a) a Department of Environmental Conservation "Full Environmental Assessment Form" ("EAF") for Verizon's offering of cable service in Nissequogue, New York, with Part 1 filled in; (b) an EAF Addendum providing certain additional background information; and (c) exhibits to the Addendum, including maps showing environmentally relevant features of the franchise area and a list of sites included in the SPHINX database of historic sites, as described below.
- 2. The Attachment is submitted without prejudice to Verizon's positions that:
 (a) the activities for which it seeks approval in this proceeding are not "actions" under the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA"), and that therefore no EAF is required; and (b) if an EAF is required in this case, a short-form EAF will suffice.
- 3. The EAF and the EAF Addendum are based on information in Verizon's possession or available to us through research in readily available sources. Beyond such sources, we have not undertaken any "new studies, research or investigation."
- 4. Historic site information was derived from the SPHINX database of the New York State Historic Preservation Office (*see* http://www.nysparks.state.ny.us/shpo/resources/index.htm). Coastal area information was obtained from the New York State Geographic Information Systems Clearinghouse website (*see* http://www.nysgis.state.ny.us/gisdata/inventories/details.cfm?DSID=317), as was flood plain data (*see* http://www.nysgis.state.ny.us/gisdata/inventories/details.cfm?DSID=246). Information on wetlands locations was obtained from the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service National Wetlands Inventory (*see* http://www.fws.gov/nwi/) and the Cornell University Geospatial Information Repository (*see* http://cugir.mannlib.cornell.edu/mapbrowse.jsp?series=counties). Information on "critical environmental areas" was obtained from the website of the State Department of Environmental Conservation (http://www.dec.state.ny.us/website/dcs/seqr/cea/index.html). Information on National Natural Landmarks was obtained from the website of the National Park Service (*see* http://www.nature.nps.gov/nnl/Registry/USA_Map/States/NewYork/new_york.cfm).
- 5. In response to several questions in Part 1, Verizon has indicated that the question is "Not Applicable" ("N/A") to the confirmation that is the subject of the Petition. The activities to be undertaken pursuant to the franchise for which confirmation is sought involve the delivery of video programming and, thus, do not have a definite location or "area." To the extent any construction including line extensions, placement of drop wires, extensions, and repairs takes place after the franchise becomes effective, all of the locations within the franchise area at which such activity will occur cannot be known in advance.

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¹ See Full Environmental Assessment Form at 2.

The information provided for contiguity to historic sites, etc., has been provided with respect to Verizon's FTTP facilities in the franchise area, even though it is Verizon's position that such facilities have been constructed pursuant to independent permissions and authorities.

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Appendix A

State Environmental Quality Review FULL ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FORM

Purpose: The full EAF is designed to help applicants and agencies determine, in an orderly manner, whether a project or action may be significant. The question of whether an action may be significant is not always easy to answer. Frequently, there are aspects of a project that are subjective or unmeasurable. It is also understood that those who determine significance may have little or no formal knowledge of the environment or may not be technically expert in environmental analysis. In addition, many who have knowledge in one particular area may not be aware of the broader concerns affecting the question of significance.

The full EAF is intended to provide a method whereby applicants and agencies can be assured that the determination process has been orderly, comprehensive in nature, yet flexible enough to allow introduction of information to fit a project or action.

Full EAF Components: The full EAF is comprised of three parts:

- Part 1: Provides objective data and information about a given project and its site. By identifying basic project data, it assists a reviewer in the analysis that takes place in Parts 2 and 3.
- Part 2: Focuses on identifying the range of possible impacts that may occur from a project or action. It provides guidance as to whether an impact is likely to be considered small to moderate or whether it is a potentially-large impact. The form also identifies whether an impact can be mitigated or reduced.
- Part 3: If any impact in Part 2 is identified as potentially-large, then Part 3 is used to evaluate whether or not the impact is actually important.

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DETERMINATION OF SIGNIFICANCE -- Type 1 and Unlisted Actions

Upon review of		Part 1 Part 2 Part 3 d 2 and 3 if appropriate), and any other supporting information, a it is reasonably determined by the lead agency that:
Α.	The project will not result in any large and in significant impact on the environment, therefore	nportant impact(s) and, therefore, is one which will not have a ore a negative declaration will be prepared.
В.		effect on the environment, there will not be a significant effect n measures described in PART 3 have been required, therefore prepared.*
c.	The project may result in one or more large a environment, therefore a positive declaration	nd important impacts that may have a significant impact on the will be prepared.
* A .C.	editioned Negative Declaration is only welld for t	Inlinted Actions
*A Cor	nditioned Negative Declaration is only valid for t	of Action
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	Name	of Action
Print or Type Na	Name Name of	of Action

PART 1--PROJECT INFORMATION Prepared by Project Sponsor

NOTICE: This document is designed to assist in determining whether the action proposed may have a significant effect on the environment. Please complete the entire form, Parts A through E. Answers to these questions will be considered as part of the application for approval and may be subject to further verification and public review. Provide any additional information you believe will be needed to complete Parts 2 and 3.

It is expected that completion of the full EAF will be dependent on information currently available and will not involve new studies, research or investigation. If information requiring such additional work is unavailable, so indicate and specify each instance.

Name of Action Award of Cable Television Franchise to Verizon					
Location of Action (include Street Address, Municipality and County)					
Discrete Areas within the Village of Nissequogue, NY					
Name of Applicant/Sponsor Verizon New York Inc. ("Verizon")					
Address c/o Thomas McCarroll, 158 State Street					
City / PO Albany	State NY	Zip Code 12207			
Business Telephone (518) 396-1001					
Name of Owner (if different) N/A					
Address		***************************************			
City / PO	State	Zip Code			
Business Telephone					
Description of Action:					
Activities undertaken by Verizon pursuant to the authority awarde	d by the franchise.				

Please Complete Each Question--Indicate N.A. if not applicable

A. SITE DESCRIPTION

Physical setting of overall project, both developed and undeveloped areas. Residential (suburban) 1. Present Land Use: Urban Industrial Commercial Rural (non-farm) Agriculture Other . * Although Verizon does not believe that this question applies to the activities at issue here, it has determined at Staff's request that its FTTP facilities constructed Total acreage of project area: _____ acres. in the franchise area to date have an approximate length of 12 miles. The width of the right-of-way varies by location, and Verizon cannot readily determine at this APPROXIMATE ACREAGE time the average width (and therefore the area) of the right-of-way used by Verizon. Meadow or Brushland (Non-agricultural) acres Forested acres acres Agricultural (Includes orchards, cropland, pasture, etc.) acres __ acres Wetland (Freshwater or tidal as per Articles 24,25 of ECL) acres acres Water Surface Area acres acres Unvegetated (Rock, earth or fill) acres acres Roads, buildings and other paved surfaces acres acres Other (Indicate type) _ acres acres What is predominant soil type(s) on project site? N/A Well drained _____% of site ____ Moderately well drained _____ % of site. Soil drainage: Poorly drained _____ % of site If any agricultural land is involved, how many acres of soil are classified within soil group 1 through 4 of the NYS Land Classification System? _____ acres (see 1 NYCRR 370). N/A 4. Are there bedrock outcroppings on project site? a. What is depth to bedrock _____ (in feet) ** Parts of Verizon's FTTP network in the franchise area pass historic sites. Approximate percentage of proposed project site with slopes: N/A See Addendum. ____10- 15% _____% 15% or greater____% 6. Is project substantially contiguous to, or contain a building, site, or district, listed on the State or National Registers of Historic Places? ■ Yes ** Is project substantially contiguous to a site listed on the Register of National Natural Landmarks? What is the depth of the water table? _____ (in feet) N/A Is site located over a primary, principal, or sole source aguifer? N/A 10. Do hunting, fishing or shell fishing opportunities presently exist in the project area? Yes

1.	Does project site contain any species of plant or animal life that is identified as threatened or endangered?
	According to:
	Identify each species:
2.	Are there any unique or unusual land forms on the project site? (i.e., cliffs, dunes, other geological formations?
	Yes No N/A
	Describe:
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3.	Is the project site presently used by the community or neighborhood as an open space or recreation area?
	YesNo N/A
	If yes, explain:
4.	Does the present site include scenic views known to be important to the community? Yes No N/A
ร	Streams within or contiguous to project area: N/A
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	a. Name of Stream and name of River to which it is tributary
3.	Lakes, ponds, wetland areas within or contiguous to project area: See Addendum.
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ļ	b. Size (in acres):

17.	Is the site served by existing public utilities?				
	a. If YES, does sufficient capacity exist to allow connection?				
	b. If YES, will improvements be necessary to allow connection?				
18.	Is the site located in an agricultural district certified pursuant to Agriculture and Markets Law, Article 25-AA, Section 303 and 304? Yes No				
19.	Is the site located in or substantially contiguous to a Critical Environmental Area designated pursuant to Article 8 of the ECL, and 6 NYCRR 617? Yes No				
20. B .	Has the site ever been used for the disposal of solid or hazardous wastes? Yes No N/A Project Description				
1.	Physical dimensions and scale of project (fill in dimensions as appropriate).				
	a. Total contiguous acreage owned or controlled by project sponsor: N/A acres.				
	b. Project acreage to be developed: N/A acres initially; N/A acres ultimately.				
	c. Project acreage to remain undeveloped: N/A acres.				
	d. Length of project, in miles: * (if appropriate) * See response to Item 2 on Page 3.				
	e. If the project is an expansion, indicate percent of expansion proposed. N/A %				
	f. Number of off-street parking spaces existing N/A; proposed N/A				
	g. Maximum vehicular trips generated per hour: N/A (upon completion of project)?				
	h. If residential: Number and type of housing units: N/A				
	One Family Two Family Multiple Family Condominium				
	Initially				
	Ultimately				
	i. Dimensions (in feet) of largest proposed structure: N/A height; N/A width; N/A length.				
	j. Linear feet of frontage along a public thoroughfare project will occupy is? N/A ft.				
2.	How much natural material (i.e. rock, earth, etc.) will be removed from the site? N/A tons/cubic yards.				
3.	Will disturbed areas be reclaimed Yes No No				
ı	a. If yes, for what intended purpose is the site being reclaimed?				
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	b. Will topsoil be stockpiled for reclamation? Yes No				
	c. Will upper subsoil be stockpiled for reclamation?				
1.	How many acres of vegetation (trees, shrubs, ground covers) will be removed from site?				

5.	will any mature forest (over 100 years old) or other locally-important vegetation be removed by this	project?
	Yes No	* Although it is Verizon's
6.	If single phase project: Anticipated period of construction: months, (including demolition)*	position that any further FTTP construction activity
7.	If multi-phased: N/A	in the franchise area is being undertaken pursuant
	a. Total number of phases anticipated (number)	to independent authority,
	b. Anticipated date of commencement phase 1: month year, (including demolition)	rather than pursuant to the franchise, Verizon expects
	c. Approximate completion date of final phase: month year.	to complete its build out as
	d. Is phase 1 functionally dependent on subsequent phases? Yes No	required by the franchise.
8.	Will blasting occur during construction? Yes No	
9.	Number of jobs generated: during construction N/A; after project is complete N/A	
10	. Number of jobs eliminated by this project N/A	
11.	. Will project require relocation of any projects or facilities? Yes No	
	If yes, explain:	
12.	a. If yes, indicate type of waste (sewage, industrial, etc) and amount b. Name of water body into which effluent will be discharged	
13.	Is subsurface liquid waste disposal involved? Yes No Type	
14.	Will surface area of an existing water body increase or decrease by proposal? Yes No	
	If yes, explain:	
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15.	Is project or any portion of project located in a 100 year flood plain?	
16.	Will the project generate solid waste? Yes No	
	a. If yes, what is the amount per month? tons	
	b. If yes, will an existing solid waste facility be used? Yes No	
	c. If yes, give name; location	
	d. Will any wastes not go into a sewage disposal system or into a sanitary landfill? Yes	No

e.	If yes, explain:
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L 17	. Will the project involve the disposal of solid waste?
	a. If yes, what is the anticipated rate of disposal? tons/month.
	b. If yes, what is the anticipated site life? years.
18.	. Will project use herbicides or pesticides? Yes
	. Will project routinely produce odors (more than one hour per day)?
	. Will project produce operating noise exceeding the local ambient noise levels? Yes No
	. Will project result in an increase in energy use? Yes No
	If yes, indicate type(s)
22.	If water supply is from wells, indicate pumping capacity <u>N/A</u> gallons/minute.
23.	Total anticipated water usage per day <u>N/A</u> gallons/day.
24.	Does project involve Local, State or Federal funding? Yes No
If	yes, explain:

				Туре	Submittal Date
	City, Town, Village Board	Yes	No	Village of Nissequogue Award Franchise	08/21/07*
	City, Town, Village Planning Board	Yes	■ No	* Franchise was awarded	on this date.
	City, Town Zoning Board	Yes	■ No		
	City, County Health Department	Yes	■ No		
	Other Local Agencies	Yes	■ No		
	Other Regional Agencies	Yes	■ No		
	State Agencies	Yes	No	Public Service Commission Confirmation	08/22/07
	Federal Agencies	Yes	■No		
C .	Does proposed action involve a plant	ning or zonin	g decision?	No No	
	If Yes, indicate decision required: Zoning amendment Site plan	Zoning var	,	New/revision of master plan	Subdivision

25. Approvals Required:

2.	What is the zoning classification(s) of the site? N/A
	What is the maximum potential development of the site if developed as permitted by the present zoning? N/A
١.	What is the proposed zoning of the site? N/A
5.	What is the maximum potential development of the site if developed as permitted by the proposed zoning? N/A
; .	Is the proposed action consistent with the recommended uses in adopted local land use plans? Yes No N/A
	What are the predominant land use(s) and zoning classifications within a ¼ mile radius of proposed action? N/A
•	What are the predominant land use(s) and zoning classifications within a ¼ mile radius of proposed action? N/A
	Is the proposed action compatible with adjoining/surrounding land uses with a ¼ mile? Yes No N/A If the proposed action is the subdivision of land, how many lots are proposed? N/A
	If the proposed action is the subdivision of land, how many lots are proposed? N/A a. What is the minimum lot size proposed?

10. Will proposed action require any authorization(s) for the formation of sewer or water districts? Yes No
11. Will the proposed action create a demand for any community provided services (recreation, education, police, fire protection? Yes No
a. If yes, is existing capacity sufficient to handle projected demand?
12. Will the proposed action result in the generation of traffic significantly above present levels?
a. If yes, is the existing road network adequate to handle the additional traffic.
a. If yes, is the existing road network adequate to handle the additional trainic.
D. Informational Details
Attach any additional information as may be needed to clarify your project. If there are or may be any adverse impacts associated with your proposal, please discuss such impacts and the measures which you propose to mitigate or avoid them.
E. Verification
I certify that the information provided above is true to the best of my knowledge.
Applicant/Sponsor Name Verizon New York Inc. Date 08/22/07
Signature W
Title Vice President Regulatory Affairs, NY & CT

If the action is in the Coastal Area, and you are a state agency, complete the Coastal Assessment Form before proceeding with this assessment.

PART 2 - PROJECT IMPACTS AND THEIR MAGNITUDE

Responsibility of Lead Agency

General Information (Read Carefully)

- In completing the form the reviewer should be guided by the question: Have my responses and determinations been reasonable? The reviewer is not expected to be an expert environmental analyst.
- 1 The Examples provided are to assist the reviewer by showing types of impacts and wherever possible the threshold of magnitude that would trigger a response in column 2. The examples are generally applicable throughout the State and for most situations. But, for any specific project or site other examples and/or lower thresholds may be appropriate for a Potential Large Impact response, thus requiring evaluation in Part 3.
- ! The impacts of each project, on each site, in each locality, will vary. Therefore, the examples are illustrative and have been offered as guidance. They do not constitute an exhaustive list of impacts and thresholds to answer each question.
- ! The number of examples per question does not indicate the importance of each question.
- ! In identifying impacts, consider long term, short term and cumulative effects.

Instructions (Read carefully)

- a. Answer each of the 20 questions in PART 2. Answer Yes if there will be any impact.
- b. Maybe answers should be considered as Yes answers.
- c. If answering **Yes** to a question then check the appropriate box(column 1 or 2)to indicate the potential size of the impact. If impact threshold equals or exceeds any example provided, check column 2. If impact will occur but threshold is lower than example, check column 1.
- d. Identifying that an Impact will be potentially large (column 2) does not mean that it is also necessarily **significant**. Any large impact must be evaluated in PART 3 to determine significance. Identifying an impact in column 2 simply asks that it be looked at further.
- e. If reviewer has doubt about size of the impact then consider the impact as potentially large and proceed to PART 3.
- f. If a potentially large impact checked in column 2 can be mitigated by change(s) in the project to a small to moderate impact, also check the **Yes** box in column 3. A **No** response indicates that such a reduction is not possible. This must be explained in Part 3.

		1 Small to Moderate Impact	2 Potential Large Impact	3 Can Impact Be Mitigated by Project Change
	Impact on Land			
	Proposed Action result in a physical change to the project			
site?	NO YES			
E:	Any construction on slopes of 15% or greater, (15 foot rise per 100 foot of length), or where the general slopes in the project area exceed 10%.			Yes No
•	Construction on land where the depth to the water table is less than 3 feet.			Yes No
•	Construction of paved parking area for 1,000 or more vehicles.			Yes No
•	Construction on land where bedrock is exposed or generally within 3 feet of existing ground surface.			Yes No
•	Construction that will continue for more than 1 year or involve more than one phase or stage.			Yes No
	Excavation for mining purposes that would remove more than 1,000 tons of natural material (i.e., rock or soil) per year.			Yes No

		1 Small to Moderate Impact	2 Potential Large Impact	3 Can Impact Be Mitigated by Project Change
,	Construction or expansion of a santary landfill.			Yes No
	Construction in a designated floodway.			Yes No
	Other impacts:			Yes No
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2. \ t	Will there be an effect to any unique or unusual land forms found on the site? (i.e., cliffs, dunes, geological formations, etc.)	W		
•	Specific land forms:			Yes No
	Impact on Water			
(Will Proposed Action affect any water body designated as protected? (Under Articles 15, 24, 25 of the Environmental Conservation Law, ECL)			
	NO YES			
•	Examples that would apply to column 2 Developable area of site contains a protected water body.			Yes No
•	Dredging more than 100 cubic yards of material from channel of a protected stream.			Yes No
•	Extension of utility distribution facilities through a protected water body.			Yes No
•	Construction in a designated freshwater or tidal wetland.			Yes No
٠	Other impacts:			Yes No
. V w	Vill Proposed Action affect any non-protected existing or new body of vater? NO YES		-	
E:	xamples that would apply to column 2 A 10% increase or decrease in the surface area of any body of water or more than a 10 acre increase or decrease.			Yes No
•	Construction of a body of water that exceeds 10 acres of surface area.			Yes No
•	Other impacts:			Yes No

	1 Small to Moderate Impact	2 Potential Large Impact	3 Can Impact Bo Mitigated by Project Chang
Vill Proposed Action affect surface or groundwater quality or quantity?			
Examples that would apply to column 2 Proposed Action will require a discharge permit.			Yes N
Proposed Action requires use of a source of water that does not have approval to serve proposed (project) action.			Yes N
Proposed Action requires water supply from wells with greater than 45 gallons per minute pumping capacity.			Yes N
Construction or operation causing any contamination of a water supply system.			Yes N
Proposed Action will adversely affect groundwater.			Yes N
Liquid effluent will be conveyed off the site to facilities which presently do not exist or have inadequate capacity.			Yes N
Proposed Action would use water in excess of 20,000 gallons per day.			Yes N
Proposed Action will likely cause siltation or other discharge into an existing body of water to the extent that there will be an obvious visual contrast to natural conditions.			Yes N
Proposed Action will require the storage of petroleum or chemical products greater than 1,100 gallons.			Yes N
Proposed Action will allow residential uses in areas without water and/or sewer services.			Yes N
Proposed Action locates commercial and/or industrial uses which may require new or expansion of existing waste treatment and/or storage facilities.			Yes N
Other impacts:			Yes N

		Small to Moderate Impact	Potential Large Impact	3 Can Impact Be Mitigated by Project Change
6	. Will Proposed Action alter drainage flow or patterns, or surface water runoff? NO YES			
	Examples that would apply to column 2 Proposed Action would change flood water flows			Yes No
	 Proposed Action may cause substantial erosion. 			Yes No
	Proposed Action is incompatible with existing drainage patterns.			Yes No
	 Proposed Action will allow development in a designated floodway. 			Yes No
	Other impacts:			Yes No
	IMPACT ON AIR		<u> </u>	<u> </u>
7.	Will Proposed Action affect air quality? NO YES			
	 Examples that would apply to column 2 Proposed Action will induce 1,000 or more vehicle trips in any given hour. 			Yes No
	 Proposed Action will result in the incineration of more than 1 ton of refuse per hour. 			Yes No
	 Emission rate of total contaminants will exceed 5 lbs. per hour or a heat source producing more than 10 million BTU's per hour. 			Yes No
	 Proposed Action will allow an increase in the amount of land committed to industrial use. 			Yes No
	 Proposed Action will allow an increase in the density of industrial development within existing industrial areas. 			Yes No
	Other impacts:			Yes No
	IMPACT ON PLANTS AND ANIMALS		7.	
8.	Will Proposed Action affect any threatened or endangered species? NO YES			
	Reduction of one or more species listed on the New York or Federal list, using the site, over or near the site, or found on the site.			Yes No

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	 Removal of any portion of a critical or significant wildlife habitat. 			Yes No
	 Application of pesticide or herbicide more than twice a year, other than for agricultural purposes. 			Yes No
	Other impacts:			Yes No
9.	Will Proposed Action substantially affect non-threatened or non- endangered species? NO YES			
	 Examples that would apply to column 2 Proposed Action would substantially interfere with any resident or migratory fish, shellfish or wildlife species. 			Yes No
	 Proposed Action requires the removal of more than 10 acres of mature forest (over 100 years of age) or other locally important vegetation. 			Yes No
	Other impacts:			Yes No
	IMPACT ON AGRICULTURAL LAND RESOURCES			
10.	Will Proposed Action affect agricultural land resources? NO YES			
	Examples that would apply to column 2 The Proposed Action would sever, cross or limit access to			
	agricultural land (includes cropland, hayfields, pasture, vineyard, orchard, etc.)	L.J	المبا	YesNo
	 Construction activity would excavate or compact the soil profile of agricultural land. 			Yes No
	 The Proposed Action would irreversibly convert more than 10 acres of agricultural land or, if located in an Agricultural District, more than 2.5 acres of agricultural land. 			Yes No

		Small to Moderate Impact	Potential Large Impact	Can Impact Be Mitigated by Project Change
•	The Proposed Action would disrupt or prevent installation of agricultural land management systems (e.g., subsurface drain lines, outlet ditches, strip cropping); or create a need for such measures (e.g. cause a farm field to drain poorly due to increased runoff).			Yes No
•	Other impacts:			Yes No
	IMPACT ON AESTHETIC RESOURCES			19.44.3 - 11.11.4 - <u>11.14.4 - 11.</u> 4.11.
11. W	/ill Proposed Action affect aesthetic resources? (If necessary, use the Visual EAF Addendum in Section 617.20, Appendix B.)			
E.	xamples that would apply to column 2 Proposed land uses, or project components obviously different from or in sharp contrast to current surrounding land use patterns, whether man-made or natural.			Yes No
•	Proposed land uses, or project components visible to users of aesthetic resources which will eliminate or significantly reduce their enjoyment of the aesthetic qualities of that resource.			Yes No
•	Project components that will result in the elimination or significant screening of scenic views known to be important to the area.			Yes No
•	Other impacts:			Yes No
	IMPACT ON HISTORIC AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL RESOURCES			
	ill Proposed Action impact any site or structure of historic, ehistoric or paleontological importance? NO YES			
Ех •	amples that would apply to column 2 Proposed Action occurring wholly or partially within or substantially contiguous to any facility or site listed on the State or National Register of historic places.			Yes No
•	Any impact to an archaeological site or fossil bed located within the project site.			Yes No
•	Proposed Action will occur in an area designated as sensitive for archaeological sites on the NYS Site Inventory.			Yes No

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Other impacts:			Yes No
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IMPACT ON OPEN SPACE AND RECREATION			
13. Will proposed Action affect the quantity or quality of existing or future open spaces or recreational opportunities? NO YES			
 Examples that would apply to column 2 The permanent foreclosure of a future recreational opportunity. 			Yes No
 A major reduction of an open space important to the community. 	<u></u>		Yes No
Other impacts:			Yes No
IMPACT ON CRITICAL ENVIRONMENTAL AREAS	<u> </u>		<u> </u>
14. Will Proposed Action impact the exceptional or unique characteristics of a critical environmental area (CEA) established pursuant to subdivision 6NYCRR 617.14(g)? NO YES List the environmental characteristics that caused the designation of the CEA.			
Examples that would apply to column 2 Proposed Action to locate within the CEA?			
 Proposed Action will result in a reduction in the quantity of the resource? 			Yes No
 Proposed Action will result in a reduction in the quality of the resource? 			Yes No
 Proposed Action will impact the use, function or enjoyment of the resource? 	44		Yes No
Other impacts:			Yes No

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	IMPACT ON TRANSPORTATION			
15. W	/ill there be an effect to existing transportation systems? NO YES			
E:	xamples that would apply to column 2 Alteration of present patterns of movement of people and/or goods.			Yes No
•	Proposed Action will result in major traffic problems.			Yes No
•	Other impacts:			Yes No
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	IMPACT ON ENERGY			
	ill Proposed Action affect the community's sources of fuel or ergy supply?			
	NO YES			
Ex	ramples that would apply to column 2 Proposed Action will cause a greater than 5% increase in the use of any form of energy in the municipality.			Yes No
•	Proposed Action will require the creation or extension of an energy transmission or supply system to serve more than 50 single or two family residences or to serve a major commercial or industrial use.			Yes No
•	Other impacts:			Yes No
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	NOISE AND ODOR IMPACT		· · · Wee	
17. Will the	I there be objectionable odors, noise, or vibration as a result of Proposed Action?			
	NO YES			
Exa •	amples that would apply to column 2 Blasting within 1,500 feet of a hospital, school or other sensitive facility.			Yes No
•	Odors will occur routinely (more than one hour per day).			Yes No
•	Proposed Action will produce operating noise exceeding the local ambient noise levels for noise outside of structures.			Yes No
•	Proposed Action will remove natural barriers that would act as a noise screen.			Yes No
•	Other impacts:			☐Yes ☐No
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	IMPACT ON PUBLIC HEALTH			
18. W	ill Proposed Action affect public health and safety? NO YES			
•	Proposed Action may cause a risk of explosion or release of hazardous substances (i.e. oil, pesticides, chemicals, radiation, etc.) in the event of accident or upset conditions, or there may be a chronic low level discharge or emission.			Yes No
•	Proposed Action may result in the burial of "hazardous wastes" in any form (i.e. toxic, poisonous, highly reactive, radioactive, irritating, infectious, etc.)			Yes No
•	Storage facilities for one million or more gallons of liquefied natural gas or other flammable liquids.		A 7 (A) 7 (A)	Yes No
•	Proposed Action may result in the excavation or other disturbance within 2,000 feet of a site used for the disposal of solid or hazardous waste.			Yes No
•	Other impacts:			Yes No
40 180	IMPACT ON GROWTH AND CHARACTER OF COMMUNITY OR NEIGHBORHOOD			
19. WII	Proposed Action affect the character of the existing community? NO YES			
Exa •	amples that would apply to column 2 The permanent population of the city, town or village in which the project is located is likely to grow by more than 5%.			Yes No
•	The municipal budget for capital expenditures or operating services will increase by more than 5% per year as a result of this project.			Yes No
•	Proposed Action will conflict with officially adopted plans or goals.			Yes No
•	Proposed Action will cause a change in the density of land use.			Yes No
•	Proposed Action will replace or eliminate existing facilities, structures or areas of historic importance to the community.			Yes No
•	Development will create a demand for additional community services (e.g. schools, police and fire, etc.)			Yes No

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•	Proposed Action will set an important precedent for future projects.			Yes No
•	Proposed Action will create or eliminate employment.			Yes No
•	Other impacts:			Yes No
	there, or is there likely to be, public controversy related to potential verse environment impacts?			**************************************

If Any Action in Part 2 Is Identified as a Potential Large Impact or If you Cannot Determine the Magnitude of Impact, Proceed to Part 3

Part 3 - EVALUATION OF THE IMPORTANCE OF IMPACTS

Responsibility of Lead Agency

Part 3 must be prepared if one or more impact(s) is considered to be potentially large, even if the impact(s) may be mitigated.

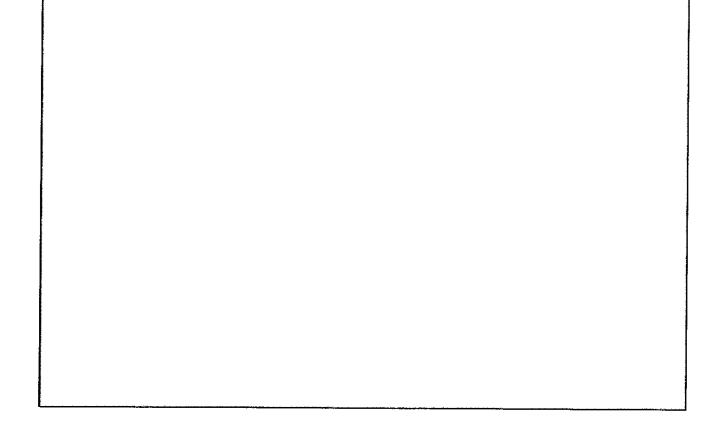
Instructions (If you need more space, attach additional sheets)

Discuss the following for each impact identified in Column 2 of Part 2:

- 1. Briefly describe the impact.
- 2. Describe (if applicable) how the impact could be mitigated or reduced to a small to moderate impact by project change(s).
- 3. Based on the information available, decide if it is reasonable to conclude that this impact is important.

To answer the question of importance, consider:

- ! The probability of the impact occurring
- ! The duration of the impact
- ! Its irreversibility, including permanently lost resources of value
- ! Whether the impact can or will be controlled
- ! The regional consequence of the impact
- ! Its potential divergence from local needs and goals
- ! Whether known objections to the project relate to this impact.





ADDENDUM TO ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FORM RELATING TO CONFIRMATION OF A CABLE TELEVISION FRANCHISE FOR THE VILLAGE OF NISSEQUOGUE (SUFFOLK COUNTY), NEW YORK

Setting

The Village of Nissequogue is located in the northeast portion of the Town of Smithtown in Suffolk County. As of the 2000 Census, the Village had a population of 1,543 within a total area of 3.97 square miles.

The Village is not within an agricultural district and not substantially contiguous to a National Natural Landmark. It is substantially contiguous to a Critical Environmental Area, namely the Nissequogue River. A list of sites included in the SPHINX database of historic sites is attached. It is Verizon's policy to conform to all applicable laws and regulations in placing its facilities, including any special requirements that may be applicable to historic sites, districts, or landmarks.

Like much of Long Island, the Village sits atop an aquifer system. The Village is within a coastal area. It has designated wetlands areas and designated 100-year flood plains. Verizon's FTTP extensions and drop wires will be placed only to serve existing or future residences and businesses and will be consistent with physical arrangements for the provision of non-video communications services (voice, data), and other types of utility service, to such areas. Video programming will be delivered over existing distribution routes and supporting structures. Moreover, cable service is already provided within the franchise area by the incumbent, Cablevision. Thus, Verizon's construction activities would not impact otherwise undeveloped areas.

Three maps are included with this addendum. The first map shows the franchise area, tidal wetlands, and the coastal area boundary. The second map shows freshwater wetlands, ponds and lakes. The third map shows the 100-year flood plains in this area.

Description of Potential Construction Activities

The Commission is being asked to approve the Village's award of a cable television franchise to Verizon. The franchise will enable Verizon to deliver video programming to subscribers over its FTTP network, which is also used for the provision of voice and data services. It is Verizon's position that the construction, extension, modification, and repair of the facilities comprising the FTTP network are independently authorized, do not require franchise authority, and are thus not included within any "action" (within the meaning of SEQRA) for which approval is sought in this proceeding. Nevertheless, at Staff's request, Verizon is providing the following information concerning work on Verizon's FTTP facilities that may be undertaken in the Village subsequent to the Commission's approval of the franchise.

Extensions of Verizon's FTTP network may take place in the Village of Nissequogue following the award of the franchise. FTTP construction in the Village's rights-of-way would relate to facilities that will also be used for Verizon's voice and data services. (Any equipment

that is utilized exclusively for the provision of cable services in the Village will be located in Verizon's central offices.) Verizon has completed the construction of its FTTP network to approximately 75% of the current households in the franchise area.

When a Verizon subscriber requests the FiOSSM voice, data, and/or video services that are available over the FTTP network, fiber drop wire is run to the subscriber's home. There are 570 households within the Village of Nissequogue that could potentially be served with fiber drops. In terms of the potential environmental impact of drop placement activities, the fiber drops that are associated with FTTP do not differ in any significant respect from the copper drops that Verizon routinely installs, maintains and on occasion replaces in connection with its current services. Moreover, fiber drops will be deployed to customers who request other FiOS services even if such customers do not elect to purchase FiOS video.

¹ In general, Verizon's outside plant may include both aerial and underground facilities. Some of the work related to the extension of FTTP facilities and the placement of drops may therefore be underground.

USN	Class.	BF	Street Address/Location/Bldg. Name	Deter.	NR Ref. No.	SR Date	NR Date	NHL Date
10351.000073	А		DURANTE, DEC #1-4734-00961/00001	Undetermined				
10351.000072	А		KEMPER PREHISTORIC 65 M SOUTH OF LONG ISLAND SOUND	Not Eligible				
10351.000071	А		NISSEQUOGUE RIVER TIDAL ESTUARY SMITHTOWN-NISSEQUOGUE: SOUND					
10351.000069	А		NISSEQUOGUE TIDAL ESTUARY NORTH SMITHTOWN-NISSEQUOGUE					
10351.000070	А		TOWN PARK PREHISTORIC SITE LONG BEACH					
10351.000074	Α		WEINSTEIN PREHISTORIC SITE 1	Undetermined				
10351.000075	Α		WEINSTEIN PREHISTORIC SITE 2 BONEY LN	Undetermined				
10351.000008	А		BEACH BLUFF PREHISTORIC SITE ON SMITHTOWN BAY					
10351.000031			BONEY LN BLODGETT CABIN (DAVID WELD NORTH SIDE; ON SMITHTOWN BAY					
10351.000009	А		BONEY LN BONEY WOODS PREHISTORIC SITE					
10351.000065	A		BONEY LN JAMES NECK - JAMES CREEK EAST SIDE OF NISSEQUOGUE RIVER					
10351.000027			BONEY LN LANE ESTATE ICE HOUSE EAST SIDE					
10351.000025			BONEY LN LANE ESTATE MAIN HOUSE NORTH SIDE					
10351.000028			BONEY LN LANE ESTATE SERVANTS HOUSE EAST SIDE; NEAR NISSEQUOGUE					

		Т	BONEY LN			
			LANE ESTATE SUPERINTENDENT			
10251 000026			NORTH SIDE; WEST OF PIT RD LN			
10351.000026		+	BONEY LN			
40054 00000			MARTINEZ PREHISTORIC SITE			
10351.000068	Α		NORTH SIDE; WEST OF WILDERNESS	Undetermined		
			BONEY LN			
10351.000064			MATHESON STEWART LANE HOUSE			
			BONEY LN			
			NISSEQUOGUE PT. BEACH CLUB			
10351.000029			NORTH SIDE; ON SMITHTOWN BAY			
			BONEY LN			
			SOMERSET TURNER WOODY HOUSE			
10351.000032			NORTH SIDE			
			174 BONEY LN			
10351.000030			ZABRISKI - BLOGETT WELD HOUSE			
			CORDWOOD PATH			
10351.000063			BUTLER STABLES ONET HOUSE			
			CORDWOOD PATH			
10351.000062			BY THE HARBOR ESTATE			
			CORDWOOD PATH			
10351.000005	Α		NISSEQUOGUE PREHISTORIC SITE			
			FARMFIELD RD			
			CALEB T. SMITH ESTATE COTTAGE			
10351.000023			NORTH END			
			HARBOR RD			
			BUTLER BOATHOUSE			
10351.000067			NORTHEAST SIDE; WEST OF			
			HORSERACE LN			
			CALEB T. SMITH ESTATE GATE HOUSE			
10351.000021			WEST OF INTERSECTION WITH RIVER			
			HORSERACE LN			
			CALEH T. SMITH ESTATE HALL HOUSE			
10351.000022			WEST SIDE			
10001.000022		+ +	HORSERACE LN			
			HOWELL HOUSE			
10351.000024			WEST SIDE			
10001.000024		+	LONG BEACH RD			
			BARN AND FARMER COTTAGE			
10351.000045			WEST SIDE; NORTH OF MORICHES RD			
10331.00045			WEST SIDE, NONTH OF WORKINGS RD			

			LONG BEACH RD					
			BERDELL - FLETCHER STABLES					
10351.000038			NORTH SIDE					
			LONG BEACH RD					
			BERDELL FLETCHER ESTATE					
10351.000039			NORTH SIDE; OFF PRIVATE RD					
			LONG BEACH RD					
			HARRIES TENANT HOUSE					
10351.000042			SOUTH SIDE					
			LONG BEACH RD					
			HOLLY BY GOLLY					
10351.000040			AT BONEY INTERSECTION					
			LONG BEACH RD					
			HOLLY-BY-GOLLY					
10351.000041			WEST SIDE					
			LONG BEACH RD					
10351.000002	Α		JAMES CREEK PREHISTORIC VILLAGE					
			LONG BEACH RD					
			LAND OF CLOVER					
10351.000034			STONY BROOK HARBOR	Listed	91NR00109	10/13/1992	8/9/1993	
			LONG BEACH RD					
10351.000003	Α		LONG BEACH ROAD PREHISTORIC SITE					
			LONG BEACH RD					
			MISS HARRIES PHANTAM FARM					
10351.000047			NORTH AT MORICHES RD					
			LONG BEACH RD					
			RASSAPEAGUE					
10351.000033			STONY BROOK HARBOR	Listed	91NR00128	10/13/1992	8/9/1993	
			LONG BEACH RD					
			SLOAN CHRISTENSEN HOUSE					
10351.000037			NORTH SIDE					
			LONG BEACH RD					
			SMITH HARE ESTATE					
10351.000046		\sqcup	NORTH OF MORTCHES RD					
			1 LONG BEACH RD					
10351.000044		\sqcup	EDMUND THOMAS SMITH HARE HOUSE					
			MORICHES RD					
			BRAGLEBRINK DAIRY HOLLAND					
10351.000059			SOUTH SPRING HALLOW RD					

		MORICHES RD					
		FROG HOLLOW SKIDMORE HOUSE					
10351.000058		FROG HALLOW LA OFF					
		MORICHES RD					
		LAWSON HOUSE					
10351.000054		EAST OF MILL RD INTERSECTION					
		MORICHES RD					
		OLD SCHOOL HOUSE					
10351.000052		SOUTHEAST OF LONG BEACH RD					
		MORICHES RD					
		RICHARD BULL SMITH CEMETERY					
10351.000048		NEAR HORSE RACE LN					
		MORICHES RD					
		SITE OF ORIGINAL PRESBYTERIAN					
10351.000066	Α	AT INTERSECTION NISSEQUOGUE					
		MORICHES RD					
		BY-THE-HARBOR: CASINO/SQUASH					
10351.000061	В	STONY BROOK HARBOR	Listed	91NR00121	10/13/1992	8/9/1993	
		MORICHES RD					
400=400000	_	BY-THE-HARBOR: MAIN HOUSE	1	0411700404	10/10/1000	0/0/4000	
10351.000060	В	STONY BROOK HARBOR	Listed	91NR00121	10/13/1992	8/9/1993	
		MORICHES RD					
40054 000050	В	RYAN, WILLIAM J., ESTATE STONY BROOK HARBOR	Lintad	04NID00407	40/40/4000	0/0/4000	
10351.000053	В	MORICHES RD	Listed	91NR00127	10/13/1992	8/9/1993	
		WOODCREST					
10351.000055	В	STONY BROOK HARBOR	Listed	91NR00126	10/13/1992	8/9/1993	
10351.000055	ь	62 MORICHES RD	Listed	91111100120	10/13/1992	0/9/1993	
10351.000050		GADE DELAFIELD HOUSE					
10001.00000		69 MORICHES RD					
10351.000051		JOB SMITH HOMESTEAD					
3333333333		70 MORICHES RD					
10351.000049		NEW SCHOOL HOUSE					
		NISSEQUOGUE RIVER RD					
		ANDERSON HOUSE					
10351.000016	<u></u>	WEST SIDE					
		NISSEQUOGUE RIVER RD					
		MALCOLM SMITH HOUSE					
10351.000011		WEST SIDE					

		NISSEQUOGUE RIVER RD					
		OSBORNE DELAFIELD HOUSE					
10351.000012		EAST SIDE					
		NISSEQUOGUE RIVER RD					
		WIEDEN KELLER HOUSE					
10351.000015		EAST SIDE; ACROSS					
		191 NISSEQUOGUE RIVER RD					
10351.000013		TAYLOR HOUSE	Individually Eligible				
		194 NISSEQUOGUE RIVER RD					
10351.000018		EDWIN MELVIN HOUSE					
		195 NISSEQUOGUE RIVER RD					
10351.000014		ADAMS BRUEMMER HOUSE					
		199 NISSEQUOGUE RIVER RD					
10351.000017		BOAT CLUB					
		201 NISSEQUOGUE RIVER RD					
10351.000019		G. PETTY HOUSE					
		207 NISSEQUOGUE RIVER RD					
10351.000020		J.E. PETTY HOUSE					
		OLD MANOR RD					
10351.000004	Α	STONY BROOK HARBOR PREHISTORIC					
		RABBIT RD					
10351.000010	Α	DELAFIELD WOODS TRENCH SITE					
		SMITH LA					
		BEACHBEND					
10351.000043		STONY BROOK HARBOR	Listed	91NR00124	10/13/1992	8/9/1993	
		SPRING HOLLOW RD					
		GORHAM PATON HOUSE					
10351.000056		OFF MORICHES RD					
		SPRING HOLLOW RD					
		HARBOR HOUSE					
10351.000057		STONY BROOK HARBOR	Listed	91NR00120	10/13/1992	8/9/1993	
		SPRING HOLLOW RD					
10351.000006	Α	SPRING HOLLOW ROAD SHELL MIDDEN					
		87 STILLWATER LN					
		PHYFE, JAMES W. & ANNE SMITH,					
10351.000036		STONY BROOK HARBOR	Listed	91NR00125	10/13/1992	8/9/1993	
		96 STILLWATER LN					
10351.000035		PHYFE PFUEGFELDER WASH HOUSE	Listed	91NR00125	10/13/1992	8/9/1993	

