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BY HAND

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Re: Case 07-V-_____

Dear Secretary Brilling:

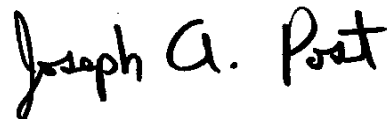
Enclosed please find an original and four (4) copies of the Petition of Verizon New York Inc. ("Verizon") for confirmation, pursuant to § 221 of the Public Service Law, of a cable franchise awarded to Verizon by the Village of New Hyde Park, New York.

The cable service that Verizon proposes to offer in New Hyde Park 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 New Hyde Park 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.

Honorable Jaclyn A. Brillling
May 23, 2007

Verizon's proposed offering of FiOS video service in New Hyde Park 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,

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cc: Village of New Hyde Park
Mr. Patrick Farrell
Village Clerk
Village of New Hyde Park
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**STATE OF NEW YORK
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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 New Hyde Park, a municipality located in Nassau County (the “Franchisor”).

The Franchise, and Verizon’s proposed offering of cable service in New Hyde Park 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 FiOSSM”) 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 (the "Hearing") on Verizon's application for a franchise was held by the Franchisor on November 20, 2006, at Village Hall, 1420 Jericho Turnpike, New Hyde Park, New York, starting at approximately 8:00 P.M. The hearing continued on May 15, 2007, and was concluded on that

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.

date. 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))

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 has no plans at this time to engage in, origination cablecasting, and Verizon will not be providing any facilities, equipment, or staff to be employed in such cablecasting. Verizon meets all of the Commission's regulations regarding the provision of PEG access channels. With respect to access cablecasting, the Franchise provides that:

Franchisee shall provide the technical ability to play back pre-recorded 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.

(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 May 24, 2007 in Newsday. Newsday is a newspaper of general circulation in the Village of New Hyde Park. 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 New Hyde Park, 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

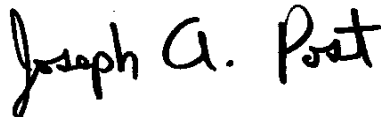
² For an explanation of the basis of this position, *see* Section II of Verizon’s October 6, 2005 petition for confirmation of a franchise granted by the Village of Massapequa Park, New York (Case 05-V-1263).

— 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.

III. CONCLUSION

The Franchise, and Verizon’s proposed offering of FiOS video services in New Hyde Park 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.

Respectfully submitted,

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JoAnne Ardisone
Notary Public, State of New Jersey
My Commission Expires
July 13, 2011

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 the 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 New Hyde Park, NY

and

Verizon New York Inc.

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THIS CABLE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT (the “Franchise” or “Agreement”) is entered into by and between the Village of New Hyde Park, 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.

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, and such additional areas as may be annexed or acquired.

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.

1.16.1. 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) revenues from the sale or lease of access channel(s) or channel capacity; (iv) video-on-demand and pay-per-view; 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.

1.16.2. Gross Revenue shall not include:

1.16.2.1. 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 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, barter, 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; any fees or charges collected from Subscribers or other third parties for any PEG Grant payments.

1.16.2.2. Except as otherwise provided in Subsection 1.16.1, 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. Should revenue from any service provided by Franchisee over the Cable System be classified as a Cable Service by a final determination or ruling of any agency or court having jurisdiction, after the exhaustion of all appeals related thereto, the LFA shall be entitled, after notification to Franchisee, to amend this Agreement in the manner prescribed under applicable state law or this Franchise to include revenue from Franchisee's provision of such service as Gross Revenue, and Franchisee shall include revenue from such service as Gross Revenue on a going forward basis commencing with the next available billing cycle following the date of issuance of an order from the NY PSC approving such amendment.

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 New Hyde Park, 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 1.31.1.1 and 1.31.1.2 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*: Franchisee is in the process of completing the upgrading of its existing telecommunications and information services network through the installation of the FTTP Network in the Franchise Area pursuant to authority granted by Section 27 of the New York Transportation Corporations Law, as amended, and Title II of the Communications Act. 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 through this Franchise over the construction, placement and operation of Franchisee's mixed-use facilities; provided, however, that nothing herein shall be construed to limit the LFA's existing authority with respect to the Franchisee's mixed use facilities pursuant to Title II of the Communications Act and Section 27 of the Transportation Corporations Law.

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, subject to the terms of Section 2.8 of this Agreement.

2.5. *Franchise Subject to Federal Law:* Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary herein, this Franchise is subject to and shall be governed by all applicable provisions of federal 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:* 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.

2.8. *Police Powers:* The LFA shall not subject Franchisee to 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 in a manner 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 its pre-existing condition.

2.10. *Restoration of Subscriber Premises:* The Franchisee shall ensure that Subscriber's premises are restored to at least their pre-existing condition if damaged by the Franchisee's employees or agents in any respect in connection with the installation, repair, or disconnection of Cable Service.

2.11. *Compliance with Village Code:* To the extent not pre-empted by federal or state law, the Franchisee shall comply with all applicable and lawful provisions of the Code of the Village of New Hyde Park, including, but not limited to, Chapter 114 (Licensing Requirements and Procedures) thereof.

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; (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 thirty-five (35) 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 respectively, 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 one hundred fifty (150) feet of aerial 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 one hundred fifty (150) feet or are in an area with a density of less than thirty-five (35) 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 thirty-five (35) occupied residential dwelling units per mile if such would not be possible within the limitations of economic feasibility. 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.

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, private primary and secondary schools accredited by the New York State Board of Regents, 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 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. 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. 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.

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.

4.5. *Parental Control:* Upon request by any digital Subscriber, and where technologically feasible, the Franchisee shall provide such requesting digital Subscriber with a parental control device. Such device will, at a minimum, offer as an option that a Person ordering programming must provide a personal identification number or other means provided by the Franchisee only to a Subscriber. Provided, however, that the Franchisee shall bear no responsibility for the exercise of parental controls and shall incur no liability for any Subscriber's or viewer's exercise or failure to exercise such controls.

5. **PEG SERVICES**

5.1. *PEG Set Aside:*

5.1.1. In order to ensure universal availability of public, educational and government programming, Franchisee shall 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 (collectively, "PEG Channels").

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 pre-recorded 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. *PEG Grant:* The Franchisee shall pay a PEG Grant to the LFA in the total amount of Forty Five Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$45,000) (the "PEG Grant"). The first payment of Fifteen Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$15,000) shall be payable within thirty (30) days of the Effective Date. The remaining Thirty Thousand Dollars and No/100 shall be payable in five equal installments of Six Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$6,000) payable on the first five (5) anniversaries of the Effective Date. The LFA shall impose an equivalent obligation to the obligation contained in this Section 5.2 on all providers of cable service in the Service Area. In any event, if any new or renewed franchise agreement contains obligations that are lesser in amount or aggregate value than the obligations imposed in this Section 5.2, Franchisee's obligations under Section 5.2 shall be reduced to an equivalent amount.

5.2.1. The PEG Grant shall be used by the LFA exclusively for cable-related costs, including, but not limited to, costs for studio facilities, studio and portable production equipment, editing equipment, program playback equipment, Internet connectivity and other cable-related costs as may be ascertained by the LFA.

5.3. Consistent with Section 895.3 of the NY PSC rules and regulations, the LFA shall not award or renew a franchise for cable television service which contains economic or regulatory burdens which, when taken as a whole, are greater or lesser than those burdens placed upon the Franchisee pursuant to this Franchise.

5.4. *Recovery of Costs:* To the extent permitted by federal law, the Franchisee shall be allowed to recover the costs arising from the provision of a PEG Grant or any other 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 foregoing, if allowed under state and federal laws, Franchisee may externalize, line-item, or otherwise pass-through interconnection and any franchise-related costs to Subscribers.

5.5. *PEG Liability.* In accordance with 47 U.S.C. §558, the Franchisee shall not incur any liability arising from or in connection with any PEG Channels.

6. FRANCHISE FEES

6.1. *Payment to LFA:* Franchisee shall pay to the LFA a Franchise Fee of three percent (3%) of annual Gross Revenue (the "Franchise Fee"). The LFA shall have the option to increase the Franchise Fee up to the federal maximum of five percent (5%) upon ninety (90) days written notice to the Franchisee. The LFA may only increase the Franchise Fee one (1) time in any twelve (12) month period. If at any time during the duration of this agreement, the LFA chooses to increase the Franchise Fee pursuant to Section 6.1, it may only do so if all other cable service providers providing Cable Service in the Franchise Area are required to pay a franchise fee at the same or higher rate as the proposed increased Franchise Fee. In accordance with Title VI, the twelve (12) month period applicable under the Franchise for the computation of the Franchise Fee shall be a calendar year. 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. *Audit:* Subject to the confidentiality requirements set forth in Section 7.1 of this Franchise, Franchisee shall be responsible for making available to the LFA for inspection and audit, all records necessary to confirm the accurate payment of Franchise Fees, whether the records are held by the Franchisee, an Affiliate, or any other entity that collects or receives funds related to the Franchisee's Cable Services operation in the LFA subject to the payment of

Franchise Fees under this Agreement, including, by way of illustration and not limitation, any entity that sells advertising on the Franchisee's behalf. Upon thirty (30) business days written notice to the Franchisee, Franchisee shall make such records available for inspection and audit at a mutually agreed upon location, within fifty (50) miles of the territorial limits of the LFA. Franchisee shall maintain such records for six (6) years, provided that, if the LFA commences an audit within that six (6) year period, Franchisee shall continue to maintain such records for the duration of any audit in progress at the end of that six (6) year period. The LFA shall conduct all audits expeditiously, and neither the LFA nor Franchisee shall unreasonably delay the completion of an audit. The LFA's audit expenses shall be borne by the LFA unless the audit determines that the payment to the LFA should be increased by five percent (5%) or more in the audited period, in which case the reasonable and customary costs of the audit, together with any additional amounts due to the LFA as a result of such audit, shall be paid by Franchisee to the LFA within sixty (60) days following written notice to Franchisee by the LFA of the underpayment, which notice shall include a copy of the audit report; provided, however, that Franchisee's obligation to pay or reimburse the LFA's audit expenses shall not exceed an aggregate of Five Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$5,000). If re-computation results in additional revenue to be paid to the LFA, such amount shall be subject to interest charges computed from the due date, at the then-current rate set forth in Section 5004 of the New York Civil Practice Law and Rules (which as of the date of execution of this Agreement is nine percent (9%) per annum) during the period such unpaid amount is owed. If the audit determines that there has been an overpayment by Franchisee, the Franchisee may credit any overpayment against its next quarterly payment. Said audit shall be conducted by an independent third party and no auditor so employed by the LFA shall be compensated on a success based formula, e.g., payment based on a percentage of an underpayment, if any. The LFA shall not conduct an audit more frequently than once every three (3) years.

6.4. *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 can not exceed the date of records retention reflected in Section 7.

6.5. *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. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Franchisee bundles Cable Service with Non-Cable Service, the Franchisee agrees that it will not intentionally or unlawfully allocate such revenue for the purpose of evading Franchise Fee payments under this franchise. The parties agree that tariffed telecommunications services that cannot be discounted by state or federal law or regulation are to be excluded from the bundled discount allocation basis.

6.6. *Section 626 Set-Off:* The Franchise Fee as defined herein shall not constitute a set off against the special franchise tax as provided for in N.Y. Real Property Tax Law Section 626. The operation of this subparagraph shall be strictly limited to Franchise Fees lawfully imposed upon Cable Service, and shall not be construed to affect the Franchisee's rights

under any provision of state or federal law regarding the provision of services other than Cable Service.

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.

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, Employer's Liability Insurance, and excess liability or umbrella coverage.

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, its officers, agents, boards, elected officials and employees, for, and hold 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 of royalties, programming license fees, or infringement of copyright or patent rights arising from the Franchisee's provision of Cable Services over the Cable System other than programming provided by the LFA, 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 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 1.31 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 12.11 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, in accordance with 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. *Liquidated Damages:* For the violation of any of the following provisions of this Franchise, liquidated damages shall be paid by the Franchisee to the LFA. Any such liquidated damages shall be assessed as of the date that is sixty (60) days from the Franchisee’s receipt of the Noncompliance Notice, provided that the Franchisee has not cured the noncompliance upon which the Noncompliance Notice was issued, in accordance with the procedures set forth in Sections 11.1 and 11.2 above. On an annual basis from the Effective Date, the Franchisee shall not be liable for liquidated damages that exceed Five Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$5,000). Liquidated damages shall be assessed as follows:

For failure to provide PEG Services to residents of the LFA
specified in Section 5.1\$50 per day for each day the
.....violation continues;

For failure to provide LFA with any reports or
records required by the Agreement
within the time period required.....\$25 per day for each day the
.....violation continues;

For failure to carry the insurance specified in
Section 8.1.1.....\$50 per day for each day the
.....violation continues; and

For failure to obtain or maintain the Security specified in Section 11.7.....\$25 per day.

11.3.1. Any liquidated damages assessed pursuant to this section shall not be a limitation upon any other provisions of this Franchise and applicable law, including revocation, or any other statutorily or judicially imposed penalties or remedies; provided, however, that in the event that the LFA collects liquidated damages for a specific breach for a specific period of time, pursuant to this Section 11.3, the collection of such liquidated damages shall be deemed to be the exclusive remedy for that specific breach for such specific period of time only.

11.3.2. The parties agree that each case of non-compliance as set forth in this Section 11.3 shall result in damage to the LFA, compensation for which will be difficult to ascertain. The parties agree that the liquidated damages in the amounts set forth in this Section 11.3 are fair and reasonable compensation for such damage.

11.4. *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 thirty (30) 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.

11.5. *Enforcement:* Subject to Section 12.11 below and applicable federal and state law, in the event the LFA, after the public hearing set forth in Section 11.4, determines that Franchisee is in default of any provision of this Franchise, the LFA may:

11.5.1. Seek specific performance of any provision, which reasonably lends itself to such remedy, as an alternative to damages; or

11.5.2. Commence an action at law for monetary damages or seek other equitable relief; or

11.5.3. In the case of a substantial noncompliance with a material provision of this Franchise, seek to revoke the Franchise in accordance with Section 11.6.

11.6. *Revocation Hearing:* At the designated public hearing at which the LFA has informed the Franchisee that revocation is a possible consequence, in accordance with the written notice requirements set forth in Section 11.4 hereof, 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.

11.6.1. Following the public hearing at which revocation is a possible consequence, 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.

11.7. *Security:* Within fifteen (15) days after the Effective Date, the Franchisee shall provide to the LFA security for the performance of its obligations under this Agreement in the amount of Fifty Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$50,000) (the "Security"). The form of this Security may, at the Franchisee's option, be a performance bond, letter of credit, cash deposit, cashier's check or any other security acceptable to the LFA. If the Franchisee posts a performance bond, it shall be substantially in the form of Exhibit D attached hereto.

11.7.1. At the Franchisee's option the performance bond may be replaced with a substantially similar performance bond which, rather than having an annual term that can be extended for additional annual terms at the option of the surety, shall be cancelable by the surety giving not less than sixty (60) days written notice to the LFA, as obligee, stating therein the effective date of such termination or cancellation and providing that such notice shall not limit or terminate any obligations resulting from default by the Franchisee, as principal, that may have accrued under the performance bond as a result of default by the Franchisee prior to the effective date of such termination.

11.7.2. In the event that a performance bond provided pursuant to this Section is not renewed or is canceled, the Franchisee shall provide new security pursuant to this Section within thirty (30) days of such cancellation or failure to renew.

11.7.3. Neither cancellation, nor termination, nor refusal by surety to extend the performance bond, nor inability of the Franchisee to file a replacement performance bond or replacement security for its obligations, shall constitute a loss to the LFA recoverable under the performance bond.

11.8. *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.

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:

Office of the Mayor
New Hyde Park Village Hall
1420 Jericho Turnpike
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

12.5.3. with a copy to:

Office of the Village Attorney
New Hyde Park Village Hall
1420 Jericho Turnpike
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

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. The LFA shall not subject the Franchisee to any local laws or parts of local laws that materially conflict with the provisions of 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:* With the exception of the “material provisions” of this Agreement, 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. For purposes of this Agreement, the term “material provision” or “material provisions” shall mean the terms set forth in Section 2.3 (Effective Date and Term), Article 3

(Provision of Cable Service), Subsection 4.2 (System Characteristics), Section 7.1 (Open Books and Records), and Article 9 (Transfer of 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, or sex.

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. *Identification of Franchisee's Employees, Vehicles & Contractors*. The Franchisee shall require all the Franchisee personnel, contractors and subcontractors contacting Subscribers or potential Subscribers outside the office of the Franchisee to wear a clearly visible identification card bearing their name and photograph.

12.17.1. The Franchisee shall make reasonable effort to account for all identification cards at all times.

12.17.2. The Franchisee shall require all the Franchisee representatives to wear appropriate clothing while working at a Subscriber's premises.

12.17.3. The Franchisee shall require that all service vehicle of the Franchisee and its contractors or subcontractors be clearly identified as such to the public. Specifically, the Franchisee vehicles shall be required to have the Franchisee's logo plainly visible. The Franchisee shall require that all contractors and subcontractors working for the Franchisee shall have the contractor's/subcontractor's name plus markings (such as a magnetic door sign) indicating they are under contract to the Franchisee.

12.18. *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.

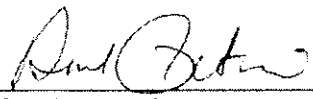
12.19. *LFA Official:* The Mayor of the LFA is the LFA official that is responsible for the continuing administration of this Agreement.

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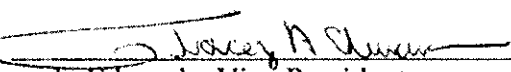
12.20. *No Waiver of LFA's Rights:* Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, no provision of this Agreement shall be construed as a waiver of the LFA's rights under applicable federal and state law.


AGREED TO THIS 15 DAY OF MAY, 2007.

Village of New Hyde Park:

By: 
Daniel P. Petruccio, Mayor

Verizon New York Inc.

By: 
Tracey A. Edwards, Vice President

FORM APPROVED
Attorney 
Date 5/15/07

EXHIBITS

Exhibit A: Municipal Buildings to be Provided Free Cable Service

Exhibit B: Service Area

Exhibit C: PEG Channels

Exhibit D: Security

EXHIBIT A

MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS TO BE PROVIDED FREE CABLE SERVICE

Village Hall
1420 Jericho Turnpike
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

Village Public Works Building
498 Stewart Avenue
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

Memorial Field Fieldhouse
Albert Street
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

Hillside Public Library
155 Lakeville Road
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

New Hyde Park Road School
New Hyde Park Road
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

New Hyde Park Volunteer Fire Department
South Fifth Street
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

New Hyde Park Volunteer Fire Department
1555 Jericho Turnpike
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

EXHIBIT B

SERVICE AREA

The Service Area shall be the Franchise Area. A map of the Service Area is attached hereto.

The construction of the Franchisee's FTTP Network has been completed to approximately 85% of the current households in the Franchise Area. At present, Franchisee's anticipated schedule calls for 90% deployment by June 2007; 91% deployment by December 2007; 93% deployment by June 2008; 94% deployment by December 2008; 95% deployment by June 2009; 97% deployment by December 2009; 98% deployment by June 2010; 98% deployment by December 2010; 99% deployment by June 2011; 99% 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.



Service Area Map for Village of New Hyde Park, New York

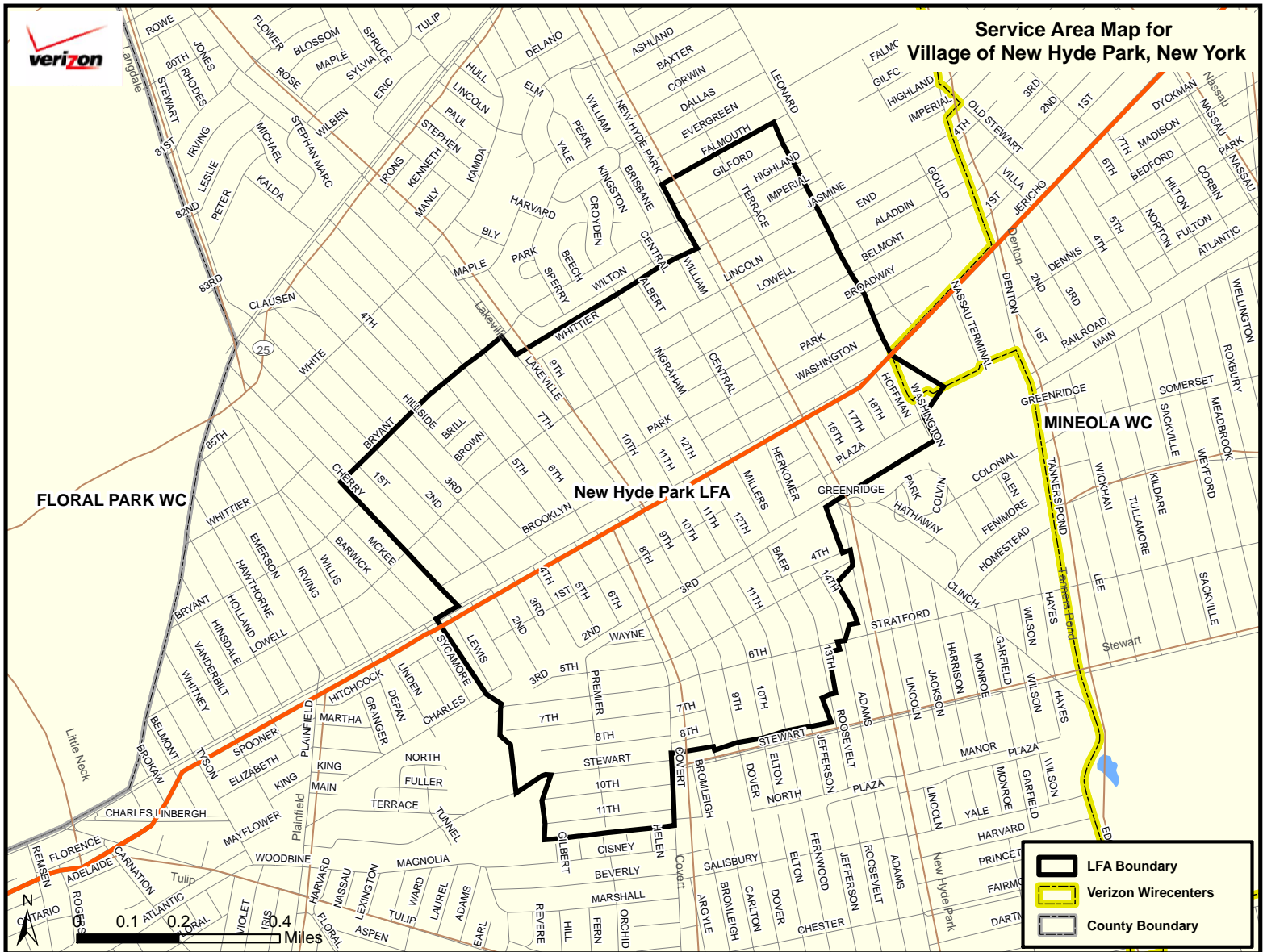


EXHIBIT C

PEG CHANNELS

Upon written request from the LFA, Franchisee shall make available on the 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 (collectively, “PEG Channels”).

EXHIBIT D

SECURITY

SAMPLE
Franchise Bond
Bond No. _____

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That (name & address) (hereinafter called the Principal), and (name and address) (hereinafter called the Surety), a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of (state), are held and firmly bound unto (name & address) (hereinafter called the Obligee), in the full and just sum of _____ Dollars (\$_____), the payment of which sum, well and truly to be made, the said Principal and Surety bind themselves, their heirs, administrators, executors, and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

WHEREAS, the Principal and Obligee have entered into a Franchise Agreement dated _____ which is hereby referred to and made a part hereof.

WHEREAS, said Principal is required to perform certain obligations under said Agreement.

WHEREAS, the Obligee has agreed to accept this bond as security against default by Principal of performance of its obligations under said Agreement during the time period this bond is in effect.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CONDITION OF THIS OBLIGATION IS SUCH that if the Principal shall perform its obligations under said Agreement, then this obligation shall be void, otherwise to remain in full force and effect, unless otherwise terminated, cancelled or expired as hereinafter provided.

PROVIDED HOWEVER, that this bond is executed subject to the following express provisions and conditions:

1. In the event of default by the Principal, Obligee shall deliver to Surety a written statement of the details of such default within 30 days after the Obligee shall learn of the same, such notice to be delivered by certified mail to address of said Surety as stated herein.
2. This bond is for the annual term beginning _____ and ending _____, and may be extended for additional annual terms at the sole option of the surety.
3. Neither cancellation, termination nor refusal by Surety to extend this bond, nor inability of Principal to file a replacement bond or replacement security for its obligations under said Agreement, shall constitute a loss to the Obligee recoverable under this bond.
4. No claim, action, suit or proceeding shall be instituted against this bond unless same be brought or instituted and process served within one year after termination or cancellation of this bond.

Accepted by Obligee: _____
(Signature & date above - Print Name, Title below)

ATTACHMENT B

INC. VILLAGE OF NEW HYDE PARK

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

RESOLUTION NO. 06-171

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CABLE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT WITH VERIZON NEW YORK INC., VERIZON TELECOM, ONE VERIZON WAY, ROOM VC43E010, BASKIN RIDGE, NJ 07920-12097

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Village Board authorizes the Mayor to enter into a cable franchise agreement with Verizon New York Inc. to provide cable television service to the Village of New Hyde Park community.

UPON MOTION MADE BY TR. LOFARO, SECONDED BY TR. COPPOLA

the foregoing RESOLUTION was Tabled/ X /Adopted/ Defeated upon the following roll call vote of the members of the Board.

Member	Absent	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Trustee Coppola:	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Trustee Lofaro:	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Trustee Barbieri:	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Trustee Montreuil:	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Mayor Petruccio:	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

Dated: New Hyde Park, New York

May 15, 2007

ATTEST: 
Village Clerk-Treasurer

ATTACHMENT C

Affidavit of Publication

County of Nassau

SS

State of New York,

Ilse Hirseland, being duly sworn, deposes and says that she is the principal Clerk of the Publisher of

The ILLUSTRATED NEWS

a weekly newspaper published at Mineola in the county of Nassau, in the State of New York, and that a notice, a printed copy of which is hereunto annexed, has been published in said newspapers once in each week for

1 weeks, viz:

November 10, 2006

**LEGAL NOTICE
PUBLIC HEARING
INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF
NEW HYDE PARK**
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of New Hyde Park will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, November 20, 2006, at 8:00 p.m., at the Village Hall, 1420 Jericho Turnpike, New Hyde Park, New York 11040, or at some other location to be hereafter designated by the Board of Trustees, in order to receive public comment to consider the application of Verizon New York Inc. for a cable television franchise in the Village." At the aforesaid time and place, all interested persons will be given an opportunity to be heard.
By Order of the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of New Hyde Park
Patrick E. Farrell
Village Clerk-Treasurer
Dated: November 7, 2006
11-10-2006-1T-#5987-NIN

Ilse Hirseland

Sworn to me this 10 day of

November-2006

Shari M. Egnasko

Notary Public

Shari M. Egnasko
Notary Public, State of New York
No. 01EG6119807
Qualified in Nassau County
Commission Expires Dec. 6, 2008

Litmor Publishing Corp.

Affidavit of Publication

County of Nassau,
State of New York, } ss:

Stella DeMartino, being duly sworn, deposes and says that she is the Principal Clerk of The Publisher of

The New Hyde Park Herald Courier

a weekly newspaper published at New Hyde Park in the County of Nassau, in the State of New York, and that a notice, a printed copy of which is hereto annexed, has been published in said newspaper once in each week for

One weeks, via:

Legal Ad 4578

Insert 11/10/06

Sworn to before me this 10th day

of November, 2006

Margaret M. Norris

Notary Public Notary Public in and for Nassau County.

State of New York

No. 01ND6025757

Qualified in Suffolk County

Commission Expires 6/1/07

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Patrick E. Farrell
Village Clerk-Treasurer
NHP 4578
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Incorporated Village of New Hyde Park Village Hall

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Daniel P. Petruccio
Mayor

Trustees:
Richard A. Coppola, Jr.
Robert A. Lofaro
Donald B. Barbieri
Lawrence J. Montreuil

Christopher Devane
Village Justice

Patrick E. Farrell
Village Clerk-Treasurer

James J. McCloat
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Department of
Public Works

Sam Horowitz
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Building Department

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By Order of the Board of
Trustees of the Incorporated
Village of New Hyde Park

Patrick E. Farrell
Village Clerk-Treasurer
Dated: November 7, 2006

ATTACHMENT D

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

1. 11/7/06 Correspondence from Verizon's outside counsel, Nia McDonald of Wiley Rein & Fielding LLP, to Village Clerk, Patrick Farrell, enclosing Verizon's application for a cable television franchise
2. 11/7/06 Correspondence from Verizon's outside counsel, Nia McDonald of Wiley Rein & Fielding LLP, to Village Attorney, John Spellman, enclosing Verizon's application for a cable television franchise
3. 11/9/06 Correspondence from Verizon's outside counsel, Nia McDonald of Wiley Rein & Fielding LLP, to Village Attorney, John Spellman, enclosing Verizon's proposed franchise agreement
4. 11/9/06 Correspondence from Verizon's outside counsel, Nia McDonald of Wiley Rein & Fielding LLP, to Village Clerk, Patrick Farrell, enclosing Verizon's proposed franchise agreement
5. 11/14/06 Correspondence from Verizon's outside counsel, Nia McDonald of Wiley Rein & Fielding LLP, to Village officials, regarding the November 20 public hearing and Cablevision's anticipated claims
6. 11/15/06 Correspondence from Verizon's Senior Vice President, Monica Azare, to the Village Mayor, Daniel Petruccio, regarding the November 20 public hearing and enclosing an information sheet outlining the benefits of Verizon FiOS TV service
7. 11/17/06 Correspondence from Verizon's outside counsel, Nia McDonald of Wiley Rein & Fielding LLP, to Village Attorney, John Spellman, enclosing a revised franchise agreement
8. 4/23/07 Correspondence from Verizon's outside counsel, Nia McDonald of Wiley Rein LLP, to Village Attorney, John Spellman, enclosing a revised franchise agreement in clean and blackline formats
9. 5/4/07 Correspondence from Verizon's outside counsel, Nia McDonald of Wiley Rein LLP, to Village Attorneys, Benjamin Truncale and John Spellman, enclosing a revised franchise agreement in clean and blackline formats
10. 5/9/07 Correspondence from Verizon's outside counsel, Nia McDonald of Wiley Rein LLP, to Village Attorneys, Benjamin Truncale and John Spellman, enclosing Exhibit B and the service area map
11. 5/9/07 Correspondence from Verizon's outside counsel, Nia McDonald of Wiley Rein LLP, to Village Clerk, Patrick Farrell, enclosing the final proposed franchise agreement

Tab 1



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November 7, 2006

Nia Y. McDonald
202.719.4633
nmcdonal@wrf.com

VIA OVERNIGHT DELIVERY

Patrick Farrell, Village Clerk
Village of New Hyde Park
New Hyde Park Village Hall
1420 Jericho Turnpike
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

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

Dear Mr. Farrell:

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

A proposed Cable Franchise Agreement by and between the Village of New Hyde Park and Verizon New York Inc. will follow under separate cover by the end of this week.

Please contact me at (202) 719-4633 should you have any questions.

Best regards,

Nia Y. McDonald

Enclosure

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 New Hyde Park (“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-Sample Channel Lineup.”¹

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), in order to ensure universal availability of public, educational and government programming, upon written request, Franchisee shall 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 (collectively, “PEG Channels”).

¹ Please note that the channel line-up set forth in Exhibit 2 is a sample and is subject to modification for the Municipality. Once the channel line-up is finalized, Verizon NY will provide it to the Municipality.

- (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.

- (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 or is in the process of completing the construction of its fiber to the premises ("FTTP") network to approximately 30% 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 ("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 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: Village of Massapequa Park (Nassau County); Village of Nyack (Rockland County); Village of South Nyack (Rockland County); Village of Upper Nyack (Rockland County); Town of Hempstead (Nassau County); Village of Cedarhurst (Nassau County); Town of Oyster Bay (Nassau County); Village of Laurel Hollow (Nassau County); Village of Grand View-on-Hudson (Rockland County); Village of Lynbrook (Nassau County); Village of Mineola (Nassau County); Town of Clarkstown (Rockland County); Town of Greenburgh (Westchester County); Village of East Rockaway (Nassau County); Town of Smithtown (Suffolk County); Village of Farmingdale (Nassau County); Town of Huntington (Suffolk County); Village of Valley Stream (Nassau County); and Village of Irvington (Westchester County).

The 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 17, 2006; (5) Hempstead - May 17, 2006; (6) Cedarhurst- June 22, 2006; (7) Oyster Bay-June 23, 2006; (8) Laurel Hollow – August 24, 2006; (9) Grand View-on-Hudson – August 24, 2006; (10) Clarkstown – September 21, 2006; (11) Lynbrook – September 21, 2006; (12) Mineola – September 21, 2006; (13) Greenburgh – October 19, 2006; and (14) East Rockaway – October 19, 2006.

Furthermore, other subsidiaries of Verizon Communications Inc. were awarded cable television franchises by the following franchising authorities:

California:	City of Beaumont; City of Murietta; Town of Apple Valley; City of Hermosa Beach; City of Lake Elsinore; City of Temecula; City of Manhattan Beach; City of Perris; City of Camarillo; City of Banning; City of Malibu; City of Ontario; City of Thousand Oaks; City of Los Alamitos; City of Redlands
Delaware:	Town of Bellefonte; Town of Odessa; City of Delaware; Town of Townsend; City of Newark
Florida:	City of Temple Terrace; Manatee County; Hillsborough County; City of Bradenton; Pasco County; City of Tampa; City of Oldsmar; Sarasota County
Maryland:	Howard County; City of Bowie; City of Laurel; Anne Arundel County
Massachusetts:	City of Woburn; Town of Reading; Town of Lynnfield; Town of Wakefield; Town of Hamilton; Town of Wenham; Town of Tewksbury; Town of Winchester; Town of Burlington; Town of North Reading; Town of Stoneham; Town of Ipswich; Town of Marion; Town of Mattapoisett; Town of Rochester; Town of Hopkinton; Town of Lincoln; Town of Lexington; Town of Boxford; Town of Belmont; Town of Acton; Town of Andover; Town of Boxborough; Town of Nahant; Town of Tyngsboro; Town of West Newbury
Pennsylvania:	Hulmeville Borough; Valley Township; Schwenksville Borough; Thornbury Township (West Chester County); Thornbury Township (Delaware County); East Marlborough Township; Worcester Township; Modena Borough; Lansdale Borough; Perkiomen Township; Hatfield Borough; West Goshen Township; Westtown Township; Lower Frederick Township; Uwchlan Township; Collegeville Borough; Skippack Township; Lower Gwynedd Township; West Chester Township; Montgomery Township; West Brandywine Township; Hatfield Township; West Bradford Township; Marlborough Township; Limerick Township; Ambler Borough; Upper Uwchlan Township; West Pikeland Township; South Coatesville Borough; Towamencin Township; Hilltown Township; Bedminster Township; Bensalem Township; Doylestown Borough; Doylestown Township; Dublin Borough; East Rockhill Township; Langhorne Borough; Lower Southampton Township; New Britain Borough; New Britain Township; Newton

Township; Plumstead Township; Silverdale Borough; Upper Makefield Township; Upper Southampton Township; Warminster Township; Warwick Township; West Rockhill Township; Wrightstown Township; Birmingham Township; Charlestown Township; East Pikeland Township; East Whiteland Township; Easttown Township; Pocopson Township; Schuylkill Township; Tredyffrin Township; Willistown Township; Cain Township; East Bradford Township; Bethel Township; Radnor Township; Upper Gwynedd Township; Upper Salford Township; Cheltenham Township; Conshohocken Borough; East Norriton Township; Hatboro Township; Horsham Township; Lower Moreland Township; Lower Providence Township; Lower Salford Township; North Wales Borough; Rockledge Borough; Springfield Township; Upper Moreland Township; Whitpain Township

Texas: **City of Keller; City of Westlake; City of Sachse; City of Wylie;**

Public Utility Commission of Texas – State-Issued Certificate of Franchise Authority for all or portions of the following 21 municipalities: Allen; Carrollton; Colleyville; Coppell; Denton (City); Double Oak; Flower Mound; Ft. Worth; Garland; Grapevine; Hebron; Highland Village; Irving; Lewisville; Lucas; Murphy; Parker; Plano; Rowlett; Southlake; and St. Paul (See Public Utility Commission of Texas Notice of Approval regarding Project No. 31817 dated October 21, 2005); Collin County; Dallas County; Denton County; Tarrant County; City of Corinth

Virginia: **Quantico Marine Corps Base; Town of Herndon; Fairfax County; City of Fairfax; Fort Belvoir Army Base; City of Falls Church; Town of Dumfries; Prince William County; Arlington County; Henrico County; Loudon County; Town of Leesburg; Spotsylvania County**

- (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 2005 revenues in excess of \$75 billion. A copy of the 2005 Form 10-K of Verizon Communications Inc. can be accessed via the following internet address:

http://investor.verizon.com/sec/sec_frame.aspx?FilingID=4275196.

A copy of the Verizon Communications Inc. 2005 Annual Report to Shareholders can be accessed via the following internet address:

<http://investor.verizon.com/financial/annual/2005/index.html>.

- (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

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- Service Overview
 - Product Offer
 - Service Delivery/Connection Method
- FTTP System Architecture
 - End-to-End Architecture
 - 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 three million homes with FTTP in sixteen states by the end of 2005, and the Company has announced that it intends to pass an additional three million homes in 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:

- Analog channel tier, including local and Education and Government (EG) channels as requested by and as negotiated with the community
- Digital channel 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 analog and digital channels. The analog tier will be carried “in the clear” (i.e. will not require the use of a set-top-box (STB) for receipt of service) and will include local, educational/government (EG) channels and select cable channels. The digital channel line-up will duplicate the analog line-up (so called “dual carry”) and will include 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. For digital tiers, a STB will be required for receipt of service. Customers will be charged a monthly recurring fee for each box 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. Verizon will notify the Municipality of the final channel line-up prior to service offering.

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: Analog

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: Digital - New Install

Installation per the analog method will be done. In addition, the technician also 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.

Connection Method: Digital - Set Top Box

When a set top box is installed the technician will call the service center at which point the digital 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: Digital - PPV

Customers must have at least one set top box to have access to the service. The customer 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

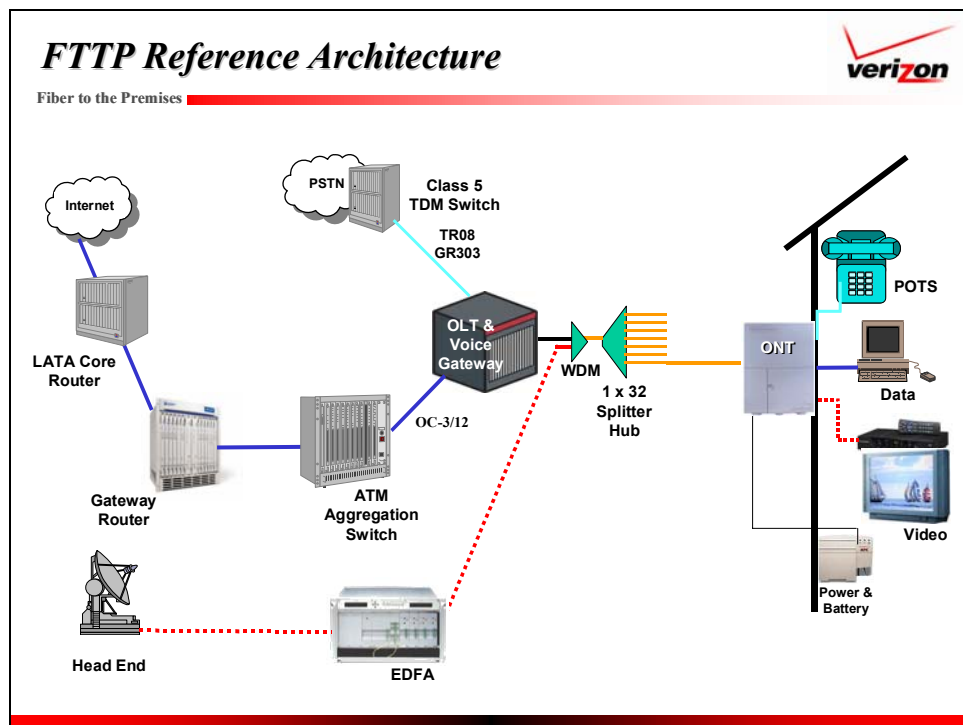
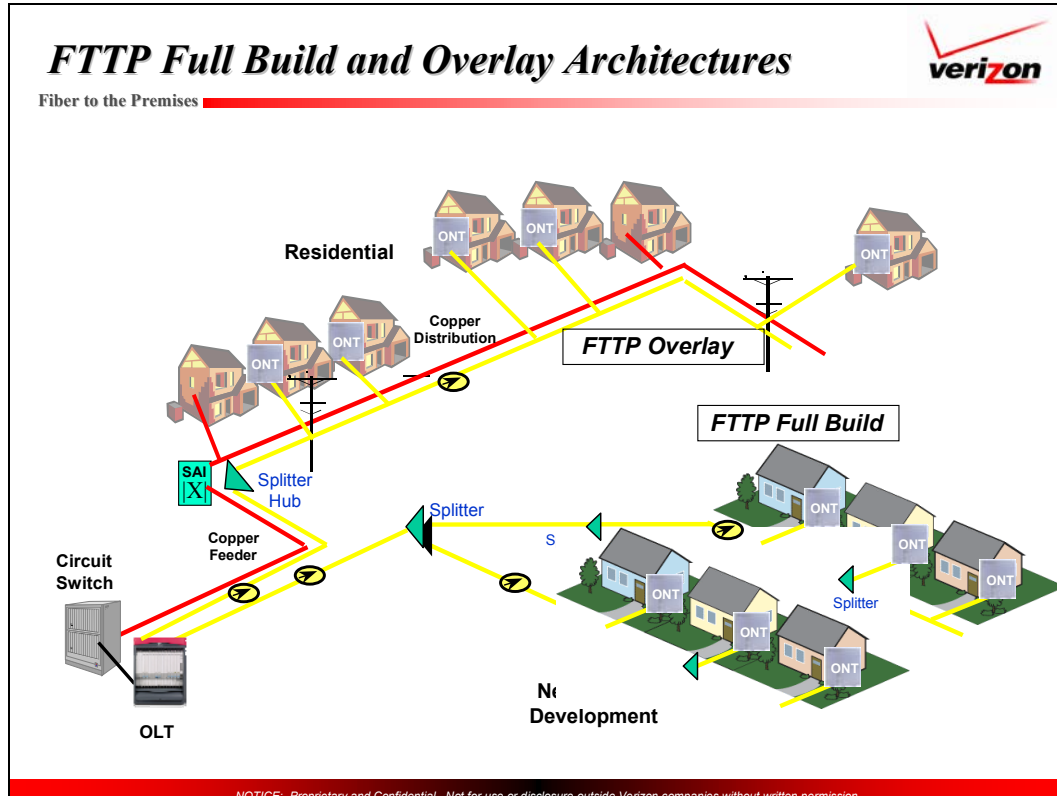


Figure 2-FTTP Full Build and Overlay Architectures



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, education, 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

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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 (STB).

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

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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, education, & 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. Finally, based on Verizon service tiering requirements to support an analog tier, a certain subset of channels shall be converted from digital to analog signals at the VHO (or kept in analog format if local or PEG).

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 amplifiers (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).

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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 New Hyde Park is located at 159 Lowell Ave., Floral Park, NY 11001. If technically feasible or otherwise appropriate, PEG insertion may occur at this location 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.

It is expected that, in many cases, standard home wiring practices, using coaxial cables, will distribute the signal to cable ready televisions (for analog-only subscribers) and to STBs for digital subscribers.

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) of 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 Commission found that unlike cable companies, Verizon already has the necessary authority

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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.

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VERIZON FiOS TV- SAMPLE CHANNEL LINEUP

**NOTE: ALL INFORMATION PROVIDED
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Fios® TV Local	Local		Fios TV Premier	Women		Fios TV Premier	Children		Movies	361 Showtime	
	2	CBS — WCBS-TV 2		110	Lifetime		210	Disney		362 Showtime West	
	4	NBC — WNBC-TV 4		111	Lifetime Movie Network		211	Toon Disney		363 Showtime Showcase	
	5	FOX — WNYW-TV 5		112	Lifetime Real Women		212	Nickelodeon		364 Showtime Showcase West	
	6	WRNN-TV 48		113	SoapNet		213	Nick Too		365 Showtime Too	
	7	ABC — WABC-TV 7		114	Oxygen		214	The Nicktoons Network		366 Showtime Too West	
	8	Superstation — WGN-TV		Shopping			215	GAS		367 Showtime Beyond	
	9	UPN — WWOR-TV 9		120	QVC		216	Noggin		368 Showtime Beyond West	
	10	WLNY-TV 55		121	HSN		217	Cartoon Network (ESP)*		369 Showtime Extreme	
	11	WB — WPIX-TV 11		122	Shop at Home		218	Boomerang (ESP)*		370 Showtime Extreme West	
Fios TV Premier	12	Telemundo — WNUJ-TV 47	123	America's Store	219	Discovery Kids	371 Showtime Women				
	13	PBS — WNET-TV 13	125	Jewelry	220	Varsity	372 Showtime Women West				
	18	WMBC-TV 63	Home & Leisure		People & Culture		373 Showtime Next				
	20	PBS — WNJN-TV 50	130	Style	230	BET	374 Showtime Next West				
	21	PBS — WLIW-TV 21	131	Discovery Health	231	TV One	375 Showtime Family Zone				
	23	WFTY-TV 67	132	LIME	232	Black Family Channel	376 Showtime Family Zone West				
	25	PBS — WNYE-TV 25	133	Fit TV	233	MTV Español	377 The Movie Channel				
	29	PBS — WFME-TV 66	134	Food Network	234	Galavisión	378 The Movie Channel West				
	31	IND — WXPX-TV 31	135	HGTV (Home & Garden Television)	235	Mun2	379 The Movie Channel Xtra				
	38	Local Programming	136	Fine Living	236	Si TV	380 The Movie Channel Xtra West				
Fios TV Premier	41	Univision — WXTV-TV 41	137	DIY (Do It Yourself)	237	AZN Television	381 Flix				
	47	TV Guide	138	Discovery Home	Religion		382 Flix West				
	Entertainment		139	Wealth TV	240	EWTN	384 Sundance				
	50	USA Network	140	Travel Channel	241	INSP	HBO**				
	51	TNT	Pop Culture		242	I-Life	400 HBO				
	52	TBS	150	Sci-Fi Channel	243	Church	401 HBO West				
	53	FX	151	A&E	244	JCTV	402 HBO 2				
	54	Spike TV	152	Crime & Investigation Network	Sports**		403 HBO 2 West				
	Sports		153	Court TV	300	Fox College Sports — Atlantic	404 HBO Signature				
	60	ESPN	154	GSN	301	Fox College Sports — Central	405 HBO Signature West				
Fios TV Premier	61	ESPN Classic Sports	155	Bravo	302	Fox College Sports — Pacific	406 HBO Family				
	62	ESPNNews	156	Sleuth	303	Tennis Channel	407 HBO Family West				
	63	ESPNU	157	Logo	304	NFL Network	408 HBO Comedy				
	64	ESPN 2	158	Ovation	307	Outdoor Channel	409 HBO Comedy West				
	67	SportsNet NY	159	BBC America	308	The Sportsman Channel	410 HBO Zone				
	68	Speed Channel	160	Comedy Central	311	Fox Sports en Español	412 HBO Zone West				
	News		161	E! Entertainment Television	312	Fox Soccer Channel	413 HBO Latino				
	70	CNN	162	Fox Reality	313	Go!TV	414 HBO Latino West				
	71	CNN Headline News	163	Fuel	315	TVG (Horse Racing)	Cinemax**				
	72	Fox News	164	ABC Family	316	Horse Racing TV	415 Cinemax				
Fios TV Premier	73	CNBC	Music		318	Mav TV	416 Cinemax West				
	75	Bloomberg TV	170	MTV	319	Blackbelt TV	417 More Max				
	76	CNN International	171	MTV2	320	G4	418 More Max West				
	77	CNBC World	173	MTV Jams	Movies**		419 Action Max				
	78	ABC News Now	174	MTV Hits	340	Starz	420 Action Max West				
	79	C-SPAN	175	VH1	341	Starz West	421 Thriller Max				
	80	C-SPAN 2	176	VH1 Classic	342	Starz Edge	422 Thriller Max West				
	81	C-SPAN 3	177	VH1 Soul	343	Starz Edge West	423 Women's Max				
	89	The Weather Channel	179	BET J	344	Starz in Black	424 At Max				
	Information		180	CMT	345	Starz Kids & Family	425 Five Star Max				
Fios TV Premier	90	Discovery Channel	181	VH1 Country	346	Starz Cinema	426 OuterMax				
	91	National Geographic Channel	182	Great American Country	347	Starz Comedy	Other Premiums**				
	92	Science Channel	183	Gospel Music Channel	348	Encore	430 Playboy TV				
	93	Discovery Times	184	BET Gospel	349	Encore West	431 Playboy TV en Español				
	94	Pentagon Channel	185	Soundtrack Channel	350	Encore Love	435 Q Television Network				
	95	Military Channel	Movies		351	Encore Love West					
	96	Military History Channel	190	Turner Classic Movies	352	Encore Westerns					
	97	History Channel International	192	Fox Movie Channel	353	Encore Westerns West					
	98	History Channel	Family		354	Encore Mystery					
	99	Biography Channel	200	Hallmark Channel	355	Encore Mystery West					
Fios TV Premier	100	Animal Planet	202	Family Net	356	Encore Drama					
	101	TLC (The Learning Channel)	203	AmericanLife TV	357	Encore Drama West					
			204	TV Land	358	Encore Action					
				359	Encore Action West						
				360	Encore WAM!						

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Spanish Language	▼	En Español**		La Conexión	▼	Information		Digital Music	▼	609	Metal	Local Plus	▼	Local Plus	
		440	Galavisión			529	TVE Internacional			610	Rock			850	NBC Weather Plus
		442	ESPN Deportes			530	History Español			611	Arena Rock			VIDEO ON DEMAND**	
		443	Fox Sports en Español			531	Discovery Channel			612	Classic Rock			900	On Demand Access & Menu
		444	GoITV			532	Discovery en Español			613	Alternative			Kids FREE	
		446	CNN en Español			534	Animal Planet			614	Retro-Active			ALL FREE	
		447	Canal SUR			535	TLC (The Learning Channel)			615	Electronica			Home & Leisure	
		448	TVE Internacional			Women				616	Dance			Info & Education	
		452	History Español			537	Lifetime			617	Adult Alternative			Kids	
		453	Discovery en Español			538	Lifetime Movie Network			618	Soft Rock			Movies	
International Premiums	▼	456	Infinito	Shopping		619	Hit List	Music							
		457	MTV Español	540	QVC	620	Party Favorites	News							
		458	VH Uno	541	HSN	621	90s	Pop Culture							
		459	Telehit	542	Shop at Home	622	80s	Shopping							
		462	De Película	543	Shop NBC	623	70s	Sports							
		463	De Película Clásico	Home & Leisure		624	Solid Gold Oldies	Movies							
		464	Cine Latino	545	Discovery Health	625	Singers & Standards	New Movies							
		465	Cine Mexicano	549	Infinito	626	Big Band & Swing	New by Category							
		468	La Familia	550	Food Network	627	Easy Listening	All Movies							
		469	TV Chile	551	HGTV (Home & Garden Television)	628	Smooth Jazz	All Movies by Category							
La Conexión	▼	470	TV Colombia	552	Travel Channel	629	Jazz	In Theaters							
		472	Sorpresa	Pop Culture		630	Blues	En Español							
		473	Toon Disney Español	555	E! Entertainment Television	631	Reggae	Subscriptions							
		474	Boomerang (ESP)*	556	A&E	632	Soundscapes	Cinemax							
		477	TBN Enlace	557	Si TV	633	Classical Masterpieces	HBO							
		478	EWTN Español	558	Mun2	634	Opera	Showtime							
		International Premiums**		559	Comedy Central	635	Light Classical	Starz							
		480	SBTN (Vietnamese)	560	Sci-Fi Channel	636	Show Tunes	Sundance							
		481	CCTV-4 (Mandarin Chinese)	Music		637	Contemporary Christian	The Movie Channel							
		482	CTI — Zhong Tian Channel (Chinese)	562	MTV Español	638	Gospel	WWE							
Entertainment	▼	483	TV Japan	563	MTV2	639	Radio Disney	Karaoke							
		484	MBC (Korean)	564	Telehit	640	Sounds of the Seasons	Playboy							
		485	The Filipino Channel	565	VH Uno	641	Música Urbana	Adult							
		486	TV Asia	566	CMT	642	Salsa y Merengue	Events							
		487	ART (Arabic)	Movies		643	Rock en Español	Hustler							
		488	RAI (Italian)	569	De Película	644	Pop Latino	Spice							
		489	TV 5 (French)	570	De Película Clásico	645	Mexicana	TEN							
		491	Rang A Rang (Farsi)	571	Cine Mexicano	646	Americana	Playboy Subscribers							
		492	RTN Russian	572	Cine Latino	Pay Per View		FIOS® TV Help							
		493	Channel 1 Russian	Family		701	TVN Events								
La Conexión	▼	496	Bridges TV	574	ABC Family	HD Broadcast									
		498	MTV Chi	575	La Familia	801	WB — WPIX								
		499	MTV Desi	576	TV Chile	802	CBS — WCBS								
		Entertainment		577	TV Colombia	803	PBS — WNET								
		500	USA Network	578	TV Land	804	NBC — WNBC								
		501	TNT	Children		805	FOX — WNYW								
		502	TBS	580	Nickelodeon	807	ABC — WABC								
		503	Galavisión	581	Disney en Español	809	UPN — WWOR								
		504	FX	582	Toon Disney Español	HD National**									
		505	Spike TV	583	Boomerang (ESP)*	810	TNT HD								
News	▼	508	ESPN Deportes	584	Cartoon Network (ESP)*	811	ESPN HD								
		512	SportsNet NY	585	Sorpresa	812	ESPN 2 HD								
		513	Fox Sports en Español	Religion		817	HD Net								
		514	Fox Soccer Channel	588	TBN Enlace	818	HD Net Movies								
		516	GoITV	589	EWTN Español	819	Universal HD								
		News		Digital Music		820	Discovery HD								
		518	CNN en Español	600	Showcase	821	Wealth TV HD								
		519	CNN	601	Today's Country	822	National Geographic Channel HD								
		520	CNN Headline News	602	Classic Country	823	MTV HD								
		521	Fox News	603	Bluegrass	HD Premium**									
522	CNBC	604	R&B and Hip-Hop	814	NFL Network HD										
524	C-SPAN	605	Classic R&B	830	HBO HD										
525	Canal Sur	606	Smooth R&B	831	Cinemax HD										
		607	R&B Hits	832	Showtime HD										
		608	Rap	833	TMC HD										
				834	Starz HD										

*A Spanish-language Secondary Audio Program (SAP) is available for selection

**Subscription to corresponding premium channels and packages required.

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.

● Lifestyle ● Premiums ● Arts & Entertainment ● Sports ○ Local Plus
● News & Information ● Digital Music ● PPV ● HD ● VOD


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EXHIBIT 3
VERIZON NEW YORK INC.
CABLE TELEVISION FRANCHISE APPLICATION
VILLAGE OF NEW HYDE PARK, NEW YORK

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Service**

1-888-553-1555



**Rates &
Packages**



We never stop working for you.



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Here's everything you need to create your perfect FiOSSM 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
Basic ¹	15-35	\$12.95
Digital Service (Requires Set Top Box [STB] and Router ²)		
Expanded Basic ³	160 + Basic	\$39.95
La Conexión ⁴	115 + Basic	\$32.95

Now, add more channels for just a few dollars more.

Packages ⁵ (Requires STB)	Number of Channels	Monthly Price
Sports Package	15	\$5.95
Movie Package	44	\$11.95
Sports/Movie Package Combination	59	\$14.95
Spanish Language Package	25	\$11.95

Premium Channels ⁶ (Requires STB)	Number of Channels	Monthly Price
HBO ⁶	14	\$14.95
Cinemax ⁶	12	\$14.95
HBO/Cinemax Combination	26	\$24.95
Playboy TV ⁶ /Playboy TV en Español	2	\$14.95

International Premiums ⁷ (Requires STB)	Number of Channels	Monthly Price
International Premium Channels	16	Individually Priced

Video On Demand (VOD) and Pay Per View (PPV) (Requires STB)	Price
On Demand Movies	
New Releases	\$3.95
Library	\$2.95
On Demand Subscriptions	
WWE	\$7.95/mo.
On Demand Adult	\$11.95
PPV Movies	\$3.95
PPV Events	Varies
PPV Sports	Varies

Save \$5 per month when qualifying voice or data services are bundled with FiOS TV Digital Service.

¹In order to be eligible for the Movie Package or Sports Package, Expanded Basic or La Conexión is required. The Spanish Language Package may be added to Basic service, but requires a Set Top Box for access. The addition of a Set Top Box with Basic service provides access to Video on Demand and Pay Per View, as well as the ability to order Premium Channels and International Premiums.

²Router 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 \$49.99 equipment fee applies. If you maintain service for twelve (12) consecutive months, ownership of the router shall transfer to you, after which 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.

³Expanded Basic includes all Basic channels, additional all-digital programming, digital music channels and access to Pay Per View and Video on Demand (VOD).

⁴La Conexión includes all Basic 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.

Set Top Box (STB)	Monthly Price
Standard Definition	\$3.95
High Definition (includes HDTV channels)	\$9.95
Digital Video Recorder (includes HDTV channels)	\$12.95

Initial Installation	One-Time Charges
Existing Outlet Hookup (up to 3)	\$50.00
Additional Outlet/Set Top Box Hookup (existing outlet)	\$19.95
New Outlet Installation (per outlet)	\$54.95
Outlet Relocation	\$54.95

Subsequent Installations/Charges	One-Time Charges
Set Top Box Addition or Upgrade/Downgrade	\$24.95
Premises Visit ⁷	\$50.00
New Outlet Installation (per outlet)	\$54.95
Outlet Relocation (per outlet)	\$54.95
Setup of TV Equipment (new TV with existing STB)	\$50.00
Disconnect of Set Top Box ⁸	\$24.95 + \$5.00/STB
Downgrade of Service from Digital to Analog	\$50.00 + \$5.00/STB
FiOS TV Service Disconnect	No Charge
FiOS TV Service Reconnect (up to 3 outlets) ⁹	\$50.00

Other Services and Charges	One-Time Charges
Seasonal Service Suspension (charged at initiation, 2-6 months) ¹⁰	\$24.95
Replacement Remote	\$5.00 + Shipping & Handling
Unreturned/Damaged Receiver — Standard Definition	\$240.00
Unreturned/Damaged Receiver — High Definition	\$350.00
Unreturned/Damaged Receiver — Digital Video Recorder (DVR)	\$550.00

⁵Expanded Basic or La Conexión required for purchase of Movie Package or Sports Package. The Spanish Language Package may be added to Basic service. 30-day minimum billing period required for all digital packages.

⁶Subscription Video on Demand is included with all Premium Channels at no extra charge (where applicable). 30-day minimum billing period required for all Premium Channels and International Premiums.

⁷A premises visit charge is assessed when relocating or installing new outlets, or when a technician installation is required to set up a new or additional TV with an existing FiOS TV STB. A premises visit charge is not assessed when adding new, upgrading/downgrading existing or disconnecting STB receivers.

⁸The STB disconnect charge is assessed only when the customer maintains at least one FiOS TV STB. If all STB receivers are disconnected, the service downgrade charge applies.

⁹The reconnect fee applies when establishing service after a service disconnect.

¹⁰Seasonal service suspension requires a minimum suspension of two months 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 will be 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 the FiOSSM 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. ©2005. Verizon. All Rights Reserved.

Tab 2

McDonald, Nia

From: McDonald, Nia
Sent: Tuesday, November 07, 2006 1:56 PM
To: 'jspellman@spellmanlaw.com'; 'John Spellman'
Cc: 'David P. Mullen'
Subject: Application for a Cable Television Franchise By Verizon NY Inc. and Village of New Hyde Parkt, 11/7/2006
Attachments: NY-Letter from Marie Lasota to CV re New Hyde Park (11.7.06).pdf; NY-New Hyde Park-VZ Cable Franchise Application (11.6.06).pdf

John,

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

A copy of the Application has been sent this afternoon by overnight mail to the Village Clerk's office. For your files I have also attached the cover letter that I have overnighed to Cablevision along with a copy of the Application, per NY PSC rules. As I mentioned on the phone yesterday, a copy of the proposed franchise agreement itself will follow later this week, and in no event later than Friday morning.

Please contact me should you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

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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 New Hyde Park (“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-Sample Channel Lineup.”¹

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), in order to ensure universal availability of public, educational and government programming, upon written request, Franchisee shall 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 (collectively, “PEG Channels”).

¹ Please note that the channel line-up set forth in Exhibit 2 is a sample and is subject to modification for the Municipality. Once the channel line-up is finalized, Verizon NY will provide it to the Municipality.

- (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.

- (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 or is in the process of completing the construction of its fiber to the premises ("FTTP") network to approximately 30% 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 ("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 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: Village of Massapequa Park (Nassau County); Village of Nyack (Rockland County); Village of South Nyack (Rockland County); Village of Upper Nyack (Rockland County); Town of Hempstead (Nassau County); Village of Cedarhurst (Nassau County); Town of Oyster Bay (Nassau County); Village of Laurel Hollow (Nassau County); Village of Grand View-on-Hudson (Rockland County); Village of Lynbrook (Nassau County); Village of Mineola (Nassau County); Town of Clarkstown (Rockland County); Town of Greenburgh (Westchester County); Village of East Rockaway (Nassau County); Town of Smithtown (Suffolk County); Village of Farmingdale (Nassau County); Town of Huntington (Suffolk County); Village of Valley Stream (Nassau County); and Village of Irvington (Westchester County).

The 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 17, 2006; (5) Hempstead - May 17, 2006; (6) Cedarhurst- June 22, 2006; (7) Oyster Bay-June 23, 2006; (8) Laurel Hollow – August 24, 2006; (9) Grand View-on-Hudson – August 24, 2006; (10) Clarkstown – September 21, 2006; (11) Lynbrook – September 21, 2006; (12) Mineola – September 21, 2006; (13) Greenburgh – October 19, 2006; and (14) East Rockaway – October 19, 2006.

Furthermore, other subsidiaries of Verizon Communications Inc. were awarded cable television franchises by the following franchising authorities:

California:	City of Beaumont; City of Murietta; Town of Apple Valley; City of Hermosa Beach; City of Lake Elsinore; City of Temecula; City of Manhattan Beach; City of Perris; City of Camarillo; City of Banning; City of Malibu; City of Ontario; City of Thousand Oaks; City of Los Alamitos; City of Redlands
Delaware:	Town of Bellefonte; Town of Odessa; City of Delaware; Town of Townsend; City of Newark
Florida:	City of Temple Terrace; Manatee County; Hillsborough County; City of Bradenton; Pasco County; City of Tampa; City of Oldsmar; Sarasota County
Maryland:	Howard County; City of Bowie; City of Laurel; Anne Arundel County
Massachusetts:	City of Woburn; Town of Reading; Town of Lynnfield; Town of Wakefield; Town of Hamilton; Town of Wenham; Town of Tewksbury; Town of Winchester; Town of Burlington; Town of North Reading; Town of Stoneham; Town of Ipswich; Town of Marion; Town of Mattapoisett; Town of Rochester; Town of Hopkinton; Town of Lincoln; Town of Lexington; Town of Boxford; Town of Belmont; Town of Acton; Town of Andover; Town of Boxborough; Town of Nahant; Town of Tyngsboro; Town of West Newbury
Pennsylvania:	Hulmeville Borough; Valley Township; Schwenksville Borough; Thornbury Township (West Chester County); Thornbury Township (Delaware County); East Marlborough Township; Worcester Township; Modena Borough; Lansdale Borough; Perkiomen Township; Hatfield Borough; West Goshen Township; Westtown Township; Lower Frederick Township; Uwchlan Township; Collegeville Borough; Skippack Township; Lower Gwynedd Township; West Chester Township; Montgomery Township; West Brandywine Township; Hatfield Township; West Bradford Township; Marlborough Township; Limerick Township; Ambler Borough; Upper Uwchlan Township; West Pikeland Township; South Coatesville Borough; Towamencin Township; Hilltown Township; Bedminster Township; Bensalem Township; Doylestown Borough; Doylestown Township; Dublin Borough; East Rockhill Township; Langhorne Borough; Lower Southampton Township; New Britain Borough; New Britain Township; Newton

Township; Plumstead Township; Silverdale Borough; Upper Makefield Township; Upper Southampton Township; Warminster Township; Warwick Township; West Rockhill Township; Wrightstown Township; Birmingham Township; Charlestown Township; East Pikeland Township; East Whiteland Township; Easttown Township; Pocopson Township; Schuylkill Township; Tredyffrin Township; Willistown Township; Cain Township; East Bradford Township; Bethel Township; Radnor Township; Upper Gwynedd Township; Upper Salford Township; Cheltenham Township; Conshohocken Borough; East Norriton Township; Hatboro Township; Horsham Township; Lower Moreland Township; Lower Providence Township; Lower Salford Township; North Wales Borough; Rockledge Borough; Springfield Township; Upper Moreland Township; Whitpain Township

Texas: **City of Keller; City of Westlake; City of Sachse; City of Wylie;**

Public Utility Commission of Texas – State-Issued Certificate of Franchise Authority for all or portions of the following 21 municipalities: Allen; Carrollton; Colleyville; Coppell; Denton (City); Double Oak; Flower Mound; Ft. Worth; Garland; Grapevine; Hebron; Highland Village; Irving; Lewisville; Lucas; Murphy; Parker; Plano; Rowlett; Southlake; and St. Paul (See Public Utility Commission of Texas Notice of Approval regarding Project No. 31817 dated October 21, 2005); Collin County; Dallas County; Denton County; Tarrant County; City of Corinth

Virginia: **Quantico Marine Corps Base; Town of Herndon; Fairfax County; City of Fairfax; Fort Belvoir Army Base; City of Falls Church; Town of Dumfries; Prince William County; Arlington County; Henrico County; Loudon County; Town of Leesburg; Spotsylvania County**

- (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 2005 revenues in excess of \$75 billion. A copy of the 2005 Form 10-K of Verizon Communications Inc. can be accessed via the following internet address:

http://investor.verizon.com/sec/sec_frame.aspx?FilingID=4275196.

A copy of the Verizon Communications Inc. 2005 Annual Report to Shareholders can be accessed via the following internet address:

<http://investor.verizon.com/financial/annual/2005/index.html>.

- (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
 - End-to-End Architecture
 - 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 three million homes with FTTP in sixteen states by the end of 2005, and the Company has announced that it intends to pass an additional three million homes in 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:

- Analog channel tier, including local and Education and Government (EG) channels as requested by and as negotiated with the community
- Digital channel 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 analog and digital channels. The analog tier will be carried “in the clear” (i.e. will not require the use of a set-top-box (STB) for receipt of service) and will include local, educational/government (EG) channels and select cable channels. The digital channel line-up will duplicate the analog line-up (so called “dual carry”) and will include 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. For digital tiers, a STB will be required for receipt of service. Customers will be charged a monthly recurring fee for each box 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. Verizon will notify the Municipality of the final channel line-up prior to service offering.

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: Analog

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: Digital - New Install

Installation per the analog method will be done. In addition, the technician also 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.

Connection Method: Digital - Set Top Box

When a set top box is installed the technician will call the service center at which point the digital 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: Digital - PPV

Customers must have at least one set top box to have access to the service. The customer 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

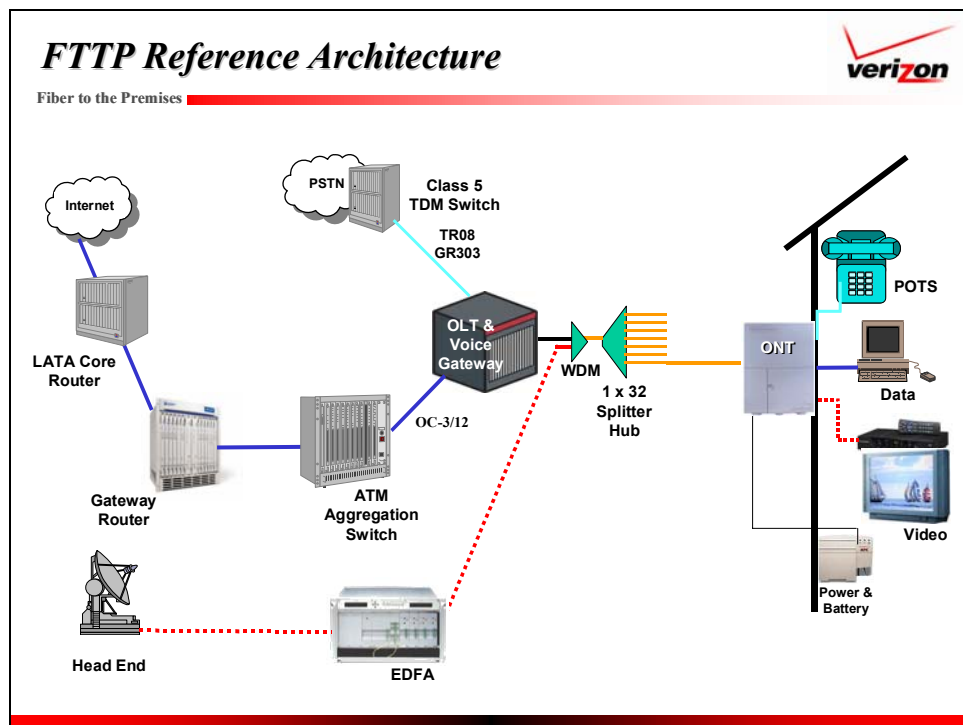
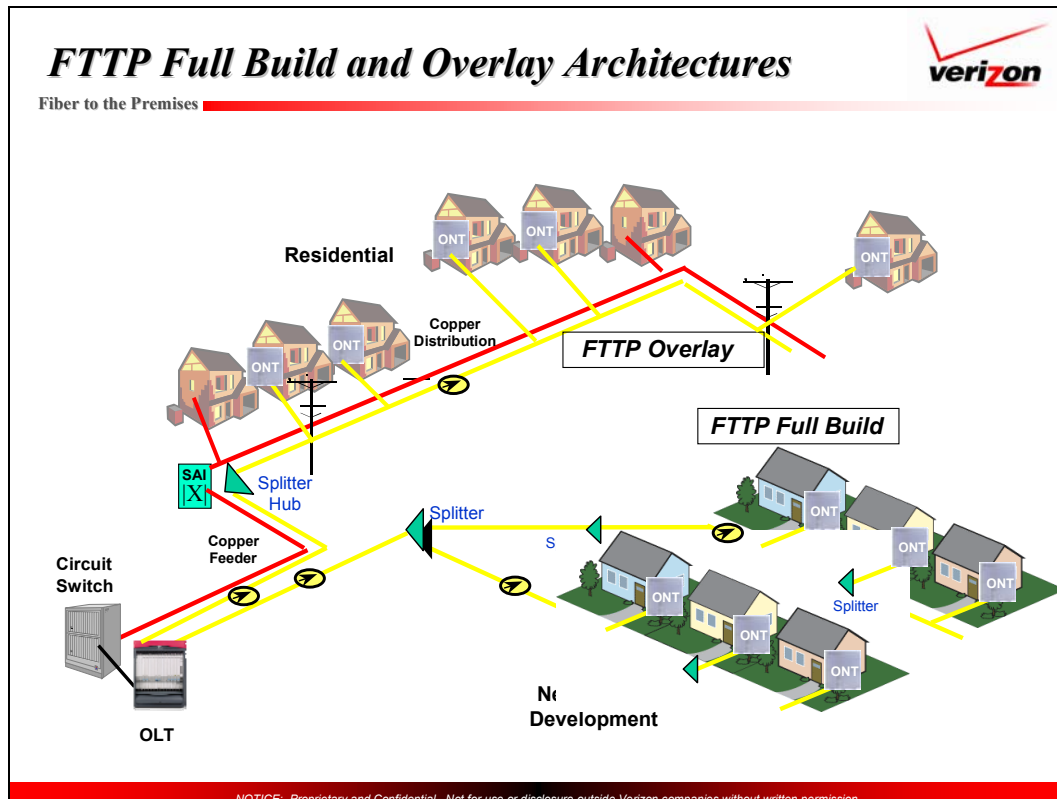


Figure 2-FTTP Full Build and Overlay Architectures



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, education, 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

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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 (STB).

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

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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, education, & 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. Finally, based on Verizon service tiering requirements to support an analog tier, a certain subset of channels shall be converted from digital to analog signals at the VHO (or kept in analog format if local or PEG).

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 amplifiers (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).

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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 New Hyde Park is located at 159 Lowell Ave., Floral Park, NY 11001. If technically feasible or otherwise appropriate, PEG insertion may occur at this location 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.

It is expected that, in many cases, standard home wiring practices, using coaxial cables, will distribute the signal to cable ready televisions (for analog-only subscribers) and to STBs for digital subscribers.

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) of 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 Commission found that unlike cable companies, Verizon already has the necessary authority

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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.

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VERIZON FiOS TV- SAMPLE CHANNEL LINEUP

**NOTE: ALL INFORMATION PROVIDED
IS A SAMPLE AND IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE FOR THE MUNICIPALITY**

Verizon FiOS TV – New York Area Channel Lineup

Fios® TV Local	Local
	2 CBS — WCBS-TV 2
	4 NBC — WNBC-TV 4
	5 FOX — WNYW-TV 5
	6 WRNN-TV 48
	7 ABC — WABC-TV 7
	8 Superstation — WGN-TV
	9 UPN — WWOR-TV 9
	10 WLNy-TV 55
	11 WB — WPIX-TV 11
	12 Telemundo — WNJU-TV 47
	13 PBS — WNET-TV 13
	18 WMBC-TV 63
	20 PBS — WNJN-TV 50
	21 PBS — WLIW-TV 21
	23 WFTY-TV 67
	25 PBS — WNYE-TV 25
29 PBS — WFME-TV 66	
31 IND — WPXN-TV 31	
38 Local Programming	
41 Univision — WXTV-TV 41	
47 TV Guide	
Fios TV Premier	Entertainment
	50 USA Network
	51 TNT
	52 TBS
	53 FX
	54 Spike TV
	Sports
	60 ESPN
	61 ESPN Classic Sports
	62 ESPNNews
	63 ESPNU
	64 ESPN 2
	67 SportsNet NY
	68 Speed Channel
	News
	70 CNN
	71 CNN Headline News
72 Fox News	
73 CNBC	
75 Bloomberg TV	
76 CNN International	
77 CNBC World	
78 ABC News Now	
79 C-SPAN	
80 C-SPAN 2	
81 C-SPAN 3	
89 The Weather Channel	
Information	
90 Discovery Channel	
91 National Geographic Channel	
92 Science Channel	
93 Discovery Times	
94 Pentagon Channel	
95 Military Channel	
96 Military History Channel	
97 History Channel International	
98 History Channel	
99 Biography Channel	
100 Animal Planet	
101 TLC (The Learning Channel)	

Fios TV Premier	Women	
	110	Lifetime
	111	Lifetime Movie Network
	112	Lifetime Real Women
	113	SoapNet
	114	Oxygen
	Shopping	
	120	QVC
	121	HSN
	122	Shop at Home
	123	America's Store
	125	Jewelry
	127	Shop NBC
	Home & Leisure	
	130	Style
	131	Discovery Health
	132	LIME
	133	Fit TV
	134	Food Network
	135	HGTV (Home & Garden Television)
	136	Fine Living
	137	DIY (Do It Yourself)
	138	Discovery Home
	139	Wealth TV
	140	Travel Channel
	Pop Culture	
	150	Sci-Fi Channel
	151	A&E
	152	Crime & Investigation Network
	153	Court TV
154	GSN	
155	Bravo	
156	Sleuth	
157	Logo	
158	Ovation	
159	BBC America	
160	Comedy Central	
161	E! Entertainment Television	
162	Fox Reality	
163	Fuel	
164	ABC Family	
Music		
170	MTV	
171	MTV2	
173	MTV Jams	
174	MTV Hits	
175	VH1	
176	VH1 Classic	
177	VH1 Soul	
179	BET J	
180	CMT	
181	VH1 Country	
182	Great American Country	
183	Gospel Music Channel	
184	BET Gospel	
185	Soundtrack Channel	
Movies		
190	Turner Classic Movies	
192	Fox Movie Channel	
Family		
200	Hallmark Channel	
202	Family Net	
203	AmericanLife TV	
204	TV Land	

Fios TV Premier	Children
	210 Disney
	211 Toon Disney
	212 Nickelodeon
	213 Nick Too
	214 The Nicktoons Network
	215 GAS
	216 Noggin
	217 Cartoon Network (ESP)*
	218 Boomerang (ESP)*
	219 Discovery Kids
220 Varsity	
	People & Culture
	230 BET
	231 TV One
	232 Black Family Channel
	233 MTV Español
	234 Galavisión
	235 Mun2
236 Sí TV	
237 AZN Television	
	Religion
	240 EWTN
	241 INSP
	242 I-Life
	243 Church
244 JCTV	
Sports	Sports**
	300 Fox College Sports — Atlantic
	301 Fox College Sports — Central
	302 Fox College Sports — Pacific
	303 Tennis Channel
	304 NFL Network
	307 Outdoor Channel
	308 The Sportsman Channel
	311 Fox Sports en Español
	312 Fox Soccer Channel
	313 Go!TV
	315 TVG (Horse Racing)
	316 Horse Racing TV
	318 Mav TV
	319 Blackbelt TV
	320 G4
Movies	Movies**
	340 Starz
	341 Starz West
	342 Starz Edge
	343 Starz Edge West
	344 Starz in Black
	345 Starz Kids & Family
	346 Starz Cinema
	347 Starz Comedy
	348 Encore
	349 Encore West
	350 Encore Love
	351 Encore Love West
	352 Encore Westerns
	353 Encore Westerns West
	354 Encore Mystery
355 Encore Mystery West	
356 Encore Drama	
357 Encore Drama West	
358 Encore Action	
359 Encore Action West	
360 Encore WAM!	

Movies	361	Showtime
	362	Showtime West
	363	Showtime Showcase
	364	Showtime Showcase West
	365	Showtime Too
	366	Showtime Too West
	367	Showtime Beyond
	368	Showtime Beyond West
	369	Showtime Extreme
	370	Showtime Extreme West
	371	Showtime Women
	372	Showtime Women West
	373	Showtime Next
	374	Showtime Next West
	375	Showtime Family Zone
	376	Showtime Family Zone West
	377	The Movie Channel
	378	The Movie Channel West
	379	The Movie Channel Xtra
	380	The Movie Channel Xtra West
TV Shows	381	Flix
	382	Flix West
	384	Sundance
	HBO**	
Premiums	400	HBO
	401	HBO West
	402	HBO 2
	403	HBO 2 West
	404	HBO Signature
	405	HBO Signature West
	406	HBO Family
	407	HBO Family West
	408	HBO Comedy
	409	HBO Comedy West
	410	HBO Zone
	412	HBO Zone West
	413	HBO Latino
	414	HBO Latino West
	Cinemax**	
	415	Cinemax
416	Cinemax West	
417	More Max	
418	More Max West	
419	Action Max	
420	Action Max West	
421	Thriller Max	
422	Thriller Max West	
423	Women's Max	
424	At Max	
425	Five Star Max	
426	OuterMax	
Other Premiums**		
430	Playboy TV	
431	Playboy TV en Español	
435	Q Television Network	

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

****Subscription to corresponding premium channels and packages required.**

FiOS TV is frequently changing its channel offerings. Please call **1-800-293-9139** for our latest published channel lineup.

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Spanish Language	▼	En Español**		440	Galavisión	La Conexión	▼	Information		529	TVE Internacional	Digital Music	▼	609	Metal	Local Plus	▼	Local Plus		850	NBC Weather Plus
		442	ESPN Deportes	530	History Español			610	Rock												
		443	Fox Sports en Español	531	Discovery Channel			611	Arena Rock												
		444	GoITV	532	Discovery en Español			612	Classic Rock												
		446	CNN en Español	534	Animal Planet			613	Alternative												
		447	Canal SUR	535	TLC (The Learning Channel)			614	Retro-Active												
		448	TVE Internacional	Women				615	Electronica												
		452	History Español	537	Lifetime			616	Dance												
		453	Discovery en Español	538	Lifetime Movie Network			617	Adult Alternative												
		456	Infinito	Shopping				618	Soft Rock												
457	MTV Español	540	QVC	619	Hit List	Video On Demand	▼	VIDEO ON DEMAND**		900	On Demand Access & Menu										
458	VH Uno	541	HSN	620	Party Favorites			Kids FREE	ALL FREE	Home & Leisure											
459	Telehit	542	Shop at Home	621	90s					Info & Education											
462	De Película	543	Shop NBC	622	80s					Kids											
463	De Película Clásico	Home & Leisure		623	70s					Movies											
464	Cine Latino	545	Discovery Health	624	Solid Gold Oldies					Music											
465	Cine Mexicano	549	Infinito	625	Singers & Standards					News											
468	La Familia	550	Food Network	626	Big Band & Swing					Pop Culture											
469	TV Chile	551	HGTV (Home & Garden Television)	627	Easy Listening					Shopping											
470	TV Colombia	552	Travel Channel	628	Smooth Jazz					Sports											
472	Sorpresa	Pop Culture		629	Jazz	Movies	New Movies			New by Category											
473	Toon Disney Español	555	E! Entertainment Television	630	Blues			All Movies													
474	Boomerang (ESP)*	556	A&E	631	Reggae			All Movies by Category													
477	TBN Enlace	557	Si TV	632	Soundscapes			In Theaters													
478	EWTN Español	558	Mun2	633	Classical Masterpieces			En Español													
International Premiums**		559	Comedy Central	634	Opera			Subscriptions	Cinemax	HBO											
480	SBTN (Vietnamese)	560	Sci-Fi Channel	635	Light Classical					Showtime											
481	CCTV-4 (Mandarin Chinese)	Music		636	Show Tunes					Starz											
482	CTI — Zhong Tian Channel (Chinese)	562	MTV Español	637	Contemporary Christian					Sundance											
483	TV Japan	563	MTV2	638	Gospel					The Movie Channel											
484	MBC (Korean)	564	Telehit	639	Radio Disney	WWE															
485	The Filipino Channel	565	VH Uno	640	Sounds of the Seasons	Karaoke															
486	TV Asia	566	CMT	641	Música Urbana	Playboy															
487	ART (Arabic)	Movies		642	Salsa y Merengue	Adult	Events			Hustler											
488	RAI (Italian)	569	De Película	643	Rock en Español					Spice											
489	TV 5 (French)	570	De Película Clásico	644	Pop Latino			TEN													
491	Rang A Rang (Farsi)	571	Cine Mexicano	645	Mexicana			Playboy Subscribers													
492	RTN Russian	572	Cine Latino	646	Americana			FIOS® TV Help													
493	Channel 1 Russian	Family		Pay Per View				HD	▼	701		TVN Events									
496	Bridges TV	574	ABC Family	HD Broadcast						801	WB — WPIX										
498	MTV Chi	575	La Familia	802	CBS — WCBS																
499	MTV Desi	576	TV Chile	803	PBS — WNET																
Entertainment		577	TV Colombia	804	NBC — WNBC																
500	USA Network	578	TV Land	805	FOX — WNYW																
501	TNT	Children		807	ABC — WABC																
502	TBS	580	Nickelodeon	809	UPN — WWOR																
503	Galavisión	581	Disney en Español	HD National**		810	TNT HD														
504	FX	582	Toon Disney Español	811	ESPN HD																
505	Spike TV	583	Boomerang (ESP)*	812	ESPN 2 HD																
Sports		584	Cartoon Network (ESP)*	817	HD Net																
508	ESPN Deportes	585	Sorpresa	818	HD Net Movies																
512	SportsNet NY	Religion		819	Universal HD																
513	Fox Sports en Español	588	TBN Enlace	820	Discovery HD																
514	Fox Soccer Channel	589	EWTN Español	821	Wealth TV HD																
516	GoITV	Digital Music		822	National Geographic Channel HD																
518	CNN en Español	600	Showcase	823	MTV HD																
519	CNN	601	Today's Country	HD Premium**		814	NFL Network HD														
520	CNN Headline News	602	Classic Country	830	HBO HD																
521	Fox News	603	Bluegrass	831	Cinemax HD																
522	CNBC	604	R&B and Hip-Hop	832	Showtime HD																
524	C-SPAN	605	Classic R&B	833	TMC HD																
525	Canal Sur	606	Smooth R&B	834	Starz HD																
		607	R&B Hits																		
		608	Rap																		

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**Subscription to corresponding premium channels and packages required.

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.

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Here's everything you need to create your perfect FiOSSM 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
Basic ¹	15-35	\$12.95
Digital Service (Requires Set Top Box [STB] and Router ²)		
Expanded Basic ³	160 + Basic	\$39.95
La Conexión ⁴	115 + Basic	\$32.95

Now, add more channels for just a few dollars more.

Packages ⁵ (Requires STB)	Number of Channels	Monthly Price
Sports Package	15	\$5.95
Movie Package	44	\$11.95
Sports/Movie Package Combination	59	\$14.95
Spanish Language Package	25	\$11.95

Premium Channels ⁶ (Requires STB)	Number of Channels	Monthly Price
HBO ⁶	14	\$14.95
Cinemax ⁶	12	\$14.95
HBO/Cinemax Combination	26	\$24.95
Playboy TV ⁶ /Playboy TV en Español	2	\$14.95

International Premiums ⁷ (Requires STB)	Number of Channels	Monthly Price
International Premium Channels	16	Individually Priced

Video On Demand (VOD) and Pay Per View (PPV) (Requires STB)	Price
On Demand Movies	
New Releases	\$3.95
Library	\$2.95
On Demand Subscriptions	
WWE	\$7.95/mo.
On Demand Adult	\$11.95
PPV Movies	\$3.95
PPV Events	Varies
PPV Sports	Varies

Save \$5 per month when qualifying voice or data services are bundled with FiOS TV Digital Service.

¹In order to be eligible for the Movie Package or Sports Package, Expanded Basic or La Conexión is required. The Spanish Language Package may be added to Basic service, but requires a Set Top Box for access. The addition of a Set Top Box with Basic service provides access to Video on Demand and Pay Per View, as well as the ability to order Premium Channels and International Premiums.

²Router 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 \$49.99 equipment fee applies. If you maintain service for twelve (12) consecutive months, ownership of the router shall transfer to you, after which 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.

³Expanded Basic includes all Basic channels, additional all-digital programming, digital music channels and access to Pay Per View and Video on Demand (VOD).

⁴La Conexión includes all Basic 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.

Set Top Box (STB)	Monthly Price
Standard Definition	\$3.95
High Definition (includes HDTV channels)	\$9.95
Digital Video Recorder (includes HDTV channels)	\$12.95

Initial Installation	One-Time Charges
Existing Outlet Hookup (up to 3)	\$50.00
Additional Outlet/Set Top Box Hookup (existing outlet)	\$19.95
New Outlet Installation (per outlet)	\$54.95
Outlet Relocation	\$54.95

Subsequent Installations/Charges	One-Time Charges
Set Top Box Addition or Upgrade/Downgrade	\$24.95
Premises Visit ⁷	\$50.00
New Outlet Installation (per outlet)	\$54.95
Outlet Relocation (per outlet)	\$54.95
Setup of TV Equipment (new TV with existing STB)	\$50.00
Disconnect of Set Top Box ⁸	\$24.95 + \$5.00/STB
Downgrade of Service from Digital to Analog	\$50.00 + \$5.00/STB
FiOS TV Service Disconnect	No Charge
FiOS TV Service Reconnect (up to 3 outlets) ⁹	\$50.00

Other Services and Charges	One-Time Charges
Seasonal Service Suspension (charged at initiation, 2-6 months) ¹⁰	\$24.95
Replacement Remote	\$5.00 + Shipping & Handling
Unreturned/Damaged Receiver — Standard Definition	\$240.00
Unreturned/Damaged Receiver — High Definition	\$350.00
Unreturned/Damaged Receiver — Digital Video Recorder (DVR)	\$550.00

⁵Expanded Basic or La Conexión required for purchase of Movie Package or Sports Package. The Spanish Language Package may be added to Basic service. 30-day minimum billing period required for all digital packages.

⁶Subscription Video on Demand is included with all Premium Channels at no extra charge (where applicable). 30-day minimum billing period required for all Premium Channels and International Premiums.

⁷A premises visit charge is assessed when relocating or installing new outlets, or when a technician installation is required to set up a new or additional TV with an existing FiOS TV STB. A premises visit charge is not assessed when adding new, upgrading/downgrading existing or disconnecting STB receivers.

⁸The STB disconnect charge is assessed only when the customer maintains at least one FiOS TV STB. If all STB receivers are disconnected, the service downgrade charge applies.

⁹The reconnect fee applies when establishing service after a service disconnect.

¹⁰Seasonal service suspension requires a minimum suspension of two months 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 will be 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 the FiOSSM 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. ©2005. Verizon. All Rights Reserved.

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VIA OVERNIGHT DELIVERY

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Re: Verizon New York Cable Television Application Village of New Hyde Park, NY

Dear Mr. Ellen:

Pursuant to the requirement of 16 NYCRR Section 894.5(i), enclosed please find a copy of the application for a cable television franchise that Verizon New York Inc. submitted to the Village of New Hyde Park, Nassau County, New York.

Sincerely,



Marie C. Lasota
Senior Counsel

w/encls: Village of New Hyde Park Cable Franchise Application

cc: Nia McDonald, Wiley Rein & Fielding (w/o encls.)
John Spellman, Village Attorney (w/encls.)

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McDonald, Nia

From: McDonald, Nia
Sent: Thursday, November 09, 2006 4:43 PM
To: 'jspellman@spellmanlaw.com'; 'John Spellman'
Cc: 'David P. Mullen'
Subject: Village of New Hyde Park/Verizon Proposed Franchise Agreement
Attachments: NY-New Hyde Park-Final VZ Franchise Agreement-(11.9.06).pdf

John,

Attached is the proposed Final Franchise Agreement that we plan to take to your Board on Monday, November 12th for its consideration and approval. A copy will be sent in overnight mail to your Village Clerk's office this afternoon. I understand that you would like the chance to discuss this agreement with your Mayor prior to the hearing. We would like to schedule a call with you for sometime early next week after you have had a chance to speak with your Mayor to see if any issues are raised by your Board prior to the hearing. Please let me know the best time to reach you next week. If you could also let me know what time the public hearing is scheduled to begin that would be helpful so that we can guarantee that our court reporter will be available and present. Thank you as always,

Nia



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Cable Franchise Agreement

by and between

The Village of New Hyde Park, NY

and

Verizon New York Inc.

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THIS CABLE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT (the "Franchise" or "Agreement") is entered into by and between the Village of New Hyde Park, 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.

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) revenues from the sale or lease of access channel(s) or channel capacity; and (iv) 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, barter, 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 services or Franchise 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 New Hyde Park, 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 1.31.1.1 and 1.31.1.2 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:* Franchisee is in the process of completing the upgrading of its existing telecommunications and information services network through the installation of the FTTP Network in the Franchise Area pursuant to authority granted by Section 27 of the New York Transportation Corporations Law, as amended, and Title II of the Communications Act. 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 through this Franchise over the construction, placement and operation of Franchisee's mixed-use facilities; provided, however, that nothing herein shall be construed to limit the LFA's existing authority with respect to the Franchisee's mixed use facilities pursuant to Title II of the Communications Act and Section 27 of the Transportation Corporations Law.

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:* Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary herein, this Franchise is subject to and shall be governed by all applicable provisions of federal 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. 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.

2.7.2. 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 subject Franchisee to 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 in a manner 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 its pre-existing condition.

2.10. *Restoration of Subscriber Premises:* The Franchisee shall ensure that Subscriber's premises are restored to at least their pre-existing condition if damaged by the Franchisee's employees or agents in any respect in connection with the installation, repair, or disconnection of Cable Service.

2.11. Compliance with Village Code: To the extent not pre-empted by federal or state law, the Franchisee shall comply with all applicable and lawful provisions of the Code of the Village of New Hyde Park, including, but not limited to, Chapter 114 (Licensing Requirements and Procedures) thereof.

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 35 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 respectively, 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 one hundred fifty (150) feet of aerial 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 one hundred fifty (150) feet or are in an area with a density of less than 35 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 35 occupied residential dwelling units per mile if such would not be possible within the limitations of economic feasibility. 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.

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, private primary and secondary schools accredited by the New York State Board of Regents, 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 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. 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. 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.

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.

4.5. *Parental Control:* Upon request by any digital Subscriber, and where technologically feasible, the Franchisee shall provide such requesting digital Subscriber with a parental control device. Such device will, at a minimum, offer as an option that a Person ordering programming must provide a personal identification number or other means provided by the Franchisee only to a Subscriber. Provided, however, that the Franchisee shall bear no responsibility for the exercise of parental controls and shall incur no liability for any Subscriber's or viewer's exercise or failure to exercise such controls.

5. PEG SERVICES

5.1. *PEG Set Aside:*

5.1.1. In order to ensure universal availability of public, educational and government programming, Franchisee shall 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 (collectively, "PEG Channels").

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 pre-recorded 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. *Franchise Grant:*

5.2.1. The Franchisee shall pay an Upfront Franchise Grant to the LFA in the amount of Five Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$5,000.00) (the "Upfront Franchise Grant"), which shall be payable within sixty (60) days of the Effective Date.

5.2.2. The Upfront Franchise Grant shall be used by the LFA exclusively for cable-related costs, including, but not limited to, costs for studio facilities, studio and portable production equipment, editing equipment, program playback equipment, Internet connectivity and other cable-related costs as may be ascertained by the LFA. The LFA shall provide Franchisee with a complete accounting annually of the distribution of funds granted pursuant to this Section 5.2.

5.3. Consistent with Section 895.3 of the NY PSC rules and regulations, the LFA shall not award or renew a franchise for cable television service which contains economic or regulatory burdens which, when taken as a whole, are greater or lesser than those burdens placed upon the Franchisee pursuant to this Franchise.

5.4. *Recovery of Costs:* To the extent permitted by federal law, the Franchisee shall be allowed to recover the costs arising from the provision of a Franchise Grant or any other 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, line-item, or otherwise pass-through interconnection and any franchise-related costs to Subscribers.

5.5. *PEG Liability.* In accordance with 47 U.S.C. §558, the Franchisee shall not incur any liability arising from or in connection with any PEG Channels.

6. **FRANCHISE FEES**

6.1. *Payment to LFA:* Franchisee shall pay to the LFA a Franchise Fee of three percent (3%) of annual Gross Revenue (the "Franchise Fee"). In accordance with Title VI, the twelve (12) month period applicable under the Franchise for the computation of the Franchise Fee shall be a calendar year. 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. *Audit:* LFA, or its designee, may conduct an audit or other inquiry in relation to payments made by Franchisee no more than once every three (3) years during the Term. As a part of the audit process, LFA or LFA's designee may inspect Franchisee's books of accounts relative to LFA at any time during regular business hours and after thirty (30) calendar days prior written notice.

6.3.1. All records deemed by LFA or LFA's designee to be reasonably necessary for such audit shall be made available by Franchisee in a mutually agreeable format and location. Franchisee agrees to give its full cooperation in any audit and shall provide responses to inquiries within thirty (30) calendar days of a written request. Franchisee may

provide such responses within a reasonable time after the expiration of the response period above so long as Franchisee has made a good faith effort to procure any such tardy response.

6.3.2. If the results of any audit indicate that Franchisee (i) paid the correct franchise fee, (ii) overpaid the franchise fee and is entitled to a refund or credit, or (iii) underpaid the franchise fee by five percent (5%) or less, then LFA shall pay the costs of the audit. If the results of the audit indicate Franchisee underpaid the franchise fee by more than five percent (5%), then Franchisee shall pay the reasonable, documented, third-party costs of the audit, which costs shall be limited to Five Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$5,000).

6.3.3. Any auditor employed by LFA shall not be compensated on a success based formula, e.g., payment based on a percentage on underpayment, if any. Franchisee shall be provided a reasonable opportunity to review the results of any audit and to dispute any audit results which indicate an underpayment to City.

6.4. *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 can not exceed the date of records retention reflected in Section 7.

6.5. *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. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Franchisee bundles Cable Service with Non-Cable Service, the Franchisee agrees that it will not intentionally or unlawfully allocate such revenue for the purpose of evading Franchise Fee payments under this franchise. The parties agree that tariffed telecommunications services that cannot be discounted by state or federal law or regulation are to be excluded from the bundled discount allocation basis.

6.6. *Section 626 Set-Off:* The Franchise Fee as defined herein shall not constitute a set off against the special franchise tax as provided for in N.Y. Real Property Tax Law Section 626. The operation of this subparagraph shall be strictly limited to Franchise Fees lawfully imposed upon Cable Service, and shall not be construed to affect the Franchise's rights under any provision of state or federal law regarding the provision of services other than Cable Service.

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.

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, Employer's Liability Insurance, and excess liability or umbrella coverage.

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, its officers, agents, boards, elected officials and employees, for, and hold 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 of royalties, programming license fees, or infringement of copyright or patent rights arising from the Franchisee's provision of Cable Services over the Cable System other than programming provided by the LFA, 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 1.31 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 12.11 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, in accordance with 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. *Liquidated Damages:* For the violation of any of the following provisions of this Franchise, liquidated damages shall be paid by the Franchisee to the LFA. Any such liquidated damages shall be assessed as of the date that is sixty (60) days from the Franchisee's receipt of the Noncompliance Notice, provided that the Franchisee has not cured the noncompliance upon which the Noncompliance Notice was issued, in accordance with the procedures set forth in Sections 11.1 and 11.2 above. On an annual basis from the Effective Date, the Franchisee shall not be liable for liquidated damages that exceed Five Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$5,000). Liquidated damages shall be assessed as follows:

For failure to provide PEG Services to residents of the LFA
specified in Section 5.1\$50 per day for each day the
.....violation continues;

For failure to provide LFA with any reports or
records required by the Agreement
within the time period required.....\$25 per day for each day the
.....violation continues;

For failure to carry the insurance specified in
Section 8.1.1.....\$50 per day for each day the
.....violation continues; and

For failure to obtain or maintain the Security specified in Section 11.7.....\$25 per day.

11.3.1. Any liquidated damages assessed pursuant to this section shall not be a limitation upon any other provisions of this Franchise and applicable law, including revocation, or any other statutorily or judicially imposed penalties or remedies; provided, however, that in the event that the LFA collects liquidated damages for a specific breach for a specific period of time, pursuant to this Section 11.3, the collection of such liquidated damages shall be deemed to be the exclusive remedy for that specific breach for such specific period of time only.

11.3.2. The parties agree that each case of non-compliance as set forth in this Section 11.3 shall result in damage to the LFA, compensation for which will be difficult to ascertain. The parties agree that the liquidated damages in the amounts set forth in this Section 11.3 are fair and reasonable compensation for such damage.

11.4. *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 thirty (30) 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.

11.5. *Enforcement:* Subject to Section 12.11 below and applicable federal and state law, in the event the LFA, after the public hearing set forth in Section 11.4, determines that Franchisee is in default of any provision of this Franchise, the LFA may:

11.5.1. Seek specific performance of any provision, which reasonably lends itself to such remedy, as an alternative to damages; or

11.5.2. Commence an action at law for monetary damages or seek other equitable relief; or

11.5.3. In the case of a substantial noncompliance with a material provision of this Franchise, seek to revoke the Franchise in accordance with Section 11.6.

11.6. *Revocation Hearing:* At the designated public hearing at which the LFA has informed the Franchisee that revocation is a possible consequence, in accordance with the written notice requirements set forth in Section 11.4 hereof, 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.

11.6.1. Following the public hearing at which revocation is a possible consequence, 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.

11.7. *Security*: Within fifteen (15) days after the Effective Date, the Franchisee shall provide to the LFA security for the performance of its obligations under this Agreement in the amount of Fifty Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$50,000) (the "Security"). The form of this security may, at the Franchisee's option, be a performance bond, letter of credit, cash deposit, cashier's check or any other security acceptable to the LFA. If the Franchisee posts a performance bond, it shall be substantially in the form of Exhibit D attached hereto.

11.7.1. At the Franchisee's option the performance bond may be replaced with a substantially similar performance bond which, rather than having an annual term that can be extended for additional annual terms at the option of the surety, shall be cancelable by the surety giving not less than sixty (60) days written notice to the LFA, as obligee, stating therein the effective date of such termination or cancellation and providing that such notice shall not limit or terminate any obligations resulting from default by the Franchisee, as principal, that may have accrued under the performance bond as a result of default by the Franchisee prior to the effective date of such termination.

11.7.2. In the event that a performance bond provided pursuant to this Section is not renewed or is canceled, the Franchisee shall provide new security pursuant to this Section within thirty (30) days of such cancellation or failure to renew.

11.7.3. Neither cancellation, nor termination, nor refusal by surety to extend the performance bond, nor inability of the Franchisee to file a replacement performance bond or replacement security for its obligations, shall constitute a loss to the LFA recoverable under the performance bond.

11.8. *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:

Office of the Mayor
New Hyde Park Village Hall
1420 Jericho Turnpike
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

12.5.3. with a copy to:

Office of the Village Attorney
New Hyde Park Village Hall
1420 Jericho Turnpike
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

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 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. For purposes of this Agreement, the term "material provision" or "material provisions" shall mean the terms set forth in Section 2.3 (Effective Date and Term), Article 3 (Provision of Cable Service), Subsection 4.2 (System Characteristics), Section 7.1 (Open Books and Records), and Article 9 (Transfer of 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, or sex.

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. *Identification of Franchisee's Employees, Vehicles & Contractors.* The Franchisee shall require all the Franchisee personnel, contractors and subcontractors contacting Subscribers or potential Subscribers outside the office of the Franchisee to wear a clearly visible identification card bearing their name and photograph.

12.17.1. The Franchisee shall make reasonable effort to account for all identification cards at all times.

12.17.2. The Franchisee shall require all the Franchisee representatives to wear appropriate clothing while working at a Subscriber's premises.

12.17.3. The Franchisee shall require that all service vehicle of the Franchisee and its contractors or subcontractors be clearly identified as such to the public. Specifically, the Franchisee vehicles shall be required to have the Franchisee's logo plainly visible. The Franchisee shall require that all contractors and subcontractors working for the Franchisee shall have the contractor's/subcontractor's name plus markings (such as a magnetic door sign) indicating they are under contract to the Franchisee.

12.18. *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.

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

12.20. *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 _____, 2006.

Village of New Hyde Park:

By: _____
Daniel P. Petruccio, Mayor

Verizon New York Inc.

By: _____
Tracey A. Edwards, Vice President

EXHIBITS

Exhibit A: Municipal Buildings to be Provided Free Cable Service

Exhibit B: Service Area

Exhibit C: PEG Channels

Exhibit D: Security

EXHIBIT A

MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS TO BE PROVIDED FREE CABLE SERVICE

Village Hall
1420 Jericho Turnpike
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

Village Public Works Building
498 Stewart Avenue
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

Memorial Field Fieldhouse
Albert Street
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

Hillside Public Library
1950 Hillside Avenue
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

New Hyde Park Road School
New Hyde Park Road
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

New Hyde Park Volunteer Fire Department
1555 Jericho Turnpike
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

EXHIBIT B

SERVICE AREA

The Service Area shall be the Franchise Area. The construction of the Franchisee's FTTP Network has been substantially completed throughout the Franchise Area subject only to Subsection 3.1.1. and Section 3.2 of the Franchise, and accordingly it is not necessary to provide any additional details concerning the construction and/or deployment time tables and areas within the Service Area. A map of the Service Area is attached hereto.

Map Illustrating Verizon FTTP Build-out in the Village of New Hyde Park, New York

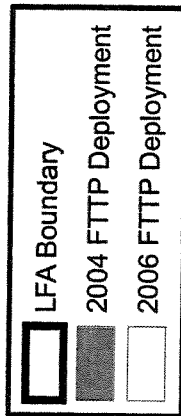
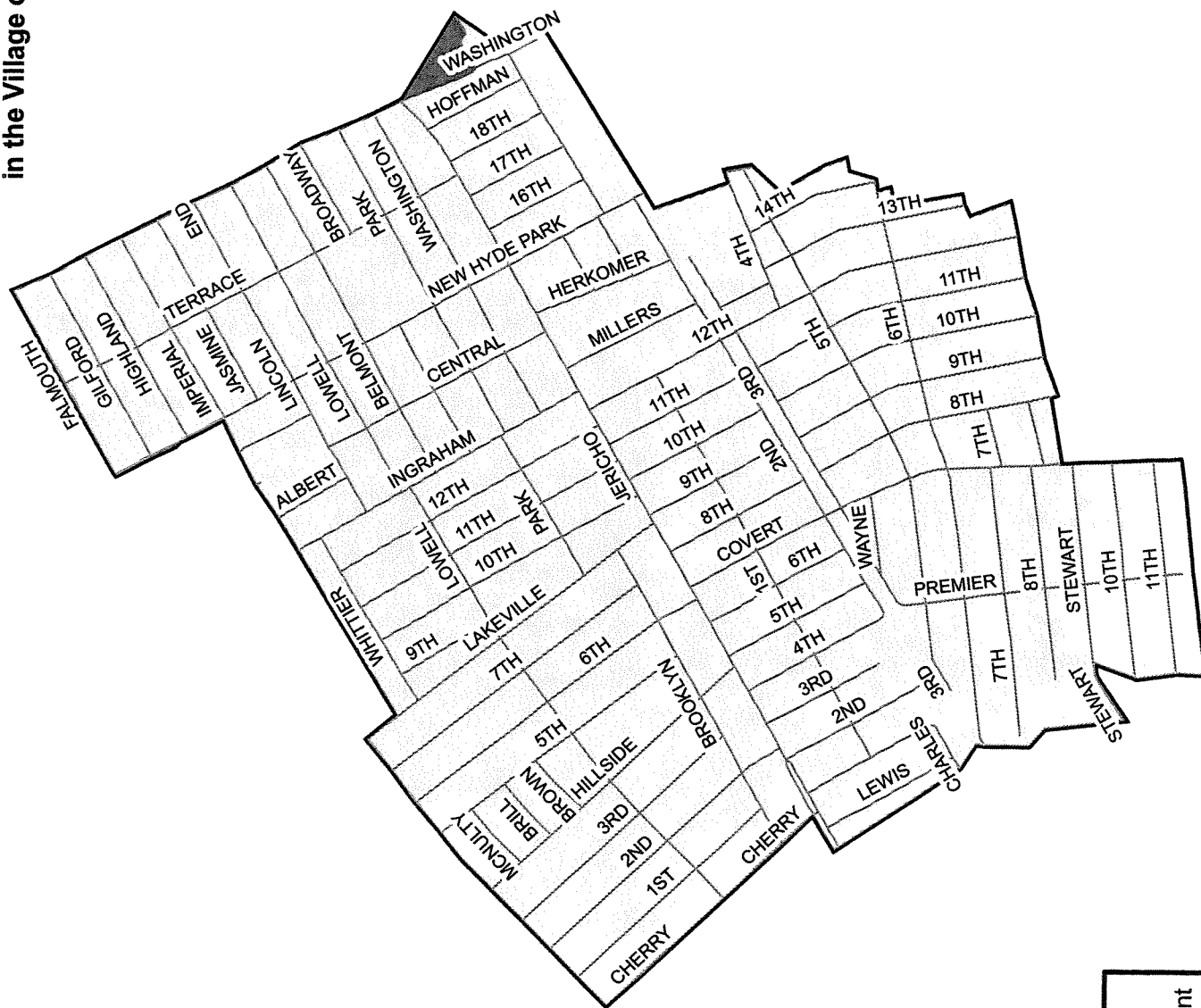


EXHIBIT C

PEG CHANNELS

Upon written request from the LFA, Franchisee shall make available on the 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 (collectively, "PEG Channels").

EXHIBIT D

SECURITY

**SAMPLE
Franchise Bond
Bond No. _____**

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That (name & address) (hereinafter called the Principal), and (name and address) (hereinafter called the Surety), a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of (state), are held and firmly bound unto (name & address) (hereinafter called the Obligee), in the full and just sum of _____ Dollars (\$ _____), the payment of which sum, well and truly to be made, the said Principal and Surety bind themselves, their heirs, administrators, executors, and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

WHEREAS, the Principal and Obligee have entered into a Franchise Agreement dated _____ which is hereby referred to and made a part hereof.

WHEREAS, said Principal is required to perform certain obligations under said Agreement.

WHEREAS, the Obligee has agreed to accept this bond as security against default by Principal of performance of its obligations under said Agreement during the time period this bond is in effect.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CONDITION OF THIS OBLIGATION IS SUCH that if the Principal shall perform its obligations under said Agreement, then this obligation shall be void, otherwise to remain in full force and effect, unless otherwise terminated, cancelled or expired as hereinafter provided.

PROVIDED HOWEVER, that this bond is executed subject to the following express provisions and conditions:

1. In the event of default by the Principal, Obligee shall deliver to Surety a written statement of the details of such default within 30 days after the Obligee shall learn of the same, such notice to be delivered by certified mail to address of said Surety as stated herein.
2. This bond is for the annual term beginning _____ and ending _____, and may be extended for additional annual terms at the sole option of the surety.
3. Neither cancellation, termination nor refusal by Surety to extend this bond, nor inability of Principal to file a replacement bond or replacement security for its obligations under said Agreement, shall constitute a loss to the Obligee recoverable under this bond.
4. No claim, action, suit or proceeding shall be instituted against this bond unless same be brought or instituted and process served within one year after termination or cancellation of this bond.

Accepted by Obligee: _____
(Signature & date above - Print Name, Title below)

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VIA OVERNIGHT DELIVERY

Patrick Farrell, Village Clerk
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Re: Verizon New York Inc. for a Cable Television Franchise

Dear Mr. Farrell:

Enclosed please find the final proposed cable franchise agreement of Verizon New York Inc. for the Village of New Hyde Park. Please place this document on file at the Village Clerk's office along with the Application of Verizon New York Inc. to the Village of New Hyde Park previously submitted on November 8, 2006.

Please contact me at (202) 719-4633 should you have any questions.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nia McDonald".

Nia Y. McDonald

Enclosure

Cable Franchise Agreement

by and between

The Village of New Hyde Park, NY

and

Verizon New York Inc.

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THIS CABLE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT (the "Franchise" or "Agreement") is entered into by and between the Village of New Hyde Park, 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.

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) revenues from the sale or lease of access channel(s) or channel capacity; and (iv) 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, barter, 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 services or Franchise 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 New Hyde Park, 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 1.31.1.1 and 1.31.1.2 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:* Franchisee is in the process of completing the upgrading of its existing telecommunications and information services network through the installation of the FTTP Network in the Franchise Area pursuant to authority granted by Section 27 of the New York Transportation Corporations Law, as amended, and Title II of the Communications Act. 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 through this Franchise over the construction, placement and operation of Franchisee's mixed-use facilities; provided, however, that nothing herein shall be construed to limit the LFA's existing authority with respect to the Franchisee's mixed use facilities pursuant to Title II of the Communications Act and Section 27 of the Transportation Corporations Law.

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:* Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary herein, this Franchise is subject to and shall be governed by all applicable provisions of federal 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. 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.

2.7.2. 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 subject Franchisee to 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 in a manner 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 its pre-existing condition.

2.10. *Restoration of Subscriber Premises:* The Franchisee shall ensure that Subscriber's premises are restored to at least their pre-existing condition if damaged by the Franchisee's employees or agents in any respect in connection with the installation, repair, or disconnection of Cable Service.

2.11. Compliance with Village Code: To the extent not pre-empted by federal or state law, the Franchisee shall comply with all applicable and lawful provisions of the Code of the Village of New Hyde Park, including, but not limited to, Chapter 114 (Licensing Requirements and Procedures) thereof.

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 35 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 respectively, 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 one hundred fifty (150) feet of aerial 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 one hundred fifty (150) feet or are in an area with a density of less than 35 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 35 occupied residential dwelling units per mile if such would not be possible within the limitations of economic feasibility. 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.

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, private primary and secondary schools accredited by the New York State Board of Regents, 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 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. 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. 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.

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.

4.5. *Parental Control:* Upon request by any digital Subscriber, and where technologically feasible, the Franchisee shall provide such requesting digital Subscriber with a parental control device. Such device will, at a minimum, offer as an option that a Person ordering programming must provide a personal identification number or other means provided by the Franchisee only to a Subscriber. Provided, however, that the Franchisee shall bear no responsibility for the exercise of parental controls and shall incur no liability for any Subscriber's or viewer's exercise or failure to exercise such controls.

5. PEG SERVICES

5.1. *PEG Set Aside:*

5.1.1. In order to ensure universal availability of public, educational and government programming, Franchisee shall 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 (collectively, "PEG Channels").

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 pre-recorded 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. *Franchise Grant:*

5.2.1. The Franchisee shall pay an Upfront Franchise Grant to the LFA in the amount of Five Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$5,000.00) (the "Upfront Franchise Grant"), which shall be payable within sixty (60) days of the Effective Date.

5.2.2. The Upfront Franchise Grant shall be used by the LFA exclusively for cable-related costs, including, but not limited to, costs for studio facilities, studio and portable production equipment, editing equipment, program playback equipment, Internet connectivity and other cable-related costs as may be ascertained by the LFA. The LFA shall provide Franchisee with a complete accounting annually of the distribution of funds granted pursuant to this Section 5.2.

5.3. Consistent with Section 895.3 of the NY PSC rules and regulations, the LFA shall not award or renew a franchise for cable television service which contains economic or regulatory burdens which, when taken as a whole, are greater or lesser than those burdens placed upon the Franchisee pursuant to this Franchise.

5.4. *Recovery of Costs:* To the extent permitted by federal law, the Franchisee shall be allowed to recover the costs arising from the provision of a Franchise Grant or any other 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, line-item, or otherwise pass-through interconnection and any franchise-related costs to Subscribers.

5.5. *PEG Liability.* In accordance with 47 U.S.C. §558, the Franchisee shall not incur any liability arising from or in connection with any PEG Channels.

6. **FRANCHISE FEES**

6.1. *Payment to LFA:* Franchisee shall pay to the LFA a Franchise Fee of three percent (3%) of annual Gross Revenue (the "Franchise Fee"). In accordance with Title VI, the twelve (12) month period applicable under the Franchise for the computation of the Franchise Fee shall be a calendar year. 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. *Audit:* LFA, or its designee, may conduct an audit or other inquiry in relation to payments made by Franchisee no more than once every three (3) years during the Term. As a part of the audit process, LFA or LFA's designee may inspect Franchisee's books of accounts relative to LFA at any time during regular business hours and after thirty (30) calendar days prior written notice.

6.3.1. All records deemed by LFA or LFA's designee to be reasonably necessary for such audit shall be made available by Franchisee in a mutually agreeable format and location. Franchisee agrees to give its full cooperation in any audit and shall provide responses to inquiries within thirty (30) calendar days of a written request. Franchisee may

provide such responses within a reasonable time after the expiration of the response period above so long as Franchisee has made a good faith effort to procure any such tardy response.

6.3.2. If the results of any audit indicate that Franchisee (i) paid the correct franchise fee, (ii) overpaid the franchise fee and is entitled to a refund or credit, or (iii) underpaid the franchise fee by five percent (5%) or less, then LFA shall pay the costs of the audit. If the results of the audit indicate Franchisee underpaid the franchise fee by more than five percent (5%), then Franchisee shall pay the reasonable, documented, third-party costs of the audit, which costs shall be limited to Five Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$5,000).

6.3.3. Any auditor employed by LFA shall not be compensated on a success based formula, e.g., payment based on a percentage on underpayment, if any. Franchisee shall be provided a reasonable opportunity to review the results of any audit and to dispute any audit results which indicate an underpayment to City.

6.4. *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 can not exceed the date of records retention reflected in Section 7.

6.5. *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. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Franchisee bundles Cable Service with Non-Cable Service, the Franchisee agrees that it will not intentionally or unlawfully allocate such revenue for the purpose of evading Franchise Fee payments under this franchise. The parties agree that tariffed telecommunications services that cannot be discounted by state or federal law or regulation are to be excluded from the bundled discount allocation basis.

6.6. *Section 626 Set-Off:* The Franchise Fee as defined herein shall not constitute a set off against the special franchise tax as provided for in N.Y. Real Property Tax Law Section 626. The operation of this subparagraph shall be strictly limited to Franchise Fees lawfully imposed upon Cable Service, and shall not be construed to affect the Franchise's rights under any provision of state or federal law regarding the provision of services other than Cable Service.

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.

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, Employer's Liability Insurance, and excess liability or umbrella coverage.

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, its officers, agents, boards, elected officials and employees, for, and hold 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 of royalties, programming license fees, or infringement of copyright or patent rights arising from the Franchisee's provision of Cable Services over the Cable System other than programming provided by the LFA, 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 1.31 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 12.11 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, in accordance with 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. *Liquidated Damages:* For the violation of any of the following provisions of this Franchise, liquidated damages shall be paid by the Franchisee to the LFA. Any such liquidated damages shall be assessed as of the date that is sixty (60) days from the Franchisee's receipt of the Noncompliance Notice, provided that the Franchisee has not cured the noncompliance upon which the Noncompliance Notice was issued, in accordance with the procedures set forth in Sections 11.1 and 11.2 above. On an annual basis from the Effective Date, the Franchisee shall not be liable for liquidated damages that exceed Five Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$5,000). Liquidated damages shall be assessed as follows:

For failure to provide PEG Services to residents of the LFA
specified in Section 5.1\$50 per day for each day the
.....violation continues;

For failure to provide LFA with any reports or
records required by the Agreement
within the time period required.....\$25 per day for each day the
.....violation continues;

For failure to carry the insurance specified in
Section 8.1.1.....\$50 per day for each day the
.....violation continues; and

For failure to obtain or maintain the Security specified in Section 11.7.....\$25 per day.

11.3.1. Any liquidated damages assessed pursuant to this section shall not be a limitation upon any other provisions of this Franchise and applicable law, including revocation, or any other statutorily or judicially imposed penalties or remedies; provided, however, that in the event that the LFA collects liquidated damages for a specific breach for a specific period of time, pursuant to this Section 11.3, the collection of such liquidated damages shall be deemed to be the exclusive remedy for that specific breach for such specific period of time only.

11.3.2. The parties agree that each case of non-compliance as set forth in this Section 11.3 shall result in damage to the LFA, compensation for which will be difficult to ascertain. The parties agree that the liquidated damages in the amounts set forth in this Section 11.3 are fair and reasonable compensation for such damage.

11.4. *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 thirty (30) 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.

11.5. *Enforcement:* Subject to Section 12.11 below and applicable federal and state law, in the event the LFA, after the public hearing set forth in Section 11.4, determines that Franchisee is in default of any provision of this Franchise, the LFA may:

11.5.1. Seek specific performance of any provision, which reasonably lends itself to such remedy, as an alternative to damages; or

11.5.2. Commence an action at law for monetary damages or seek other equitable relief; or

11.5.3. In the case of a substantial noncompliance with a material provision of this Franchise, seek to revoke the Franchise in accordance with Section 11.6.

11.6. *Revocation Hearing:* At the designated public hearing at which the LFA has informed the Franchisee that revocation is a possible consequence, in accordance with the written notice requirements set forth in Section 11.4 hereof, 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.

11.6.1. Following the public hearing at which revocation is a possible consequence, 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.

11.7. *Security*: Within fifteen (15) days after the Effective Date, the Franchisee shall provide to the LFA security for the performance of its obligations under this Agreement in the amount of Fifty Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$50,000) (the "Security"). The form of this security may, at the Franchisee's option, be a performance bond, letter of credit, cash deposit, cashier's check or any other security acceptable to the LFA. If the Franchisee posts a performance bond, it shall be substantially in the form of Exhibit D attached hereto.

11.7.1. At the Franchisee's option the performance bond may be replaced with a substantially similar performance bond which, rather than having an annual term that can be extended for additional annual terms at the option of the surety, shall be cancelable by the surety giving not less than sixty (60) days written notice to the LFA, as obligee, stating therein the effective date of such termination or cancellation and providing that such notice shall not limit or terminate any obligations resulting from default by the Franchisee, as principal, that may have accrued under the performance bond as a result of default by the Franchisee prior to the effective date of such termination.

11.7.2. In the event that a performance bond provided pursuant to this Section is not renewed or is canceled, the Franchisee shall provide new security pursuant to this Section within thirty (30) days of such cancellation or failure to renew.

11.7.3. Neither cancellation, nor termination, nor refusal by surety to extend the performance bond, nor inability of the Franchisee to file a replacement performance bond or replacement security for its obligations, shall constitute a loss to the LFA recoverable under the performance bond.

11.8. *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:

Office of the Mayor
New Hyde Park Village Hall
1420 Jericho Turnpike
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

12.5.3. with a copy to:

Office of the Village Attorney
New Hyde Park Village Hall
1420 Jericho Turnpike
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

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 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. For purposes of this Agreement, the term "material provision" or "material provisions" shall mean the terms set forth in Section 2.3 (Effective Date and Term), Article 3 (Provision of Cable Service), Subsection 4.2 (System Characteristics), Section 7.1 (Open Books and Records), and Article 9 (Transfer of 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, or sex.

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. *Identification of Franchisee's Employees, Vehicles & Contractors.* The Franchisee shall require all the Franchisee personnel, contractors and subcontractors contacting Subscribers or potential Subscribers outside the office of the Franchisee to wear a clearly visible identification card bearing their name and photograph.

12.17.1. The Franchisee shall make reasonable effort to account for all identification cards at all times.

12.17.2. The Franchisee shall require all the Franchisee representatives to wear appropriate clothing while working at a Subscriber's premises.

12.17.3. The Franchisee shall require that all service vehicle of the Franchisee and its contractors or subcontractors be clearly identified as such to the public. Specifically, the Franchisee vehicles shall be required to have the Franchisee's logo plainly visible. The Franchisee shall require that all contractors and subcontractors working for the Franchisee shall have the contractor's/subcontractor's name plus markings (such as a magnetic door sign) indicating they are under contract to the Franchisee.

12.18. *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.

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

12.20. *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 _____, 2006.

Village of New Hyde Park:

By: _____
Daniel P. Petruccio, Mayor

Verizon New York Inc.

By: _____
Tracey A. Edwards, Vice President

EXHIBITS

Exhibit A: Municipal Buildings to be Provided Free Cable Service

Exhibit B: Service Area

Exhibit C: PEG Channels

Exhibit D: Security

EXHIBIT A

MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS TO BE PROVIDED FREE CABLE SERVICE

Village Hall
1420 Jericho Turnpike
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

Village Public Works Building
498 Stewart Avenue
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

Memorial Field Fieldhouse
Albert Street
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

Hillside Public Library
1950 Hillside Avenue
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

New Hyde Park Road School
New Hyde Park Road
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

New Hyde Park Volunteer Fire Department
1555 Jericho Turnpike
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

EXHIBIT B

SERVICE AREA

The Service Area shall be the Franchise Area. The construction of the Franchisee's FTTP Network has been substantially completed throughout the Franchise Area subject only to Subsection 3.1.1. and Section 3.2 of the Franchise, and accordingly it is not necessary to provide any additional details concerning the construction and/or deployment time tables and areas within the Service Area. A map of the Service Area is attached hereto.

Map Illustrating Verizon FTTTP Build-out in the Village of New Hyde Park, New York

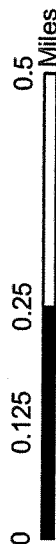
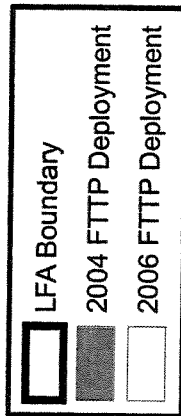
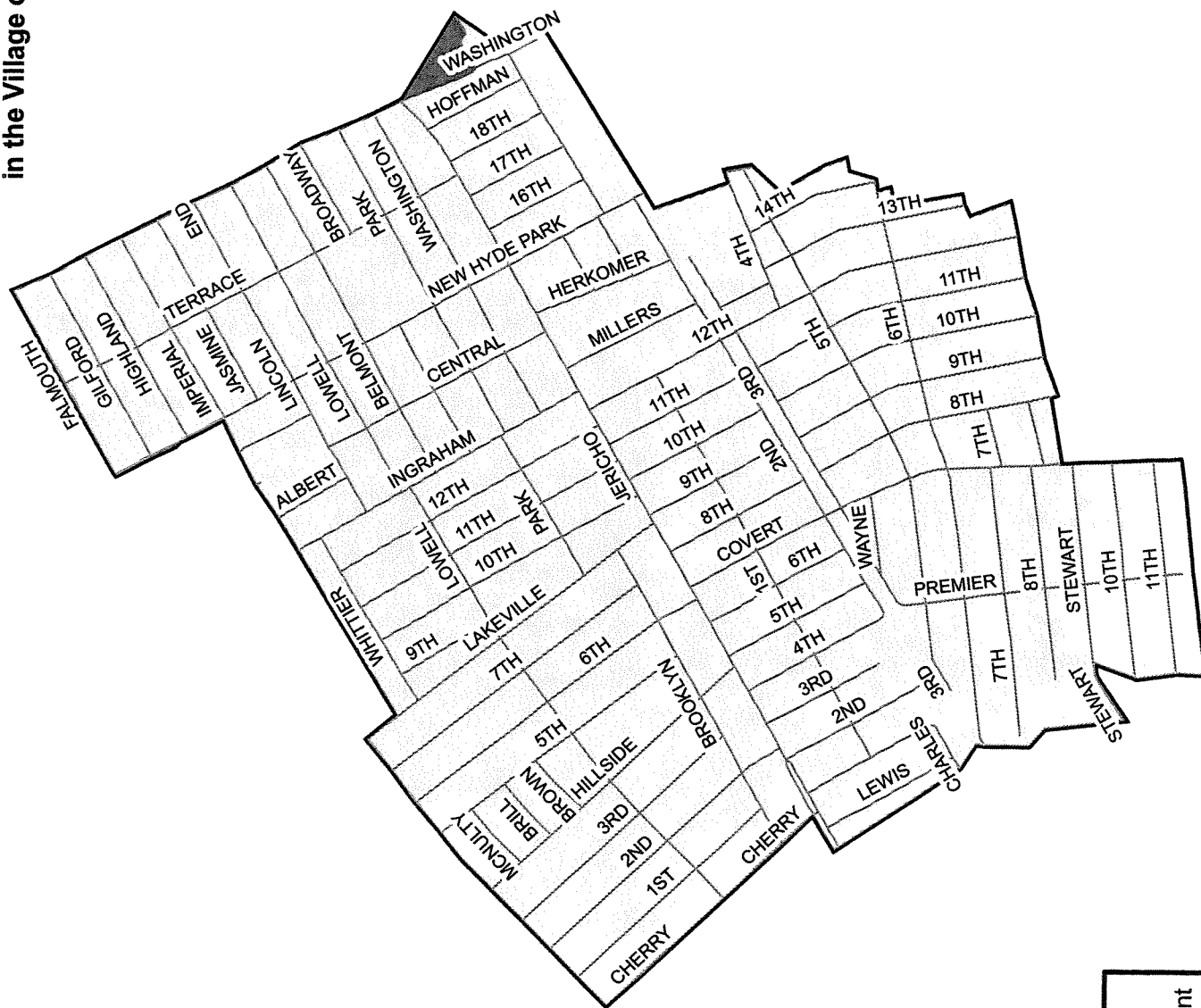


EXHIBIT C

PEG CHANNELS

Upon written request from the LFA, Franchisee shall make available on the 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 (collectively, "PEG Channels").

EXHIBIT D

SECURITY

**SAMPLE
Franchise Bond
Bond No. _____**

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That (name & address) (hereinafter called the Principal), and (name and address) (hereinafter called the Surety), a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of (state), are held and firmly bound unto (name & address) (hereinafter called the Obligee), in the full and just sum of _____ Dollars (\$ _____), the payment of which sum, well and truly to be made, the said Principal and Surety bind themselves, their heirs, administrators, executors, and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

WHEREAS, the Principal and Obligee have entered into a Franchise Agreement dated _____ which is hereby referred to and made a part hereof.

WHEREAS, said Principal is required to perform certain obligations under said Agreement.

WHEREAS, the Obligee has agreed to accept this bond as security against default by Principal of performance of its obligations under said Agreement during the time period this bond is in effect.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CONDITION OF THIS OBLIGATION IS SUCH that if the Principal shall perform its obligations under said Agreement, then this obligation shall be void, otherwise to remain in full force and effect, unless otherwise terminated, cancelled or expired as hereinafter provided.

PROVIDED HOWEVER, that this bond is executed subject to the following express provisions and conditions:

1. In the event of default by the Principal, Obligee shall deliver to Surety a written statement of the details of such default within 30 days after the Obligee shall learn of the same, such notice to be delivered by certified mail to address of said Surety as stated herein.
2. This bond is for the annual term beginning _____ and ending _____, and may be extended for additional annual terms at the sole option of the surety.
3. Neither cancellation, termination nor refusal by Surety to extend this bond, nor inability of Principal to file a replacement bond or replacement security for its obligations under said Agreement, shall constitute a loss to the Obligee recoverable under this bond.
4. No claim, action, suit or proceeding shall be instituted against this bond unless same be brought or instituted and process served within one year after termination or cancellation of this bond.

Accepted by Obligee: _____
(Signature & date above - Print Name, Title below)

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Dear Mr. Mayor and Trustees of The Incorporated Village of New Hyde Park:

On behalf of Verizon New York Inc. ("Verizon"), thank you for affording Verizon the opportunity to appear before you at the upcoming November 20, 2006 Public Hearing (the "Public Hearing") regarding its Application to the Village of New Hyde Park ("New Hyde Park" or the "Village") for a cable television franchise ("Verizon Franchise").

INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

The Village and Verizon have worked diligently to introduce the benefits of cable competition to New Hyde Park residents. The incumbent cable service provider will lobby to protect its pecuniary interest by trying to deny New Hyde Park residents the ability to choose an alternate cable provider.

The Public Hearing represents the culmination of an extensive and cooperative effort on the part of the Village and Verizon to introduce cable competition and its attendant benefits to New Hyde Park. Verizon has made the significant capital investments necessary to upgrade its telecommunications network to enable it to deliver a new generation of ultra-high-speed broadband data services, including video service, to New Hyde Park residents over a "fiber to the premises" network (the "FTTP Network"). The FTTP Network is an innovative new technology that uses fiber-optic cable and optical electronics to link homes and businesses *directly* to Verizon's network. The FTTP Network enables Verizon to provide New Hyde Park residents with lightning-fast internet access and superior telephone service. Additionally, the FTTP Network provides next-generation technology that has virtually limitless capacity to deliver *state-of-the-art* cable

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television service to Village residents, which will open the market to unprecedented competition.

The Village has demonstrated a strong commitment to benefit its residents through the introduction of cable competition. During the past few months, the Village's attorney labored industriously with Verizon to reach an agreement that is legally sound, fulfills New Hyde Park's cable-related needs and interests, and will enable Verizon to compete with the incumbent on a competitively-neutral basis.

While the Village and Verizon have worked closely to advance the public interest by introducing the benefits of cable competition, the incumbent cable service provider Cablevision has unfortunately engaged in a vigorous campaign designed to thwart the creation of a competitive market in the Village and elsewhere. This campaign is designed to intimidate the Village in order to prevent, or at least delay, the introduction of cable competition and to deprive your constituents of the opportunity to choose a real alternative video service provider. This is a self-serving effort *designed solely* to protect Cablevision's pecuniary interest and market dominance. Cablevision's objections are not offered in the spirit of championing the Village's interests but rather to preclude New Hyde Park residents from having the opportunity to switch providers. It is essential that the Village evaluate the merits of Cablevision's complaints and objections against this backdrop.

Cablevision's tactics violate the spirit of the fundamentally pro-competitive federal and state law, which are designed to reduce regulatory barriers to market entry and to *encourage* companies like Verizon to make the significant capital investments necessary to deliver a new generation of services.

DISCUSSION

Verizon anticipates that Cablevision will propound the same arguments to the Village that it has repeatedly propounded throughout the process in each municipality where Verizon jeopardizes its monopoly position. Cablevision insinuates, contrary to numerous New York Public Service Commission ("NY PSC") orders, that the Verizon Franchise violates the level playing field requirement due to perceived deficiencies in the following primary areas – build out, force majeure, and indemnification. Although Verizon maintains the position that Cablevision's arguments are wholly without merit, to assist in your analysis, Verizon respectfully provides the following information in support of the Village's

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commitment to deliver competition to its residents. This information also includes discussion to address any level playing field concerns that the Village may have.

LEVEL PLAYING FIELD

The NY PSC's renumbered and amended cable television rules include a "level playing field" provision codified in 16 NYCRR § 895.3. This provision provides that "[n]o municipality may award or renew a franchise for cable television service which contains economic or regulatory burdens, which *when taken as a whole*, are greater or lesser than those burdens placed on another cable franchise operating in the same area."¹ The central question in a level playing field analysis is not whether there is a perceived disparity between the burdens imposed by specific franchise provisions considered in isolation, but whether the burdens on the two franchises, when taken as a whole, are so materially disproportionate as to preclude fair competition between providers. The regulation does not permit a side-by-side comparison of discrete provisions that are immaterial and/or inconsequential to the day-to-day operations of a business that delivers video and other services to subscribers. As the NY PSC observed in adopting the regulation,

[t]he level playing field provision does not preclude different franchise terms for different companies. *Rather*, it requires that economic and regulatory burdens *taken as a whole*, shall not be greater for one company than another. The language is intended to maintain flexibility for municipalities in attracting competing companies while ensuring fairness to all companies competing in an area.²

Notwithstanding the explicit direction of the NY PSC regarding the manner in which the level playing field analysis must be conducted, Cablevision has persistently attempted to allege that immaterial discrepancies between discrete provisions of Verizon's and Cablevision's respective franchises constitute level playing field violations. However, in each instance where Cablevision has raised this claim, the NY PSC has expressly overruled Cablevision by holding that Verizon's proposed franchise agreement for various municipalities "does not violate

¹ See 16 NYCRR § 895.3 (emphasis added).

² *Memorandum and Resolution Adopting 16 NYCRR Parts 890 Through 899*, Case 01-V-0381 at 1 (Issued and Effective Apr. 4, 2005) (emphasis added).

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the Commission's level playing field rule."³ The NY PSC stated further that a level playing field analysis,

does not compel us to undertake a term for term comparison of the respective franchise agreements. Nor will we review the franchise agreements in isolation. Our rule does not preclude the existence of different franchise terms for different companies as they roll out their cable service in various municipalities, should events and circumstances so warrant.⁴

In each case in which the NY PSC addressed Cablevision's level playing field claim, the NY PSC found that, with respect to a comparison between the Cablevision and Verizon franchises,

the remaining discrepancies do not, when taken as a whole, substantiate a level-playing field violation. The differences are *immaterial, speculative*, ill-defined in terms of economic impact and *counterbalanced* by other obligations (e.g., other telephone related oversight obligations) and the fact that Verizon is a new entrant in the cable market.⁵

In spite of the NY PSC's dispositive determinations on this issue, Cablevision continues to claim that Verizon's proposed franchise agreements run afoul of the level playing field requirement.

Cablevision has recently attempted to confound the level playing field requirement by suggesting to various New York municipalities that the measure of

³ *Order and Certificate of Confirmation*, Case 05-V-1263 at 23 (Issued and Effective Dec. 15, 2005) [hereinafter *Massapequa Park Order*]; *Order and Certificate of Confirmation*, Case 05-V-1570 at 13 (Issued and Effective Feb. 8, 2006) [hereinafter *Nyack Order*]; *Order and Certificate of Confirmation*, Case 05-V-1571 at 13 (Issued and Effective Feb. 8, 2006) [hereinafter *South Nyack Order*].

⁴ *Massapequa Park Order* at 23; *Nyack Order* at 13; *South Nyack Order* at 13.

⁵ *Nyack Order* at 13; *South Nyack Order* at 13. See also *Massapequa Park Order* at 23.

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the level playing field is Verizon's agreements with other municipalities in New York. In fact, the NY PSC's level playing field analysis requires Verizon's agreement with the Village to be compared in its totality to Cablevision's agreement with the Village, not to other municipalities. In this regard, and in consideration of the economic and regulatory burdens and benefits present in the incumbent agreement, Verizon and the Village's attorney have worked diligently to identify the particular documented needs of New Hyde Park, and those needs are reflected in the Verizon Franchise that has been presented to the Board for its consideration.

FORCE MAJEURE

As a general matter, Verizon's "force majeure" definition is significantly tighter than Cablevision's description of "force majeure" events. Verizon's definition imposes a "reasonableness" standard and includes Verizon's ability to "*anticipate and control*" a situation; Cablevision's description contains the catch all "other events beyond the reasonable control of Franchisee." Practically any event can fall into this category.

Section 8.3 of the Cablevision Franchise⁶ does not define "force majeure," yet it specifically states:

In no event, and notwithstanding any contrary provision in this section or elsewhere in this Agreement, shall this Agreement be subject to revocation or termination, or Franchisee be liable for non-compliance with or delay in the performance of any obligation hereunder, where its failure to cure or to take reasonable steps to cure is directly attributable to formal U.S. declaration of war, government ban on the affected obligation, U.S. government sponsored or supported embargo, civil commotion, strikes or work stoppages (except those against Franchisee and its affiliates), fires, and any acts of God or of nature *or other events beyond the immediate control of Franchisee.*⁷

⁶ "Franchise Agreement between the Village of New Hyde Park, Nassau County, State of New York and Cablevision Systems Long Island Corporation," dated June 5, 2002 (the "Cablevision Franchise").

⁷ *Id.* at 24, §8.3 (emphasis added).

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As a review of this provision makes apparent, the final sentence would effectively permit Cablevision to be relieved of accountability for performance for an indeterminate and indefinable range of circumstances.

By contrast, Section 1.12 of the Verizon Franchise very narrowly defines "force majeure" as:

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.

In offering its "assistance" to the Village, and despite the obvious shortcomings of its own language, Cablevision will likely instruct the Village to delete from Verizon Franchise § 1.12 the phrase "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."

Nonetheless, such descriptive circumstances are highly appropriate. First, utility poles in Nassau County are shared by Verizon and the power company Long Island Power Authority ("LIPA"), with maintenance responsibilities allocated among the parties. If LIPA fails to service, monitor or maintain one or more poles for which it bears responsibility, there is a possibility that Verizon may face work delays as a result.

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Second, Verizon is a telecommunications company, not a manufacturer. There is currently a wave of consolidation in the worldwide electronics equipment manufacturing industry. As a result of the sea change in the industry, there may possibly be an unavailability of materials. Moreover, the FTTP Network is *bleeding-edge* technology, so there is likelihood that, as the technology evolves, there may, from time to time, be a temporary shortages of materials.

Finally, unlike Cablevision's employees, Verizon's employees are represented by organized labor unions, and work is allocated pursuant to Verizon's obligations under collective bargaining agreements. Therefore, even absent the events of strike, labor disturbance and other disputes, there may be situations where Verizon faces an unavailability of qualified labor to perform the work necessary.

EVASION OF PERFORMANCE

Cablevision has implied consistently that the Verizon Franchise contains provisions that could be used by Verizon to avoid inconvenient franchise obligations. This is a veiled insinuation that the Verizon Franchise places lesser economic and regulatory burdens on Verizon than those imposed on Cablevision in its franchise.

Cablevision will likely campaign to delete Verizon Franchise § 12.4.1. This language merely protects Verizon from a situation in which the Village would rely on good faith error resulting in no or minimal impact on subscribers as a basis for imposing the ultimate sanction of "forfeiture or revocation of the Franchise." The Village may still avail itself of the remedy of revocation in the event of "substantial noncompliance with a material provision of" the Verizon Franchise pursuant to the enforcement and revocation mechanisms in the franchise. As in the Cablevision Franchise, the Verizon Franchise explicitly sets forth "material provisions."

You should be aware that Cablevision sought to have Verizon Franchise §12.4.1 deleted in the majority of the effective Verizon franchises. Cablevision raised the issue both at the local level and during confirmation proceedings. In fact, the NY PSC recently ordered that "no modification or conditioning" of Section 12.4.1 of the agreement is required because "no Commission rule prevents the parties from agreeing to such a provision."⁸

⁸ *Hempstead Order* at 6.

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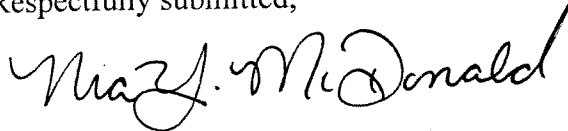
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CONCLUSION

Verizon remains eager to introduce cable competition to New Hyde Park and to offer New Hyde Park residents the opportunity to choose among cable providers. To fulfill their commitment to bring choice to Village residents, the Village and Verizon have worked diligently to negotiate an agreement that is fair and that complies with all applicable laws. Cablevision's anticompetitive tactics are designed solely to protect its market dominance by denying New Hyde Park residents the benefits of a competitive alternative. The self-serving assertions relate not to the inherent fairness of permitting Verizon to compete head-to-head for video subscribers in New Hyde Park, but instead solely to promote Cablevision's pecuniary interest in forestalling Verizon's entry into the market at all costs. It is imperative that the Village review Cablevision's "suggestions" in this narrow context.

Verizon anticipates the Board's approval of its franchise and is excited to benefit Village residents through the introduction of cable competition. In the meantime, we remain available to answer any questions that you may have.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Nia Y. McDonald". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Nia Y. McDonald

cc: John Spellman, Village Attorney
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November 15, 2006

The Honorable Daniel P. Petruccio, Mayor
Village of New Hyde Park
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Dear Mayor Petruccio:

Verizon is looking forward to the public hearing on November 20th in the Village of New Hyde Park 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 the Village of New Hyde Park.

I respect and thank you and those who negotiated on behalf of the town 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 for the residents of the Village of New Hyde Park. 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 New Hyde Park.

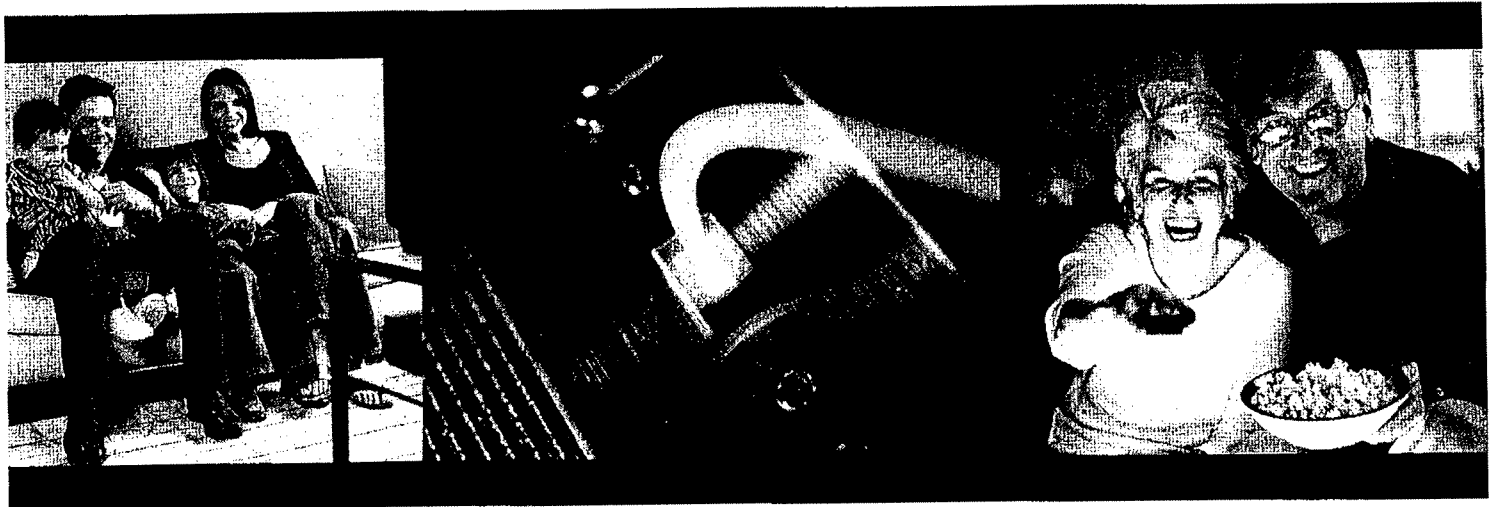
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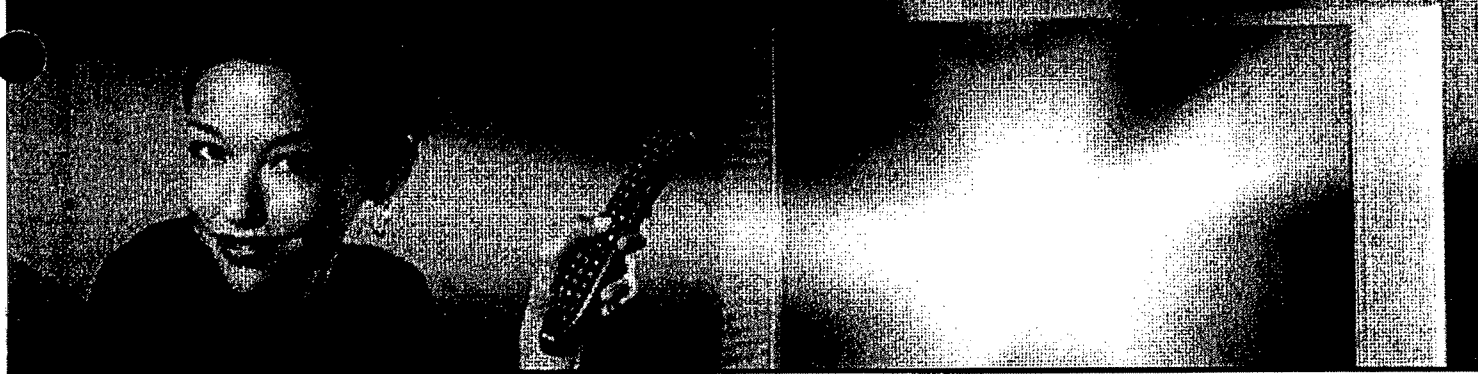
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Village of New Hyde Park, NY



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FiOS TV is the alternative to cable and satellite you've been waiting for. It's all about simple packages and competitive prices. At \$39.95, FiOS TV Premier delivers an unmatched lineup with more than 200 channels of television and music entertainment. It's an even better value - \$34.95 -- 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. These advantages add up to a vast new dimension of bandwidth, speed and power.

More On Demand

With FiOS TV, you have instant access to a library of more than 2,500 of the latest titles; blockbuster movies, kids' shows, sports programs and much more, all at a touch of a button.

More HDTV

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

Superior Video and Audio

You'll experience spectacular picture quality, hyper real color and incredibly flawless sound that satisfy even the most discerning home theater buff.

Dual-tuner DVR

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.

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 like, RAI (Italian), TV5 (French), ART (Arabic), TV Japan (Japanese) you stay connected to the world.

More channels. More choices. That's what Verizon FiOS TV offers you. Take a look at the range of channels available with our Expanded Basic and La Conexión packages. Plus, access a library of On Demand titles whenever you want with our digital service.

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

Scroll through a library of more than 2,400 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 over 1,000 titles from sports, home & leisure, music, pop culture and more with 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 all past and present episodes of 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:

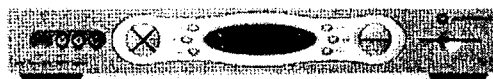
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- Easy installation from the FiOS TV HD Set Top Box
- Dolby 5.1 digital surround sound

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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
- Set your DVR to record your favorite show when you're not home
- Record one show while watching another or record two shows at the same time while watching a third recorded show

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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
Local Package ¹	15-35	\$12.95

Digital Service (Requires Set Top Box (STB) and Router ²)		
Premier Package ³	160 + Basic	\$39.95
La Conexión ⁴	115 + Basic	\$32.95

New, add more channels for just a few dollars more.

Packages ⁵ (Requires STB)	Number of Channels	Monthly Price
Sports	15	\$5.95
Movies	44	\$11.95
Sports/Movie Combination	59	\$14.95
Spanish-Language	25	\$11.95

HBO ⁶	14	\$14.95
Cinemax ⁶	12	\$14.95
HBO/Cinemax Combination	26	\$24.95
Playboy TV/Playboy TV en Español	2	\$14.95

International Premiums (Requires STB)	Number of Channels	Monthly Price
International Premium Channels	16	Individually Priced

Video On Demand (VOD) and Pay Per View (PPV) (Requires STB)	Price	On Demand Movies
New Releases		\$3.95
Library		\$2.95
On Demand Subscriptions		
WWE		\$7.95/mo.
On Demand Adult		\$11.95/mo.

PPV Movies	\$3.95/each
PPV Events	Varies
PPV Sports	Varies

Standard Definition	\$3.95
High Definition (includes HDTV channels)	\$9.95
Digital Video Recorder (includes HDTV channels)	\$12.95

Existing Outlet Hookup (up to 3)	\$50.00
Additional Outlet/Set Top Box Hookup (existing outlet)	\$19.95
New Outlet Installation (per outlet)	\$54.95
Outlet Relocation	\$54.95

Set Top Box Addition or Upgrade/Downgrade	\$24.95
Premises Visit ⁷	\$50.00
New Outlet Installation (per outlet)	\$54.95
Outlet Relocation (per outlet)	\$54.95
Setup of TV Equipment (new TV with existing STB)	\$50.00
Disconnect of Set Top Box ⁸	\$24.95 + \$5.00/STB
Downgrade of Service from Digital to Analog	\$50.00 + \$5.00/STB
FIOS TV Service Disconnect	No Charge
FIOS TV Service Reconnect (up to 3 outlets) ⁹	\$50.00

Other Services and Charges	One-Time Charges
Seasonal Service Suspension (charged at initiation, 2-6 months) ¹⁰	\$24.95
Replacement Remote	\$5.00 + Shipping & Handling
Unreturned/Damaged Receiver — Standard Definition	\$240.00
Unreturned/Damaged Receiver — High Definition	\$350.00
Unreturned/Damaged Receiver — Digital Video Recorder (DVR)	\$650.00

Save \$5 per month when qualifying voice or data services are bundled with FIOS TV Digital Service.

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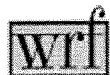
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John,
Attached is a revised proposed cable franchise agreement for your Board's consideration at the Public Hearing this upcoming Monday evening. This draft incorporates in Section 6, additional language allowing the Village to increase the franchise fee up to 5% and additional build out language in Exhibit B, as required by the PSC in its latest confirmation orders. Both Dave and I will be available over the weekend if you need us and at the latest we will check in with you on Monday. I look forward to seeing you soon.

Best regards,

Nia



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Cable Franchise Agreement
by and between
The Village of New Hyde Park, NY
and
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Exhibit C: PEG Channels

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THIS CABLE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT (the "Franchise" or "Agreement") is entered into by and between the Village of New Hyde Park, 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.

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) revenues from the sale or lease of access channel(s) or channel capacity; and (iv) 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, barter, 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 services or Franchise 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 New Hyde Park, 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 1.31.1.1 and 1.31.1.2 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:* Franchisee is in the process of completing the upgrading of its existing telecommunications and information services network through the installation of the FTTP Network in the Franchise Area pursuant to authority granted by Section 27 of the New York Transportation Corporations Law, as amended, and Title II of the Communications Act. 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 through this Franchise over the construction, placement and operation of Franchisee's mixed-use facilities; provided, however, that nothing herein shall be construed to limit the LFA's existing authority with respect to the Franchisee's mixed use facilities pursuant to Title II of the Communications Act and Section 27 of the Transportation Corporations Law.

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:* Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary herein, this Franchise is subject to and shall be governed by all applicable provisions of federal 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. 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.

2.7.2. 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 subject Franchisee to 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 in a manner 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 its pre-existing condition.

2.10. *Restoration of Subscriber Premises:* The Franchisee shall ensure that Subscriber's premises are restored to at least their pre-existing condition if damaged by the Franchisee's employees or agents in any respect in connection with the installation, repair, or disconnection of Cable Service.

2.11. Compliance with Village Code: To the extent not pre-empted by federal or state law, the Franchisee shall comply with all applicable and lawful provisions of the Code of the Village of New Hyde Park, including, but not limited to, Chapter 114 (Licensing Requirements and Procedures) thereof.

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 35 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 respectively, 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 one hundred fifty (150) feet of aerial 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 one hundred fifty (150) feet or are in an area with a density of less than 35 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 35 occupied residential dwelling units per mile if such would not be possible within the limitations of economic feasibility. 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.

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, private primary and secondary schools accredited by the New York State Board of Regents, 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 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. 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. 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.

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.

4.5. *Parental Control:* Upon request by any digital Subscriber, and where technologically feasible, the Franchisee shall provide such requesting digital Subscriber with a parental control device. Such device will, at a minimum, offer as an option that a Person ordering programming must provide a personal identification number or other means provided by the Franchisee only to a Subscriber. Provided, however, that the Franchisee shall bear no responsibility for the exercise of parental controls and shall incur no liability for any Subscriber's or viewer's exercise or failure to exercise such controls.

5. PEG SERVICES

5.1. *PEG Set Aside:*

5.1.1. In order to ensure universal availability of public, educational and government programming, Franchisee shall 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 (collectively, "PEG Channels").

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 pre-recorded 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. *Franchise Grant:*

5.2.1. The Franchisee shall pay an Upfront Franchise Grant to the LFA in the amount of Five Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$5,000.00) (the "Upfront Franchise Grant"), which shall be payable within sixty (60) days of the Effective Date.

5.2.2. The Upfront Franchise Grant shall be used by the LFA exclusively for cable-related costs, including, but not limited to, costs for studio facilities, studio and portable production equipment, editing equipment, program playback equipment, Internet connectivity and other cable-related costs as may be ascertained by the LFA. The LFA shall provide Franchisee with a complete accounting annually of the distribution of funds granted pursuant to this Section 5.2.

5.3. Consistent with Section 895.3 of the NY PSC rules and regulations, the LFA shall not award or renew a franchise for cable television service which contains economic or regulatory burdens which, when taken as a whole, are greater or lesser than those burdens placed upon the Franchisee pursuant to this Franchise.

5.4. *Recovery of Costs:* To the extent permitted by federal law, the Franchisee shall be allowed to recover the costs arising from the provision of a Franchise Grant or any other 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 foregoing, if allowed under state and federal laws, Franchisee may externalize, line-item, or otherwise pass-through interconnection and any franchise-related costs to Subscribers.

5.5. *PEG Liability.* In accordance with 47 U.S.C. §558, the Franchisee shall not incur any liability arising from or in connection with any PEG Channels.

6. **FRANCHISE FEES**

6.1. *Payment to LFA:* Franchisee shall pay to the LFA a Franchise Fee of three percent (3%) of annual Gross Revenue (the "Franchise Fee"). The LFA shall have the option to increase the Franchise Fee up to the federal maximum of five percent (5%) upon ninety (90) days written notice to the Franchisee. The LFA may only increase the Franchise Fee one (1) time in any twelve (12) month period. If at any time during the duration of this agreement, the LFA chooses to increase the Franchise Fee pursuant to Section 6.1, it may only do so if all other franchisees providing Cable Service in the Franchise Area are required to pay a franchise fee at the same or higher rate as the proposed increased Franchise Fee. In accordance with Title VI, the twelve (12) month period applicable under the Franchise for the computation of the Franchise Fee shall be a calendar year. 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. *Audit:* LFA, or its designee, may conduct an audit or other inquiry in relation to payments made by Franchisee no more than once every three (3) years during the Term. As a part of the audit process, LFA or LFA's designee may inspect Franchisee's books of

accounts relative to LFA at any time during regular business hours and after thirty (30) calendar days prior written notice.

6.3.1. All records deemed by LFA or LFA's designee to be reasonably necessary for such audit shall be made available by Franchisee in a mutually agreeable format and location. Franchisee agrees to give its full cooperation in any audit and shall provide responses to inquiries within thirty (30) calendar days of a written request. Franchisee may provide such responses within a reasonable time after the expiration of the response period above so long as Franchisee has made a good faith effort to procure any such tardy response.

6.3.2. If the results of any audit indicate that Franchisee (i) paid the correct franchise fee, (ii) overpaid the franchise fee and is entitled to a refund or credit, or (iii) underpaid the franchise fee by five percent (5%) or less, then LFA shall pay the costs of the audit. If the results of the audit indicate Franchisee underpaid the franchise fee by more than five percent (5%), then Franchisee shall pay the reasonable, documented, third-party costs of the audit, which costs shall be limited to Five Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$5,000).

6.3.3. Any auditor employed by LFA shall not be compensated on a success based formula, e.g., payment based on a percentage on underpayment, if any. Franchisee shall be provided a reasonable opportunity to review the results of any audit and to dispute any audit results which indicate an underpayment to City.

6.4. *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 can not exceed the date of records retention reflected in Section 7.

6.5. *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. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Franchisee bundles Cable Service with Non-Cable Service, the Franchisee agrees that it will not intentionally or unlawfully allocate such revenue for the purpose of evading Franchise Fee payments under this franchise. The parties agree that tariffed telecommunications services that cannot be discounted by state or federal law or regulation are to be excluded from the bundled discount allocation basis.

6.6. *Section 626 Set-Off:* The Franchise Fee as defined herein shall not constitute a set off against the special franchise tax as provided for in N.Y. Real Property Tax Law Section 626. The operation of this subparagraph shall be strictly limited to Franchise Fees lawfully imposed upon Cable Service, and shall not be construed to affect the Franchise's rights under any provision of state or federal law regarding the provision of services other than Cable Service.

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.

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, Employer's Liability Insurance, and excess liability or umbrella coverage.

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, its officers, agents, boards, elected officials and employees, for, and hold 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 of

royalties, programming license fees, or infringement of copyright or patent rights arising from the Franchisee's provision of Cable Services over the Cable System other than programming provided by the LFA, 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 1.31 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 12.11 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, in accordance with 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. *Liquidated Damages:* For the violation of any of the following provisions of this Franchise, liquidated damages shall be paid by the Franchisee to the LFA. Any such liquidated damages shall be assessed as of the date that is sixty (60) days from the Franchisee's receipt of the Noncompliance Notice, provided that the Franchisee has not cured the noncompliance upon which the Noncompliance Notice was issued, in accordance with the procedures set forth in Sections 11.1 and 11.2 above. On an annual basis from the Effective Date, the Franchisee shall not be liable for liquidated damages that exceed Five Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$5,000). Liquidated damages shall be assessed as follows:

For failure to provide PEG Services to residents of the LFA
specified in Section 5.1\$50 per day for each day the
.....violation continues;

For failure to provide LFA with any reports or
records required by the Agreement
within the time period required.....\$25 per day for each day the
.....violation continues;

For failure to carry the insurance specified in
Section 8.1.1.....\$50 per day for each day the
.....violation continues; and

For failure to obtain or maintain the Security specified in Section 11.7.....\$25 per day.

11.3.1. Any liquidated damages assessed pursuant to this section shall not be a limitation upon any other provisions of this Franchise and applicable law, including revocation, or any other statutorily or judicially imposed penalties or remedies; provided, however, that in the event that the LFA collects liquidated damages for a specific breach for a specific period of time, pursuant to this Section 11.3, the collection of such liquidated damages shall be deemed to be the exclusive remedy for that specific breach for such specific period of time only.

11.3.2. The parties agree that each case of non-compliance as set forth in this Section 11.3 shall result in damage to the LFA, compensation for which will be difficult to ascertain. The parties agree that the liquidated damages in the amounts set forth in this Section 11.3 are fair and reasonable compensation for such damage.

11.4. *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 thirty (30) 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.

11.5. *Enforcement:* Subject to Section 12.11 below and applicable federal and state law, in the event the LFA, after the public hearing set forth in Section 11.4, determines that Franchisee is in default of any provision of this Franchise, the LFA may:

11.5.1. Seek specific performance of any provision, which reasonably lends itself to such remedy, as an alternative to damages; or

11.5.2. Commence an action at law for monetary damages or seek other equitable relief; or

11.5.3. In the case of a substantial noncompliance with a material provision of this Franchise, seek to revoke the Franchise in accordance with Section 11.6.

11.6. *Revocation Hearing:* At the designated public hearing at which the LFA has informed the Franchisee that revocation is a possible consequence, in accordance with the written notice requirements set forth in Section 11.4 hereof, 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.

11.6.1. Following the public hearing at which revocation is a possible consequence, 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.

11.7. *Security:* Within fifteen (15) days after the Effective Date, the Franchisee shall provide to the LFA security for the performance of its obligations under this Agreement in the amount of Fifty Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$50,000) (the "Security"). The form of this Security may, at the Franchisee's option, be a performance bond, letter of credit, cash deposit, cashier's check or any other security acceptable to the LFA. If the Franchisee posts a performance bond, it shall be substantially in the form of Exhibit D attached hereto.

11.7.1. At the Franchisee's option the performance bond may be replaced with a substantially similar performance bond which, rather than having an annual term that can be extended for additional annual terms at the option of the surety, shall be cancelable by the surety giving not less than sixty (60) days written notice to the LFA, as obligee, stating therein the effective date of such termination or cancellation and providing that such notice shall not limit or terminate any obligations resulting from default by the Franchisee, as principal, that may have accrued under the performance bond as a result of default by the Franchisee prior to the effective date of such termination.

11.7.2. In the event that a performance bond provided pursuant to this Section is not renewed or is canceled, the Franchisee shall provide new security pursuant to this Section within thirty (30) days of such cancellation or failure to renew.

11.7.3. Neither cancellation, nor termination, nor refusal by surety to extend the performance bond, nor inability of the Franchisee to file a replacement performance bond or replacement security for its obligations, shall constitute a loss to the LFA recoverable under the performance bond.

11.8. *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:

Office of the Mayor
New Hyde Park Village Hall
1420 Jericho Turnpike
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

12.5.3. with a copy to:

Office of the Village Attorney
New Hyde Park Village Hall
1420 Jericho Turnpike
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

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 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. For purposes of this Agreement, the term "material provision" or "material provisions" shall mean the terms set forth in Section 2.3 (Effective Date and Term), Article 3 (Provision of Cable Service), Subsection 4.2 (System Characteristics), Section 7.1 (Open Books and Records), and Article 9 (Transfer of 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, or sex.

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. *Identification of Franchisee's Employees, Vehicles & Contractors.* The Franchisee shall require all the Franchisee personnel, contractors and subcontractors contacting Subscribers or potential Subscribers outside the office of the Franchisee to wear a clearly visible identification card bearing their name and photograph.

12.17.1. The Franchisee shall make reasonable effort to account for all identification cards at all times.

12.17.2. The Franchisee shall require all the Franchisee representatives to wear appropriate clothing while working at a Subscriber's premises.

12.17.3. The Franchisee shall require that all service vehicle of the Franchisee and its contractors or subcontractors be clearly identified as such to the public. Specifically, the Franchisee vehicles shall be required to have the Franchisee's logo plainly visible. The Franchisee shall require that all contractors and subcontractors working for the Franchisee shall have the contractor's/subcontractor's name plus markings (such as a magnetic door sign) indicating they are under contract to the Franchisee.

12.18. *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.

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

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12.20. *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 _____, 2006.

Village of New Hyde Park:

By: _____
Daniel P. Petruccio, Mayor

Verizon New York Inc.

By: _____
Tracey A. Edwards, Vice President

EXHIBITS

Exhibit A: Municipal Buildings to be Provided Free Cable Service

Exhibit B: Service Area

Exhibit C: PEG Channels

Exhibit D: Security

EXHIBIT A

MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS TO BE PROVIDED FREE CABLE SERVICE

Village Hall
1420 Jericho Turnpike
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

Village Public Works Building
498 Stewart Avenue
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

Memorial Field Fieldhouse
Albert Street
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

Hillside Public Library
1950 Hillside Avenue
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

New Hyde Park Road School
New Hyde Park Road
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

New Hyde Park Volunteer Fire Department
1555 Jericho Turnpike
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

EXHIBIT B

SERVICE AREA

The Service Area shall be the Franchise Area. A map of the Service Area is attached hereto.

The construction of the Franchisee's FTTP Network has been completed to approximately 30% of the current households in the Franchise Area. At present, Franchisee's anticipated schedule calls for 55% deployment by April 2007 and 100% deployment by October 2007. 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.

Map Illustrating Verizon FTTN Build-out in the Village of New Hyde Park, New York

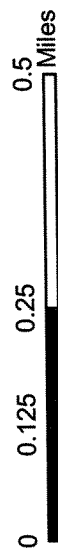
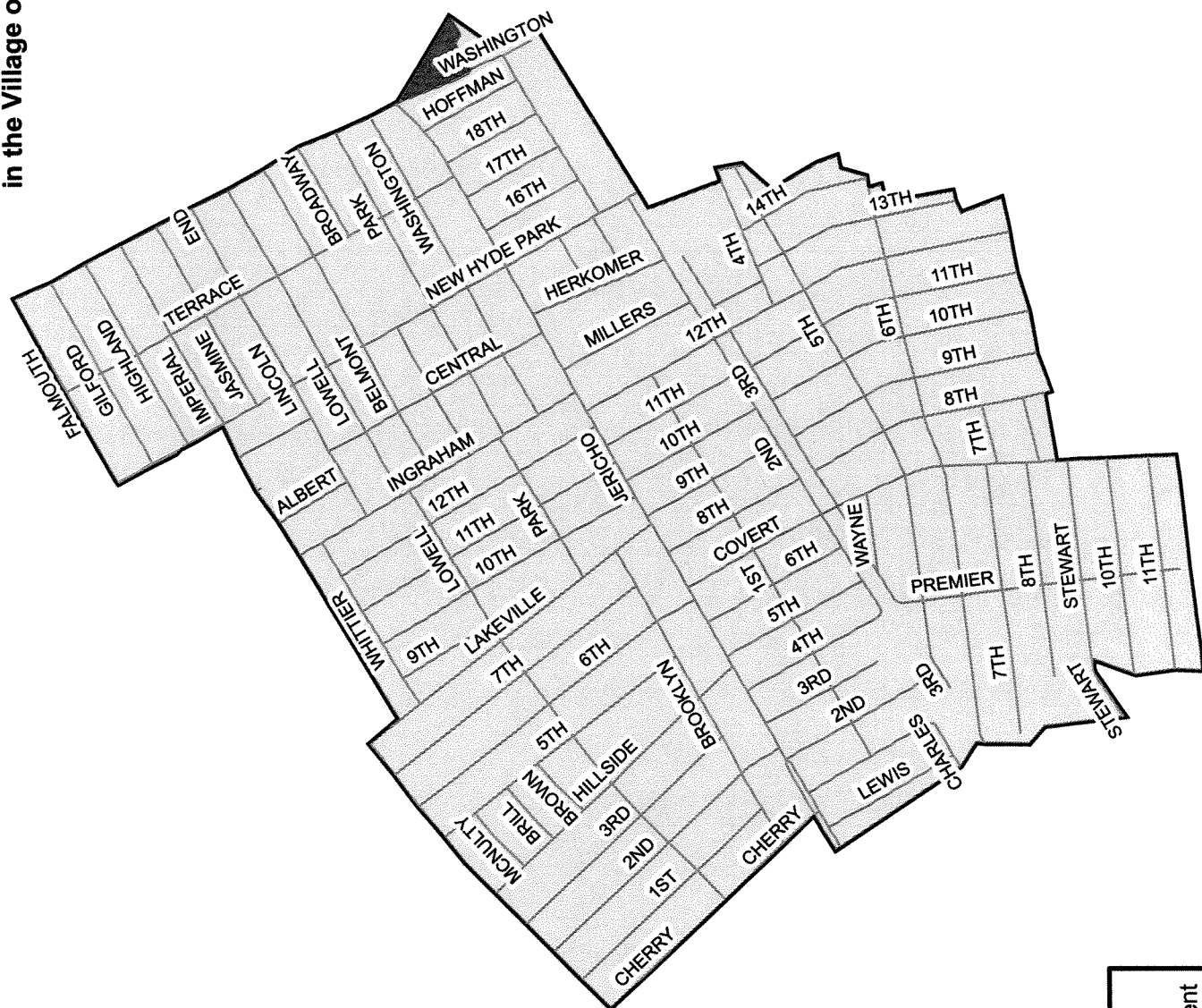


EXHIBIT C

PEG CHANNELS

Upon written request from the LFA, Franchisee shall make available on the 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 (collectively, "PEG Channels").

EXHIBIT D

SECURITY

SAMPLE

Franchise Bond

Bond No. _____

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That (name & address) (hereinafter called the Principal), and (name and address) (hereinafter called the Surety), a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of (state), are held and firmly bound unto (name & address) (hereinafter called the Obligee), in the full and just sum of _____ Dollars (\$ _____), the payment of which sum, well and truly to be made, the said Principal and Surety bind themselves, their heirs, administrators, executors, and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

WHEREAS, the Principal and Obligee have entered into a Franchise Agreement dated _____ which is hereby referred to and made a part hereof.

WHEREAS, said Principal is required to perform certain obligations under said Agreement.

WHEREAS, the Obligee has agreed to accept this bond as security against default by Principal of performance of its obligations under said Agreement during the time period this bond is in effect.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CONDITION OF THIS OBLIGATION IS SUCH that if the Principal shall perform its obligations under said Agreement, then this obligation shall be void, otherwise to remain in full force and effect, unless otherwise terminated, cancelled or expired as hereinafter provided.

PROVIDED HOWEVER, that this bond is executed subject to the following express provisions and conditions:

1. In the event of default by the Principal, Obligee shall deliver to Surety a written statement of the details of such default within 30 days after the Obligee shall learn of the same, such notice to be delivered by certified mail to address of said Surety as stated herein.
2. This bond is for the annual term beginning _____ and ending _____, and may be extended for additional annual terms at the sole option of the surety.
3. Neither cancellation, termination nor refusal by Surety to extend this bond, nor inability of Principal to file a replacement bond or replacement security for its obligations under said Agreement, shall constitute a loss to the Obligee recoverable under this bond.
4. No claim, action, suit or proceeding shall be instituted against this bond unless same be brought or instituted and process served within one year after termination or cancellation of this bond.

Accepted by Obligee: _____
(Signature & date above - Print Name, Title below)

Tab 8

McDonald, Nia

From: McDonald, Nia
Sent: Monday, April 23, 2007 12:12 PM
To: 'jspellman@spellmanlaw.com'; 'John Spellman'
Cc: 'David P. Mullen'
Subject: Village of New Hyde Park/Verizon Cable Franchise
Attachments: NY-New Hyde Park-4.23.07 Final Draft.pdf; NY-New Hyde Park-Redline of Draft Before the Board in 11.06 to 4.23.07 Final Draft.pdf

John,

Attached is a revised franchise agreement for your consideration and a blackline to the agreement we presented to your Board this past November. The revised agreement incorporates the increased grant as well as those changes we have made to all Verizon NY franchise agreements based on PSC orders we have received over the past few months. Please let us know if you have any questions. Please also confirm if we can expect a vote on May 1st or May 8th.

Best regards,

Nia



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Cable Franchise Agreement

by and between

The Village of New Hyde Park, NY

and

Verizon New York Inc.

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THIS CABLE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT (the "Franchise" or "Agreement") is entered into by and between the Village of New Hyde Park, 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.

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, and such additional areas as may be annexed or acquired.

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) revenues from the sale or lease of access channel(s) or channel capacity; and (iv) 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, barter, 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 services or 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 New Hyde Park, 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 1.31.1.1 and 1.31.1.2 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*: Franchisee is in the process of completing the upgrading of its existing telecommunications and information services network through the installation of the FTTP Network in the Franchise Area pursuant to authority granted by Section 27 of the New York Transportation Corporations Law, as amended, and Title II of the Communications Act. 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 through this Franchise over the construction, placement and operation of Franchisee's mixed-use facilities; provided, however, that nothing herein shall be construed to limit the LFA's existing authority with respect to the Franchisee's mixed use facilities pursuant to Title II of the Communications Act and Section 27 of the Transportation Corporations Law.

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*: Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary herein, this Franchise is subject to and shall be governed by all applicable provisions of federal 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. 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.

2.7.2. 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 subject Franchisee to 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 in a manner 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 its pre-existing condition.

2.10. *Restoration of Subscriber Premises:* The Franchisee shall ensure that Subscriber's premises are restored to at least their pre-existing condition if damaged by the Franchisee's employees or agents in any respect in connection with the installation, repair, or disconnection of Cable Service.

2.11. *Compliance with Village Code:* To the extent not pre-empted by federal or state law, the Franchisee shall comply with all applicable and lawful provisions of the Code of the Village of New Hyde Park, including, but not limited to, Chapter 114 (Licensing Requirements and Procedures) thereof.

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; (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 thirty-five (35) 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 respectively, 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 one hundred fifty (150) feet of aerial 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 one hundred fifty (150) feet or are in an area with a density of less than thirty-five (35) 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 thirty-five (35) occupied residential dwelling units per mile if such would not be possible within the limitations of economic feasibility. 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.

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, private primary and secondary schools accredited by the New York State Board of Regents, 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 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. 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. 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.

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.

4.5. *Parental Control:* Upon request by any digital Subscriber, and where technologically feasible, the Franchisee shall provide such requesting digital Subscriber with a parental control device. Such device will, at a minimum, offer as an option that a Person ordering programming must provide a personal identification number or other means provided by the Franchisee only to a Subscriber. Provided, however, that the Franchisee shall bear no responsibility for the exercise of parental controls and shall incur no liability for any Subscriber's or viewer's exercise or failure to exercise such controls.

5. **PEG SERVICES**

5.1. *PEG Set Aside:*

5.1.1. In order to ensure universal availability of public, educational and government programming, Franchisee shall 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 (collectively, "PEG Channels").

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 pre-recorded 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. *PEG Grant:* The Franchisee shall pay a PEG Grant to the LFA in the total amount of Forty Five Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$45,000) (the "PEG Grant"), payable in fifteen (15) equal installments of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) each. The first installment shall be payable within sixty (60) days of the Effective Date. The remaining fourteen (14) installments shall be payable within sixty (60) days of the subsequent fourteen (14) anniversaries of the Effective Date. The LFA shall impose an equivalent obligation to the obligation contained in this Section 5.2 on all providers of cable service in the Service Area. In any event, if any new or renewed franchise agreement contains obligations that are lesser in amount or aggregate value than the obligations imposed in this Section 5.2, Franchisee's obligations under Section 5.2 shall be reduced to an equivalent amount.

5.2.1. The PEG Grant shall be used by the LFA exclusively for cable-related costs, including, but not limited to, costs for studio facilities, studio and portable production equipment, editing equipment, program playback equipment, Internet connectivity and other cable-related costs as may be ascertained by the LFA. The LFA shall provide Franchisee with a complete accounting annually of the distribution of funds granted pursuant to Sections 5.2.

5.3. Consistent with Section 895.3 of the NY PSC rules and regulations, the LFA shall not award or renew a franchise for cable television service which contains economic or regulatory burdens which, when taken as a whole, are greater or lesser than those burdens placed upon the Franchisee pursuant to this Franchise.

5.4. *Recovery of Costs:* To the extent permitted by federal law, the Franchisee shall be allowed to recover the costs arising from the provision of a PEG Grant or any other 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 foregoing, if allowed under state and federal laws, Franchisee may externalize, line-item, or otherwise pass-through interconnection and any franchise-related costs to Subscribers.

5.5. *PEG Liability.* In accordance with 47 U.S.C. §558, the Franchisee shall not incur any liability arising from or in connection with any PEG Channels.

6. **FRANCHISE FEES**

6.1. *Payment to LFA:* Franchisee shall pay to the LFA a Franchise Fee of three percent (3%) of annual Gross Revenue (the "Franchise Fee"). The LFA shall have the option to increase the Franchise Fee up to the federal maximum of five percent (5%) upon ninety (90) days written notice to the Franchisee. The LFA may only increase the Franchise Fee one (1) time in any twelve (12) month period. If at any time during the duration of this agreement, the LFA chooses to increase the Franchise Fee pursuant to Section 6.1, it may only do so if all other franchisees providing Cable Service in the Franchise Area are required to pay a franchise fee at the same or higher rate as the proposed increased Franchise Fee. In accordance with Title VI, the twelve (12) month period applicable under the Franchise for the computation of the Franchise Fee shall be a calendar year. 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. *Audit:* LFA, or its designee, may conduct an audit or other inquiry in relation to payments made by Franchisee no more than once every three (3) years during the Term. As a part of the audit process, LFA or LFA's designee may inspect Franchisee's books of

accounts relative to LFA at any time during regular business hours and after thirty (30) calendar days prior written notice.

6.3.1. All records deemed by LFA or LFA's designee to be reasonably necessary for such audit shall be made available by Franchisee in a mutually agreeable format and location. Franchisee agrees to give its full cooperation in any audit and shall provide responses to inquiries within thirty (30) calendar days of a written request. Franchisee may provide such responses within a reasonable time after the expiration of the response period above so long as Franchisee has made a good faith effort to procure any such tardy response.

6.3.2. If the results of any audit indicate that Franchisee (i) paid the correct franchise fee, (ii) overpaid the franchise fee and is entitled to a refund or credit, or (iii) underpaid the franchise fee by five percent (5%) or less, then LFA shall pay the costs of the audit. If the results of the audit indicate Franchisee underpaid the franchise fee by more than five percent (5%), then Franchisee shall pay the reasonable, documented, third-party costs of the audit, which costs shall be limited to Five Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$5,000).

6.3.3. Any auditor employed by LFA shall not be compensated on a success based formula, e.g., payment based on a percentage on underpayment, if any. Franchisee shall be provided a reasonable opportunity to review the results of any audit and to dispute any audit results which indicate an underpayment to the LFA.

6.4. *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 can not exceed the date of records retention reflected in Section 7.

6.5. *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. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Franchisee bundles Cable Service with Non-Cable Service, the Franchisee agrees that it will not intentionally or unlawfully allocate such revenue for the purpose of evading Franchise Fee payments under this franchise. The parties agree that tariffed telecommunications services that cannot be discounted by state or federal law or regulation are to be excluded from the bundled discount allocation basis.

6.6. *Section 626 Set-Off:* The Franchise Fee as defined herein shall not constitute a set off against the special franchise tax as provided for in N.Y. Real Property Tax Law Section 626. The operation of this subparagraph shall be strictly limited to Franchise Fees lawfully imposed upon Cable Service, and shall not be construed to affect the Franchise's rights under any provision of state or federal law regarding the provision of services other than Cable Service.

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.

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, Employer's Liability Insurance, and excess liability or umbrella coverage.

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, its officers, agents, boards, elected officials and employees, for, and hold 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 of

royalties, programming license fees, or infringement of copyright or patent rights arising from the Franchisee's provision of Cable Services over the Cable System other than programming provided by the LFA, 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 1.31 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 12.11 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, in accordance with 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. *Liquidated Damages:* For the violation of any of the following provisions of this Franchise, liquidated damages shall be paid by the Franchisee to the LFA. Any such liquidated damages shall be assessed as of the date that is sixty (60) days from the Franchisee's receipt of the Noncompliance Notice, provided that the Franchisee has not cured the noncompliance upon which the Noncompliance Notice was issued, in accordance with the procedures set forth in Sections 11.1 and 11.2 above. On an annual basis from the Effective Date, the Franchisee shall not be liable for liquidated damages that exceed Five Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$5,000). Liquidated damages shall be assessed as follows:

For failure to provide PEG Services to residents of the LFA
specified in Section 5.1\$50 per day for each day the
.....violation continues;

For failure to provide LFA with any reports or
records required by the Agreement
within the time period required.....\$25 per day for each day the
.....violation continues;

For failure to carry the insurance specified in
Section 8.1.1.....\$50 per day for each day the
.....violation continues; and

For failure to obtain or maintain the Security specified in Section 11.7.....\$25 per day.

11.3.1. Any liquidated damages assessed pursuant to this section shall not be a limitation upon any other provisions of this Franchise and applicable law, including revocation, or any other statutorily or judicially imposed penalties or remedies; provided, however, that in the event that the LFA collects liquidated damages for a specific breach for a specific period of time, pursuant to this Section 11.3, the collection of such liquidated damages shall be deemed to be the exclusive remedy for that specific breach for such specific period of time only.

11.3.2. The parties agree that each case of non-compliance as set forth in this Section 11.3 shall result in damage to the LFA, compensation for which will be difficult to ascertain. The parties agree that the liquidated damages in the amounts set forth in this Section 11.3 are fair and reasonable compensation for such damage.

11.4. *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 thirty (30) 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.

11.5. *Enforcement:* Subject to Section 12.11 below and applicable federal and state law, in the event the LFA, after the public hearing set forth in Section 11.4, determines that Franchisee is in default of any provision of this Franchise, the LFA may:

11.5.1. Seek specific performance of any provision, which reasonably lends itself to such remedy, as an alternative to damages; or

11.5.2. Commence an action at law for monetary damages or seek other equitable relief; or

11.5.3. In the case of a substantial noncompliance with a material provision of this Franchise, seek to revoke the Franchise in accordance with Section 11.6.

11.6. *Revocation Hearing:* At the designated public hearing at which the LFA has informed the Franchisee that revocation is a possible consequence, in accordance with the written notice requirements set forth in Section 11.4 hereof, 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.

11.6.1. Following the public hearing at which revocation is a possible consequence, 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.

11.7. *Security:* Within fifteen (15) days after the Effective Date, the Franchisee shall provide to the LFA security for the performance of its obligations under this Agreement in the amount of Fifty Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$50,000) (the "Security"). The form of this Security may, at the Franchisee's option, be a performance bond, letter of credit, cash deposit, cashier's check or any other security acceptable to the LFA. If the Franchisee posts a performance bond, it shall be substantially in the form of Exhibit D attached hereto.

11.7.1. At the Franchisee's option the performance bond may be replaced with a substantially similar performance bond which, rather than having an annual term that can be extended for additional annual terms at the option of the surety, shall be cancelable by the surety giving not less than sixty (60) days written notice to the LFA, as obligee, stating therein the effective date of such termination or cancellation and providing that such notice shall not limit or terminate any obligations resulting from default by the Franchisee, as principal, that may have accrued under the performance bond as a result of default by the Franchisee prior to the effective date of such termination.

11.7.2. In the event that a performance bond provided pursuant to this Section is not renewed or is canceled, the Franchisee shall provide new security pursuant to this Section within thirty (30) days of such cancellation or failure to renew.

11.7.3. Neither cancellation, nor termination, nor refusal by surety to extend the performance bond, nor inability of the Franchisee to file a replacement performance bond or replacement security for its obligations, shall constitute a loss to the LFA recoverable under the performance bond.

11.8. *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:

Office of the Mayor
New Hyde Park Village Hall
1420 Jericho Turnpike
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

12.5.3. with a copy to:

Office of the Village Attorney
New Hyde Park Village Hall
1420 Jericho Turnpike
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

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:* With the exception of the "material provisions" of this Agreement, 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. For purposes of this Agreement, the term "material provision" or "material provisions" shall mean the terms set forth in Section 2.3 (Effective Date and Term), Article 3 (Provision of Cable Service), Subsection 4.2 (System Characteristics), Section 7.1 (Open Books and Records), and Article 9 (Transfer of 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, or sex.

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. *Identification of Franchisee's Employees, Vehicles & Contractors*. The Franchisee shall require all the Franchisee personnel, contractors and subcontractors contacting Subscribers or potential Subscribers outside the office of the Franchisee to wear a clearly visible identification card bearing their name and photograph.

12.17.1. The Franchisee shall make reasonable effort to account for all identification cards at all times.

12.17.2. The Franchisee shall require all the Franchisee representatives to wear appropriate clothing while working at a Subscriber's premises.

12.17.3. The Franchisee shall require that all service vehicle of the Franchisee and its contractors or subcontractors be clearly identified as such to the public. Specifically, the Franchisee vehicles shall be required to have the Franchisee's logo plainly visible. The Franchisee shall require that all contractors and subcontractors working for the Franchisee shall have the contractor's/subcontractor's name plus markings (such as a magnetic door sign) indicating they are under contract to the Franchisee.

12.18. *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.

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

12.20. *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.

Village of New Hyde Park:

By: _____
Daniel P. Petruccio, Mayor

Verizon New York Inc.

By: _____
Tracey A. Edwards, Vice President

EXHIBITS

Exhibit A: Municipal Buildings to be Provided Free Cable Service

Exhibit B: Service Area

Exhibit C: PEG Channels

Exhibit D: Security

EXHIBIT A

MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS TO BE PROVIDED FREE CABLE SERVICE

Village Hall
1420 Jericho Turnpike
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

Village Public Works Building
498 Stewart Avenue
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

Memorial Field Fieldhouse
Albert Street
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

Hillside Public Library
155 Lakeville Road
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

New Hyde Park Road School
New Hyde Park Road
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

New Hyde Park Volunteer Fire Department
1555 Jericho Turnpike
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

EXHIBIT B

SERVICE AREA

The Service Area shall be the Franchise Area. A map of the Service Area is attached hereto.

The construction of the Franchisee's FTTP Network has been completed to approximately 85% of the current households in the Franchise Area. At present, Franchisee's anticipated schedule calls for 90% deployment by June 2007 and 100% deployment by December 2007. 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 from the LFA, Franchisee shall make available on the 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 (collectively, "PEG Channels").

EXHIBIT D

SECURITY

SAMPLE

Franchise Bond

Bond No. _____

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That (name & address) (hereinafter called the Principal), and (name and address) (hereinafter called the Surety), a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of (state), are held and firmly bound unto (name & address) (hereinafter called the Obligee), in the full and just sum of _____ Dollars (\$_____), the payment of which sum, well and truly to be made, the said Principal and Surety bind themselves, their heirs, administrators, executors, and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

WHEREAS, the Principal and Obligee have entered into a Franchise Agreement dated _____ which is hereby referred to and made a part hereof.

WHEREAS, said Principal is required to perform certain obligations under said Agreement.

WHEREAS, the Obligee has agreed to accept this bond as security against default by Principal of performance of its obligations under said Agreement during the time period this bond is in effect.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CONDITION OF THIS OBLIGATION IS SUCH that if the Principal shall perform its obligations under said Agreement, then this obligation shall be void, otherwise to remain in full force and effect, unless otherwise terminated, cancelled or expired as hereinafter provided.

PROVIDED HOWEVER, that this bond is executed subject to the following express provisions and conditions:

1. In the event of default by the Principal, Obligee shall deliver to Surety a written statement of the details of such default within 30 days after the Obligee shall learn of the same, such notice to be delivered by certified mail to address of said Surety as stated herein.
2. This bond is for the annual term beginning _____ and ending _____, and may be extended for additional annual terms at the sole option of the surety.
3. Neither cancellation, termination nor refusal by Surety to extend this bond, nor inability of Principal to file a replacement bond or replacement security for its obligations under said Agreement, shall constitute a loss to the Obligee recoverable under this bond.
4. No claim, action, suit or proceeding shall be instituted against this bond unless same be brought or instituted and process served within one year after termination or cancellation of this bond.

Accepted by Obligee: _____
(Signature & date above - Print Name, Title below)

Cable Franchise Agreement

by and between

The Village of New Hyde Park, NY

and

Verizon New York Inc.

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THIS CABLE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT (the "Franchise" or "Agreement") is entered into by and between the Village of New Hyde Park, 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.

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, and such additional areas as may be annexed or acquired.

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) revenues from the sale or lease of access channel(s) or channel capacity; and (iv) 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, barter, 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 services or ~~Franchise~~ 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 New Hyde Park, 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. *NYPSC*: 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 1.31.1.1 and 1.31.1.2 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:* Franchisee is in the process of completing the upgrading of its existing telecommunications and information services network through the installation of the FTTP Network in the Franchise Area pursuant to authority granted by Section 27 of the New York Transportation Corporations Law, as amended, and Title II of the Communications Act. 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 through this Franchise over the construction, placement and operation of Franchisee's mixed-use facilities; provided, however, that nothing herein shall be construed to limit the LFA's existing authority with respect to the Franchisee's mixed use facilities pursuant to Title II of the Communications Act and Section 27 of the Transportation Corporations Law.

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:* Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary herein, this Franchise is subject to and shall be governed by all applicable provisions of federal 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. 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.

2.7.2. 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 subject Franchisee to 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 in a manner 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 its pre-existing condition.

2.10. *Restoration of Subscriber Premises:* The Franchisee shall ensure that Subscriber's premises are restored to at least their pre-existing condition if damaged by the Franchisee's employees or agents in any respect in connection with the installation, repair, or disconnection of Cable Service.

2.11. *Compliance with Village Code:* To the extent not pre-empted by federal or state law, the Franchisee shall comply with all applicable and lawful provisions of the Code of the Village of New Hyde Park, including, but not limited to, Chapter 114 (Licensing Requirements and Procedures) thereof.

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; (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 thirty-five (35) 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 respectively, 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 one hundred fifty (150) feet of aerial 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 one hundred fifty (150) feet or are in an area with a density of less than thirty-five (35) 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 thirty-five (35) occupied residential dwelling units per mile if such would not be possible within the limitations of economic feasibility. 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.

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, private primary and secondary schools accredited by the New York State Board of Regents, 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 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. 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. 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.

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.

4.5. *Parental Control:* Upon request by any digital Subscriber, and where technologically feasible, the Franchisee shall provide such requesting digital Subscriber with a parental control device. Such device will, at a minimum, offer as an option that a Person ordering programming must provide a personal identification number or other means provided by the Franchisee only to a Subscriber. Provided, however, that the Franchisee shall bear no responsibility for the exercise of parental controls and shall incur no liability for any Subscriber's or viewer's exercise or failure to exercise such controls.

5. PEG SERVICES

5.1. *PEG Set Aside:*

5.1.1. In order to ensure universal availability of public, educational and government programming, Franchisee shall 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 (collectively, "PEG Channels").

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 pre-recorded 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. *Franchise Grant:*~~

~~5.2. 5.2.1. *PEG Grant:* The Franchisee shall pay an Upfront Franchisee PEG Grant to the LFA in the total amount of Forty Five Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$5,000.00) (the "Upfront Franchise Grant"), which 45,000) (the "PEG Grant"), payable in fifteen (15) equal installments of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) each. The first installment shall be payable within sixty (60) days of the Effective Date. The remaining fourteen (14) installments shall be payable within sixty (60) days of the subsequent fourteen (14) anniversaries of the Effective Date. The LFA shall impose an equivalent obligation to the obligation contained in this Section 5.2 on all providers of cable service in the Service Area. In any event, if any new or renewed franchise agreement contains obligations that are lesser in amount or aggregate value than the~~

obligations imposed in this Section 5.2. Franchisee's obligations under Section 5.2 shall be reduced to an equivalent amount.

5.2.1. 5.2.2. The Upfront Franchise PEG Grant shall be used by the LFA exclusively for cable-related costs, including, but not limited to, costs for studio facilities, studio and portable production equipment, editing equipment, program playback equipment, Internet connectivity and other cable-related costs as may be ascertained by the LFA. The LFA shall provide Franchisee with a complete accounting annually of the distribution of funds granted pursuant to ~~this Section~~ Sections 5.2.

5.3. Consistent with Section 895.3 of the NY PSC rules and regulations, the LFA shall not award or renew a franchise for cable television service which contains economic or regulatory burdens which, when taken as a whole, are greater or lesser than those burdens placed upon the Franchisee pursuant to this Franchise.

5.4. *Recovery of Costs:* To the extent permitted by federal law, the Franchisee shall be allowed to recover the costs arising from the provision of a Franchise PEG Grant or any other 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 foregoing, if allowed under state and federal laws, Franchisee may externalize, line-item, or otherwise pass-through interconnection and any franchise-related costs to Subscribers.

5.5. *PEG Liability.* In accordance with 47 U.S.C. §558, the Franchisee shall not incur any liability arising from or in connection with any PEG Channels.

6. **FRANCHISE FEES**

6.1. *Payment to LFA:* Franchisee shall pay to the LFA a Franchise Fee of three percent (3%) of annual Gross Revenue (the "Franchise Fee"). The LFA shall have the option to increase the Franchise Fee up to the federal maximum of five percent (5%) upon ninety (90) days written notice to the Franchisee. The LFA may only increase the Franchise Fee one (1) time in any twelve (12) month period. If at any time during the duration of this agreement, the LFA chooses to increase the Franchise Fee pursuant to Section 6.1, it may only do so if all other franchisees providing Cable Service in the Franchise Area are required to pay a franchise fee at the same or higher rate as the proposed increased Franchise Fee. In accordance with Title VI, the twelve (12) month period applicable under the Franchise for the computation of the Franchise Fee shall be a calendar year. 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. *Audit:* LFA, or its designee, may conduct an audit or other inquiry in relation to payments made by Franchisee no more than once every three (3) years during the

Term. As a part of the audit process, LFA or LFA's designee may inspect Franchisee's books of accounts relative to LFA at any time during regular business hours and after thirty (30) calendar days prior written notice.

6.3.1. All records deemed by LFA or LFA's designee to be reasonably necessary for such audit shall be made available by Franchisee in a mutually agreeable format and location. Franchisee agrees to give its full cooperation in any audit and shall provide responses to inquiries within thirty (30) calendar days of a written request. Franchisee may provide such responses within a reasonable time after the expiration of the response period above so long as Franchisee has made a good faith effort to procure any such tardy response.

6.3.2. If the results of any audit indicate that Franchisee (i) paid the correct franchise fee, (ii) overpaid the franchise fee and is entitled to a refund or credit, or (iii) underpaid the franchise fee by five percent (5%) or less, then LFA shall pay the costs of the audit. If the results of the audit indicate Franchisee underpaid the franchise fee by more than five percent (5%), then Franchisee shall pay the reasonable, documented, third-party costs of the audit, which costs shall be limited to Five Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$5,000).

6.3.3. Any auditor employed by LFA shall not be compensated on a success based formula, e.g., payment based on a percentage on underpayment, if any. Franchisee shall be provided a reasonable opportunity to review the results of any audit and to dispute any audit results which indicate an underpayment to the LFA.

6.4. *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 can not exceed the date of records retention reflected in Section 7.

6.5. *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. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Franchisee bundles Cable Service with Non-Cable Service, the Franchisee agrees that it will not intentionally or unlawfully allocate such revenue for the purpose of evading Franchise Fee payments under this franchise. The parties agree that tariffed telecommunications services that cannot be discounted by state or federal law or regulation are to be excluded from the bundled discount allocation basis.

6.6. *Section 626 Set-Off:* The Franchise Fee as defined herein shall not constitute a set off against the special franchise tax as provided for in N.Y. Real Property Tax Law Section 626. The operation of this subparagraph shall be strictly limited to Franchise Fees lawfully imposed upon Cable Service, and shall not be construed to affect the Franchise's rights under any provision of state or federal law regarding the provision of services other than Cable Service.

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.

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, Employer's Liability Insurance, and excess liability or umbrella coverage.

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, its officers, agents, boards, elected officials and employees, for, and hold 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 of royalties, programming license fees, or infringement of copyright or patent rights arising from

the Franchisee's provision of Cable Services over the Cable System other than programming provided by the LFA, 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 1.31 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 12.11 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, in accordance with 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. *Liquidated Damages:* For the violation of any of the following provisions of this Franchise, liquidated damages shall be paid by the Franchisee to the LFA. Any such liquidated damages shall be assessed as of the date that is sixty (60) days from the Franchisee’s receipt of the Noncompliance Notice, provided that the Franchisee has not cured the noncompliance upon which the Noncompliance Notice was issued, in accordance with the procedures set forth in Sections 11.1 and 11.2 above. On an annual basis from the Effective Date, the Franchisee shall not be liable for liquidated damages that exceed Five Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$5,000). Liquidated damages shall be assessed as follows:

For failure to provide PEG Services to residents of the LFA
specified in Section 5.1.....\$50 per day for each day the
.....violation continues;

For failure to provide LFA with any reports or

records required by the Agreement
within the time period required.....\$25 per day for each day the
violation continues;

For failure to carry the insurance specified in
Section 8.1.1.....\$50 per day for each day the
violation continues; and

For failure to obtain or maintain the Security specified in Section 11.7.....\$25 per day.

11.3.1. Any liquidated damages assessed pursuant to this section shall not be a limitation upon any other provisions of this Franchise and applicable law, including revocation, or any other statutorily or judicially imposed penalties or remedies; provided, however, that in the event that the LFA collects liquidated damages for a specific breach for a specific period of time, pursuant to this Section 11.3, the collection of such liquidated damages shall be deemed to be the exclusive remedy for that specific breach for such specific period of time only.

11.3.2. The parties agree that each case of non-compliance as set forth in this Section 11.3 shall result in damage to the LFA, compensation for which will be difficult to ascertain. The parties agree that the liquidated damages in the amounts set forth in this Section 11.3 are fair and reasonable compensation for such damage.

11.4. *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 thirty (30) 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.

11.5. *Enforcement:* Subject to Section 12.11 below and applicable federal and state law, in the event the LFA, after the public hearing set forth in Section 11.4, determines that Franchisee is in default of any provision of this Franchise, the LFA may:

11.5.1. Seek specific performance of any provision, which reasonably lends itself to such remedy, as an alternative to damages; or

11.5.2. Commence an action at law for monetary damages or seek other equitable relief; or

11.5.3. In the case of a substantial noncompliance with a material provision of this Franchise, seek to revoke the Franchise in accordance with Section 11.6.

11.6. *Revocation Hearing:* At the designated public hearing at which the LFA has informed the Franchisee that revocation is a possible consequence, in accordance with the written notice requirements set forth in Section 11.4 hereof, 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.

11.6.1. Following the public hearing at which revocation is a possible consequence, 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.

11.7. *Security*: Within fifteen (15) days after the Effective Date, the Franchisee shall provide to the LFA security for the performance of its obligations under this Agreement in the amount of Fifty Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$50,000) (the "Security"). The form of this Security may, at the Franchisee's option, be a performance bond, letter of credit, cash deposit, cashier's check or any other security acceptable to the LFA. If the Franchisee posts a performance bond, it shall be substantially in the form of Exhibit D attached hereto.

11.7.1. At the Franchisee's option the performance bond may be replaced with a substantially similar performance bond which, rather than having an annual term that can be extended for additional annual terms at the option of the surety, shall be cancelable by the surety giving not less than sixty (60) days written notice to the LFA, as obligee, stating therein the effective date of such termination or cancellation and providing that such notice shall not limit or terminate any obligations resulting from default by the Franchisee, as principal, that may have accrued under the performance bond as a result of default by the Franchisee prior to the effective date of such termination.

11.7.2. In the event that a performance bond provided pursuant to this Section is not renewed or is canceled, the Franchisee shall provide new security pursuant to this Section within thirty (30) days of such cancellation or failure to renew.

11.7.3. Neither cancellation, nor termination, nor refusal by surety to extend the performance bond, nor inability of the Franchisee to file a replacement performance bond or replacement security for its obligations, shall constitute a loss to the LFA recoverable under the performance bond.

11.8. *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:

Office of the Mayor
New Hyde Park Village Hall
1420 Jericho Turnpike
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

12.5.3. with a copy to:

Office of the Village Attorney
New Hyde Park Village Hall
1420 Jericho Turnpike
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

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~~ With the exception of the "material provisions" of this Agreement, 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. For purposes of this Agreement, the term "material provision" or "material provisions" shall mean the terms set forth in Section 2.3 (Effective Date and Term), Article 3 (Provision of Cable Service), Subsection 4.2 (System Characteristics), Section 7.1 (Open Books and Records), and Article 9 (Transfer of 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, or sex.

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. *Identification of Franchisee's Employees, Vehicles & Contractors.* The Franchisee shall require all the Franchisee personnel, contractors and subcontractors contacting Subscribers or potential Subscribers outside the office of the Franchisee to wear a clearly visible identification card bearing their name and photograph.

12.17.1. The Franchisee shall make reasonable effort to account for all identification cards at all times.

12.17.2. The Franchisee shall require all the Franchisee representatives to wear appropriate clothing while working at a Subscriber's premises.

12.17.3. The Franchisee shall require that all service vehicle of the Franchisee and its contractors or subcontractors be clearly identified as such to the public. Specifically, the Franchisee vehicles shall be required to have the Franchisee's logo plainly visible. The Franchisee shall require that all contractors and subcontractors working for the Franchisee shall have the contractor's/subcontractor's name plus markings (such as a magnetic door sign) indicating they are under contract to the Franchisee.

12.18. *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.

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

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12.20. *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 _____, ~~2006~~ 2007.

Village of New Hyde Park:

By: _____
Daniel P. Petruccio, Mayor

Verizon New York Inc.

By: _____
Tracey A. Edwards, Vice President

EXHIBITS

Exhibit A: Municipal Buildings to be Provided Free Cable Service

Exhibit B: Service Area

Exhibit C: PEG Channels

Exhibit D: Security

EXHIBIT A

MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS TO BE PROVIDED FREE CABLE SERVICE

Village Hall
1420 Jericho Turnpike
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

Village Public Works Building
498 Stewart Avenue
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

Memorial Field Fieldhouse
Albert Street
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

Hillside Public Library
~~1950 Hillside Avenue~~ 155 Lakeville Road
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

New Hyde Park Road School
New Hyde Park Road
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

New Hyde Park Volunteer Fire Department
1555 Jericho Turnpike
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

EXHIBIT B

SERVICE AREA

The Service Area shall be the Franchise Area. A map of the Service Area is attached hereto.

The construction of the Franchisee's FTTP Network has been completed to approximately ~~30~~85% of the current households in the Franchise Area. At present, Franchisee's anticipated schedule calls for ~~55~~90% deployment by ~~April~~June 2007 and 100% deployment by ~~October~~December 2007. 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 from the LFA, Franchisee shall make available on the 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 (collectively, "PEG Channels").

EXHIBIT D

SECURITY

SAMPLE

Franchise Bond

Bond No. _____

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That (name & address) (hereinafter called the Principal), and (name and address) (hereinafter called the Surety), a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of (state), are held and firmly bound unto (name & address) (hereinafter called the Obligee), in the full and just sum of _____ Dollars (\$_____), the payment of which sum, well and truly to be made, the said Principal and Surety bind themselves, their heirs, administrators, executors, and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

WHEREAS, the Principal and Obligee have entered into a Franchise Agreement dated _____ which is hereby referred to and made a part hereof.

WHEREAS, said Principal is required to perform certain obligations under said Agreement.

WHEREAS, the Obligee has agreed to accept this bond as security against default by Principal of performance of its obligations under said Agreement during the time period this bond is in effect.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CONDITION OF THIS OBLIGATION IS SUCH that if the Principal shall perform its obligations under said Agreement, then this obligation shall be void, otherwise to remain in full force and effect, unless otherwise terminated, cancelled or expired as hereinafter provided.

PROVIDED HOWEVER, that this bond is executed subject to the following express provisions and conditions:

1. In the event of default by the Principal, Obligee shall deliver to Surety a written statement of the details of such default within 30 days after the Obligee shall learn of the same, such notice to be delivered by certified mail to address of said Surety as stated herein.
2. This bond is for the annual term beginning _____ and ending _____, and may be extended for additional annual terms at the sole option of the surety.
3. Neither cancellation, termination nor refusal by Surety to extend this bond, nor inability of Principal to file a replacement bond or replacement security for its obligations under said Agreement, shall constitute a loss to the Obligee recoverable under this bond.
4. No claim, action, suit or proceeding shall be instituted against this bond unless same be brought or instituted and process served within one year after termination or cancellation of this bond.

- This bond shall not bind the Surety unless it is accepted by the Obligee by signing below.**

Principal

By: _____

Accepted by Obligee: _____
(Signature & date above - Print Name, Title below)

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Ben,

As we discussed, attached is an updated franchise agreement, incorporating many of the changes you requested. Also attached is a redline to the previous draft agreement. I will separately send an updated Exhibit B on Monday. Thank you for being patient with us. I will be in the office all next week, please let me know if you have any questions or concerns. I hope you feel better.

Best regards,

Nia

Cable Franchise Agreement

by and between

The Village of New Hyde Park, NY

and

Verizon New York Inc.

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THIS CABLE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT (the "Franchise" or "Agreement") is entered into by and between the Village of New Hyde Park, 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.

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, and such additional areas as may be annexed or acquired.

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.

1.16.1. 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) revenues from the sale or lease of access channel(s) or channel capacity; ~~and (iv)(iv) video-on-demand and pay-per-view; 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.

1.16.2. Gross Revenue shall not include:

1.16.2.1. ~~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, barter, 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 services or PEG Grant payments.~~

1.16.2.2. Except as otherwise provided in Subsection 1.16.1, 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. Should revenue from any service provided by Franchisee over the Cable System be classified as a Cable Service by a final determination or ruling of any agency or court having jurisdiction, after the exhaustion of all appeals related thereto, the LFA shall be entitled, after notification to Franchisee, to amend this Agreement in the manner prescribed under applicable state law or this Franchise to include revenue from Franchisee's provision of such service as Gross Revenue, and Franchisee shall include revenue from such service as Gross Revenue on a going forward basis commencing with the next available billing cycle following the date of issuance of an order from the NY PSC approving such amendment.

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 New Hyde Park, 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 1.31.1.1 and 1.31.1.2 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*: Franchisee is in the process of completing the upgrading of its existing telecommunications and information services network through the installation of the FTTP Network in the Franchise Area pursuant to authority granted by Section 27 of the New York Transportation Corporations Law, as amended, and Title II of the Communications Act. 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 through this Franchise over the construction, placement and operation of Franchisee's mixed-use facilities; provided, however, that nothing herein shall be construed to limit the LFA's existing authority with respect to the Franchisee's mixed use facilities pursuant to Title II of the Communications Act and Section 27 of the Transportation Corporations Law.

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, subject to the terms of Section 2.8 of this Agreement.

2.5. *Franchise Subject to Federal Law:* Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary herein, this Franchise is subject to and shall be governed by all applicable provisions of federal 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. *Construction of Agreement:*~~ 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.

~~2.7.2. 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 subject Franchisee to 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 in a manner 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 its pre-existing condition.

2.10. *Restoration of Subscriber Premises:* The Franchisee shall ensure that Subscriber's premises are restored to at least their pre-existing condition if damaged by the Franchisee's employees or agents in any respect in connection with the installation, repair, or disconnection of Cable Service.

2.11. *Compliance with Village Code:* To the extent not pre-empted by federal or state law, the Franchisee shall comply with all applicable and lawful provisions of the Code of the Village of New Hyde Park, including, but not limited to, Chapter 114 (Licensing Requirements and Procedures) thereof.

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; (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 thirty-five (35) 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 respectively, 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 one hundred fifty (150) feet of aerial 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 one hundred fifty (150) feet or are in an area with a density of less than thirty-five (35) 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 thirty-five (35) occupied residential dwelling units per mile if such would not be possible within the limitations of economic feasibility. 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.

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, private primary and secondary schools accredited by the New York State Board of Regents, 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 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. 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. 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.

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.

4.5. *Parental Control:* Upon request by any digital Subscriber, and where technologically feasible, the Franchisee shall provide such requesting digital Subscriber with a parental control device. Such device will, at a minimum, offer as an option that a Person ordering programming must provide a personal identification number or other means provided by the Franchisee only to a Subscriber. Provided, however, that the Franchisee shall bear no responsibility for the exercise of parental controls and shall incur no liability for any Subscriber's or viewer's exercise or failure to exercise such controls.

5. PEG SERVICES

5.1. *PEG Set Aside:*

5.1.1. In order to ensure universal availability of public, educational and government programming, Franchisee shall 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 (collectively, "PEG Channels").

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 pre-recorded 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. *PEG Grant:* The Franchisee shall pay a PEG Grant to the LFA in the total amount of Forty Five Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$45,000) (the "PEG Grant"); ~~payable in fifteen (15) equal installments of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) each. The first installment, The first payment of Fifteen Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$15,000) shall be payable within sixty (60~~30~~) days of the Effective Date. The remaining fourteen (14) installments shall be payable within sixty (60) days of the subsequent fourteen (14) Thirty Thousand Dollars and No/100 shall be payable in five equal installments of Six Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$6,000) payable on the first five (5) anniversaries of the Effective Date.~~ The LFA shall impose an equivalent obligation to the obligation contained in this Section 5.2 on all providers of cable service in the Service Area. In any event, if any new or renewed franchise agreement contains obligations that are lesser in amount or aggregate value than the obligations imposed in this Section 5.2, Franchisee's obligations under Section 5.2 shall be reduced to an equivalent amount.

5.2.1. The PEG Grant shall be used by the LFA exclusively for cable-related costs, including, but not limited to, costs for studio facilities, studio and portable production equipment, editing equipment, program playback equipment, Internet connectivity and other cable-related costs as may be ascertained by the LFA. ~~The LFA shall provide Franchisee with a complete accounting annually of the distribution of funds granted pursuant to Sections 5.2.~~

5.3. Consistent with Section 895.3 of the NY PSC rules and regulations, the LFA shall not award or renew a franchise for cable television service which contains economic or regulatory burdens which, when taken as a whole, are greater or lesser than those burdens placed upon the Franchisee pursuant to this Franchise.

5.4. *Recovery of Costs:* To the extent permitted by federal law, the Franchisee shall be allowed to recover the costs arising from the provision of a PEG Grant or any other 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, line-item, or otherwise pass-through interconnection and any franchise-related costs to Subscribers.

5.5. *PEG Liability.* In accordance with 47 U.S.C. §558, the Franchisee shall not incur any liability arising from or in connection with any PEG Channels.

6. FRANCHISE FEES

6.1. *Payment to LFA:* Franchisee shall pay to the LFA a Franchise Fee of three percent (3%) of annual Gross Revenue (the "Franchise Fee"). The LFA shall have the option to increase the Franchise Fee up to the federal maximum of five percent (5%) upon ninety

(90) days written notice to the Franchisee. The LFA may only increase the Franchise Fee one (1) time in any twelve (12) month period. If at any time during the duration of this agreement, the LFA chooses to increase the Franchise Fee pursuant to Section 6.1, it may only do so if all other franchisees/cable service providers providing Cable Service in the Franchise Area are required to pay a franchise fee at the same or higher rate as the proposed increased Franchise Fee. In accordance with Title VI, the twelve (12) month period applicable under the Franchise for the computation of the Franchise Fee shall be a calendar year. 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. *Audit:* ~~LFA, or its designee, may conduct an audit or other inquiry in relation to payments made by Franchisee no more than once every three (3) years during the Term. As a part of the audit process, LFA or LFA's designee may inspect Franchisee's books of accounts relative to LFA at any time during regular business hours and after thirty (30) calendar days prior written notice.~~ Audit: Subject to the confidentiality requirements set forth in Section 7.1 of this Franchise, Franchisee shall be responsible for making available to the LFA for inspection and audit, all records necessary to confirm the accurate payment of Franchise Fees, whether the records are held by the Franchisee, an Affiliate, or any other entity that collects or receives funds related to the Franchisee's Cable Services operation in the LFA subject to the payment of Franchise Fees under this Agreement, including, by way of illustration and not limitation, any entity that sells advertising on the Franchisee's behalf. Upon thirty (30) business days written notice to the Franchisee, Franchisee shall make such records available for inspection and audit at a mutually agreed upon location, within fifty (50) miles of the territorial limits of the LFA. Franchisee shall maintain such records for six (6) years, provided that, if the LFA commences an audit within that six (6) year period, Franchisee shall continue to maintain such records for the duration of any audit in progress at the end of that six (6) year period. The LFA shall conduct all audits expeditiously, and neither the LFA nor Franchisee shall unreasonably delay the completion of an audit. The LFA's audit expenses shall be borne by the LFA unless the audit determines that the payment to the LFA should be increased by five percent (5%) or more in the audited period, in which case the reasonable and customary costs of the audit, together with any additional amounts due to the LFA as a result of such audit, shall be paid by Franchisee to the LFA within sixty (60) days following written notice to Franchisee by the LFA of the underpayment, which notice shall include a copy of the audit report; provided, however, that Franchisee's obligation to pay or reimburse the LFA's audit expenses shall not exceed an aggregate of Five Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$5,000). If re-computation results in additional revenue to be paid to the LFA, such amount shall be subject to interest charges computed from the due date, at the then-current rate set forth in Section 5004 of the New York Civil Practice Law and Rules (which as of the date of execution of this Agreement is nine percent (9%) per annum) during the period such unpaid amount is owed. If the audit determines that there has been an overpayment by Franchisee, the Franchisee may credit any overpayment against its next quarterly payment. Said audit shall be conducted by an independent third party

and no auditor so employed by the LFA shall be compensated on a success based formula, e.g., payment based on a percentage of an underpayment, if any. The LFA shall not conduct an audit more frequently than once every three (3) years.

~~6.3.1. All records deemed by LFA or LFA's designee to be reasonably necessary for such audit shall be made available by Franchisee in a mutually agreeable format and location. Franchisee agrees to give its full cooperation in any audit and shall provide responses to inquiries within thirty (30) calendar days of a written request. Franchisee may provide such responses within a reasonable time after the expiration of the response period above so long as Franchisee has made a good faith effort to procure any such tardy response.~~

~~6.3.2. If the results of any audit indicate that Franchisee (i) paid the correct franchise fee, (ii) overpaid the franchise fee and is entitled to a refund or credit, or (iii) underpaid the franchise fee by five percent (5%) or less, then LFA shall pay the costs of the audit. If the results of the audit indicate Franchisee underpaid the franchise fee by more than five percent (5%), then Franchisee shall pay the reasonable, documented, third party costs of the audit, which costs shall be limited to Five Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$5,000).~~

~~6.3.3. Any auditor employed by LFA shall not be compensated on a success based formula, e.g., payment based on a percentage on underpayment, if any. Franchisee shall be provided a reasonable opportunity to review the results of any audit and to dispute any audit results which indicate an underpayment to the LFA.~~

6.4. *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 can not exceed the date of records retention reflected in Section 7.

6.5. *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. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Franchisee bundles Cable Service with Non-Cable Service, the Franchisee agrees that it will not intentionally or unlawfully allocate such revenue for the purpose of evading Franchise Fee payments under this franchise. The parties agree that tariffed telecommunications services that cannot be discounted by state or federal law or regulation are to be excluded from the bundled discount allocation basis.

6.6. *Section 626 Set-Off:* The Franchise Fee as defined herein shall not constitute a set off against the special franchise tax as provided for in N.Y. Real Property Tax Law Section 626. The operation of this subparagraph shall be strictly limited to Franchise Fees lawfully imposed upon Cable Service, and shall not be construed to affect the Franchise's rights under any provision of state or federal law regarding the provision of services other than Cable Service.

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.

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, Employer's Liability Insurance, and excess liability or umbrella coverage.

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, its officers, agents, boards, elected officials and employees, for, and hold 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 of

royalties, programming license fees, or infringement of copyright or patent rights arising from the Franchisee's provision of Cable Services over the Cable System other than programming provided by the LFA, 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.~~

~~8.2.3.~~ ~~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 1.31 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 12.11 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, in accordance with 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. *Liquidated Damages:* For the violation of any of the following provisions of this Franchise, liquidated damages shall be paid by the Franchisee to the LFA. Any such liquidated damages shall be assessed as of the date that is sixty (60) days from the Franchisee's receipt of the Noncompliance Notice, provided that the Franchisee has not cured the noncompliance upon which the Noncompliance Notice was issued, in accordance with the procedures set forth in Sections 11.1 and 11.2 above. On an annual basis from the Effective Date, the Franchisee shall not be liable for liquidated damages that exceed Five Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$5,000). Liquidated damages shall be assessed as follows:

For failure to provide PEG Services to residents of the LFA

specified in Section 5.1.....\$50 per day for each day the
violation continues;

For failure to provide LFA with any reports or
records required by the Agreement
within the time period required.....\$25 per day for each day the
violation continues;

For failure to carry the insurance specified in
Section 8.1.1.....\$50 per day for each day the
violation continues; and

For failure to obtain or maintain the Security specified in Section 11.7.....\$25 per day.

11.3.1. Any liquidated damages assessed pursuant to this section shall not be a limitation upon any other provisions of this Franchise and applicable law, including revocation, or any other statutorily or judicially imposed penalties or remedies; provided, however, that in the event that the LFA collects liquidated damages for a specific breach for a specific period of time, pursuant to this Section 11.3, the collection of such liquidated damages shall be deemed to be the exclusive remedy for that specific breach for such specific period of time only.

11.3.2. The parties agree that each case of non-compliance as set forth in this Section 11.3 shall result in damage to the LFA, compensation for which will be difficult to ascertain. The parties agree that the liquidated damages in the amounts set forth in this Section 11.3 are fair and reasonable compensation for such damage.

11.4. *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 thirty (30) 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.

11.5. *Enforcement:* Subject to Section 12.11 below and applicable federal and state law, in the event the LFA, after the public hearing set forth in Section 11.4, determines that Franchisee is in default of any provision of this Franchise, the LFA may:

11.5.1. Seek specific performance of any provision, which reasonably lends itself to such remedy, as an alternative to damages; or

11.5.2. Commence an action at law for monetary damages or seek other equitable relief; or

11.5.3. In the case of a substantial noncompliance with a material provision of this Franchise, seek to revoke the Franchise in accordance with Section 11.6.

11.6. *Revocation Hearing:* At the designated public hearing at which the LFA has informed the Franchisee that revocation is a possible consequence, in accordance with the written notice requirements set forth in Section 11.4 hereof, 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.

11.6.1. Following the public hearing at which revocation is a possible consequence, 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.

11.7. *Security:* Within fifteen (15) days after the Effective Date, the Franchisee shall provide to the LFA security for the performance of its obligations under this Agreement in the amount of Fifty Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$50,000) (the "Security"). The form of this Security may, at the Franchisee's option, be a performance bond, letter of credit, cash deposit, cashier's check or any other security acceptable to the LFA. If the Franchisee posts a performance bond, it shall be substantially in the form of Exhibit D attached hereto.

11.7.1. At the Franchisee's option the performance bond may be replaced with a substantially similar performance bond which, rather than having an annual term that can be extended for additional annual terms at the option of the surety, shall be cancelable by the surety giving not less than sixty (60) days written notice to the LFA, as obligee, stating therein the effective date of such termination or cancellation and providing that such notice shall not limit or terminate any obligations resulting from default by the Franchisee, as principal, that may have accrued under the performance bond as a result of default by the Franchisee prior to the effective date of such termination.

11.7.2. In the event that a performance bond provided pursuant to this Section is not renewed or is canceled, the Franchisee shall provide new security pursuant to this Section within thirty (30) days of such cancellation or failure to renew.

11.7.3. Neither cancellation, nor termination, nor refusal by surety to extend the performance bond, nor inability of the Franchisee to file a replacement performance bond or replacement security for its obligations, shall constitute a loss to the LFA recoverable under the performance bond.

11.8. *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:

Office of the Mayor
New Hyde Park Village Hall
1420 Jericho Turnpike
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

12.5.3. with a copy to:

Office of the Village Attorney
New Hyde Park Village Hall
1420 Jericho Turnpike
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

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~~The LFA shall not subject the Franchisee to 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:* With the exception of the "material provisions" of this Agreement, 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. For purposes of this Agreement, the term "material provision" or "material provisions" shall mean the terms set forth in Section 2.3 (Effective Date and Term), Article 3 (Provision of Cable Service), Subsection 4.2 (System Characteristics), Section 7.1 (Open Books and Records), and Article 9 (Transfer of 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, or sex.

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. *Identification of Franchisee's Employees, Vehicles & Contractors*. The Franchisee shall require all the Franchisee personnel, contractors and subcontractors contacting Subscribers or potential Subscribers outside the office of the Franchisee to wear a clearly visible identification card bearing their name and photograph.

12.17.1. The Franchisee shall make reasonable effort to account for all identification cards at all times.

12.17.2. The Franchisee shall require all the Franchisee representatives to wear appropriate clothing while working at a Subscriber's premises.

12.17.3. The Franchisee shall require that all service vehicle of the Franchisee and its contractors or subcontractors be clearly identified as such to the public. Specifically, the Franchisee vehicles shall be required to have the Franchisee's logo plainly visible. The Franchisee shall require that all contractors and subcontractors working for the Franchisee shall have the contractor's/subcontractor's name plus markings (such as a magnetic door sign) indicating they are under contract to the Franchisee.

12.18. *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.

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

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12.20. *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.

Village of New Hyde Park:

By: _____
Daniel P. Petruccio, Mayor

Verizon New York Inc.

By: _____
Tracey A. Edwards, Vice President

EXHIBITS

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Exhibit C: PEG Channels

Exhibit D: Security

EXHIBIT A

MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS TO BE PROVIDED FREE CABLE SERVICE

Village Hall
1420 Jericho Turnpike
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

Village Public Works Building
498 Stewart Avenue
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

Memorial Field Fieldhouse
Albert Street
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

Hillside Public Library
155 Lakeville Road
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

New Hyde Park Road School
New Hyde Park Road
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

New Hyde Park Volunteer Fire Department
~~1555 Jericho Turnpike~~
South Fifth Street
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

EXHIBIT C

PEG CHANNELS

Upon written request from the LFA, Franchisee shall make available on the 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 (collectively, "PEG Channels").

EXHIBIT D

SECURITY

SAMPLE

Franchise Bond

Bond No. _____

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That (name & address) (hereinafter called the Principal), and (name and address) (hereinafter called the Surety), a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of (state), are held and firmly bound unto (name & address) (hereinafter called the Obligee), in the full and just sum of _____ Dollars (\$_____), the payment of which sum, well and truly to be made, the said Principal and Surety bind themselves, their heirs, administrators, executors, and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

WHEREAS, the Principal and Obligee have entered into a Franchise Agreement dated _____ which is hereby referred to and made a part hereof.

WHEREAS, said Principal is required to perform certain obligations under said Agreement.

WHEREAS, the Obligee has agreed to accept this bond as security against default by Principal of performance of its obligations under said Agreement during the time period this bond is in effect.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CONDITION OF THIS OBLIGATION IS SUCH that if the Principal shall perform its obligations under said Agreement, then this obligation shall be void, otherwise to remain in full force and effect, unless otherwise terminated, cancelled or expired as hereinafter provided.

PROVIDED HOWEVER, that this bond is executed subject to the following express provisions and conditions:

1. In the event of default by the Principal, Obligee shall deliver to Surety a written statement of the details of such default within 30 days after the Obligee shall learn of the same, such notice to be delivered by certified mail to address of said Surety as stated herein.
2. This bond is for the annual term beginning _____ and ending _____, and may be extended for additional annual terms at the sole option of the surety.
3. Neither cancellation, termination nor refusal by Surety to extend this bond, nor inability of Principal to file a replacement bond or replacement security for its obligations under said Agreement, shall constitute a loss to the Obligee recoverable under this bond.
4. No claim, action, suit or proceeding shall be instituted against this bond unless same be brought or instituted and process served within one year after termination or cancellation of this bond.

Accepted by Obligee: _____
(Signature & date above - Print Name, Title below)

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Cable Franchise Agreement

by and between

The Village of New Hyde Park, NY

and

Verizon New York Inc.

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THIS CABLE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT (the "Franchise" or "Agreement") is entered into by and between the Village of New Hyde Park, 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.

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, and such additional areas as may be annexed or acquired.

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.

1.16.1. 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) revenues from the sale or lease of access channel(s) or channel capacity; (iv) video-on-demand and pay-per-view; 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.

1.16.2. Gross Revenue shall not include:

1.16.2.1. 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 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, barter, 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; any fees or charges collected from Subscribers or other third parties for any PEG Grant payments.

1.16.2.2. Except as otherwise provided in Subsection 1.16.1, 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. Should revenue from any service provided by Franchisee over the Cable System be classified as a Cable Service by a final determination or ruling of any agency or court having jurisdiction, after the exhaustion of all appeals related thereto, the LFA shall be entitled, after notification to Franchisee, to amend this Agreement in the manner prescribed under applicable state law or this Franchise to include revenue from Franchisee's provision of such service as Gross Revenue, and Franchisee shall include revenue from such service as Gross Revenue on a going forward basis commencing with the next available billing cycle following the date of issuance of an order from the NY PSC approving such amendment.

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 New Hyde Park, 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 1.31.1.1 and 1.31.1.2 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*: Franchisee is in the process of completing the upgrading of its existing telecommunications and information services network through the installation of the FTTP Network in the Franchise Area pursuant to authority granted by Section 27 of the New York Transportation Corporations Law, as amended, and Title II of the Communications Act. 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 through this Franchise over the construction, placement and operation of Franchisee's mixed-use facilities; provided, however, that nothing herein shall be construed to limit the LFA's existing authority with respect to the Franchisee's mixed use facilities pursuant to Title II of the Communications Act and Section 27 of the Transportation Corporations Law.

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, subject to the terms of Section 2.8 of this Agreement.

2.5. *Franchise Subject to Federal Law:* Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary herein, this Franchise is subject to and shall be governed by all applicable provisions of federal 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:* 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.

2.8. *Police Powers:* The LFA shall not subject Franchisee to 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 in a manner 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 its pre-existing condition.

2.10. *Restoration of Subscriber Premises:* The Franchisee shall ensure that Subscriber's premises are restored to at least their pre-existing condition if damaged by the Franchisee's employees or agents in any respect in connection with the installation, repair, or disconnection of Cable Service.

2.11. *Compliance with Village Code:* To the extent not pre-empted by federal or state law, the Franchisee shall comply with all applicable and lawful provisions of the Code of the Village of New Hyde Park, including, but not limited to, Chapter 114 (Licensing Requirements and Procedures) thereof.

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; (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 thirty-five (35) 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 respectively, 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 one hundred fifty (150) feet of aerial 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 one hundred fifty (150) feet or are in an area with a density of less than thirty-five (35) 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 thirty-five (35) occupied residential dwelling units per mile if such would not be possible within the limitations of economic feasibility. 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.

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, private primary and secondary schools accredited by the New York State Board of Regents, 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 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. 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. 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.

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.

4.5. *Parental Control:* Upon request by any digital Subscriber, and where technologically feasible, the Franchisee shall provide such requesting digital Subscriber with a parental control device. Such device will, at a minimum, offer as an option that a Person ordering programming must provide a personal identification number or other means provided by the Franchisee only to a Subscriber. Provided, however, that the Franchisee shall bear no responsibility for the exercise of parental controls and shall incur no liability for any Subscriber's or viewer's exercise or failure to exercise such controls.

5. PEG SERVICES

5.1. *PEG Set Aside:*

5.1.1. In order to ensure universal availability of public, educational and government programming, Franchisee shall 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 (collectively, "PEG Channels").

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 pre-recorded 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. *PEG Grant:* The Franchisee shall pay a PEG Grant to the LFA in the total amount of Forty Five Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$45,000) (the "PEG Grant"). The first payment of Fifteen Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$15,000) shall be payable within thirty (30) days of the Effective Date. The remaining Thirty Thousand Dollars and No/100 shall be payable in five equal installments of Six Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$6,000) payable on the first five (5) anniversaries of the Effective Date. The LFA shall impose an equivalent obligation to the obligation contained in this Section 5.2 on all providers of cable service in the Service Area. In any event, if any new or renewed franchise agreement contains obligations that are lesser in amount or aggregate value than the obligations imposed in this Section 5.2, Franchisee's obligations under Section 5.2 shall be reduced to an equivalent amount.

5.2.1. The PEG Grant shall be used by the LFA exclusively for cable-related costs, including, but not limited to, costs for studio facilities, studio and portable production equipment, editing equipment, program playback equipment, Internet connectivity and other cable-related costs as may be ascertained by the LFA.

5.3. Consistent with Section 895.3 of the NY PSC rules and regulations, the LFA shall not award or renew a franchise for cable television service which contains economic or regulatory burdens which, when taken as a whole, are greater or lesser than those burdens placed upon the Franchisee pursuant to this Franchise.

5.4. *Recovery of Costs:* To the extent permitted by federal law, the Franchisee shall be allowed to recover the costs arising from the provision of a PEG Grant or any other 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 foregoing, if allowed under state and federal laws, Franchisee may externalize, line-item, or otherwise pass-through interconnection and any franchise-related costs to Subscribers.

5.5. *PEG Liability.* In accordance with 47 U.S.C. §558, the Franchisee shall not incur any liability arising from or in connection with any PEG Channels.

6. **FRANCHISE FEES**

6.1. *Payment to LFA:* Franchisee shall pay to the LFA a Franchise Fee of three percent (3%) of annual Gross Revenue (the "Franchise Fee"). The LFA shall have the option to increase the Franchise Fee up to the federal maximum of five percent (5%) upon ninety (90) days written notice to the Franchisee. The LFA may only increase the Franchise Fee one (1) time in any twelve (12) month period. If at any time during the duration of this agreement, the LFA chooses to increase the Franchise Fee pursuant to Section 6.1, it may only do so if all other cable service providers providing Cable Service in the Franchise Area are required to pay a franchise fee at the same or higher rate as the proposed increased Franchise Fee. In accordance with Title VI, the twelve (12) month period applicable under the Franchise for the computation of the Franchise Fee shall be a calendar year. 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. *Audit:* Subject to the confidentiality requirements set forth in Section 7.1 of this Franchise, Franchisee shall be responsible for making available to the LFA for inspection and audit, all records necessary to confirm the accurate payment of Franchise Fees, whether the records are held by the Franchisee, an Affiliate, or any other entity that collects or receives funds related to the Franchisee's Cable Services operation in the LFA subject to the payment of

Franchise Fees under this Agreement, including, by way of illustration and not limitation, any entity that sells advertising on the Franchisee's behalf. Upon thirty (30) business days written notice to the Franchisee, Franchisee shall make such records available for inspection and audit at a mutually agreed upon location, within fifty (50) miles of the territorial limits of the LFA. Franchisee shall maintain such records for six (6) years, provided that, if the LFA commences an audit within that six (6) year period, Franchisee shall continue to maintain such records for the duration of any audit in progress at the end of that six (6) year period. The LFA shall conduct all audits expeditiously, and neither the LFA nor Franchisee shall unreasonably delay the completion of an audit. The LFA's audit expenses shall be borne by the LFA unless the audit determines that the payment to the LFA should be increased by five percent (5%) or more in the audited period, in which case the reasonable and customary costs of the audit, together with any additional amounts due to the LFA as a result of such audit, shall be paid by Franchisee to the LFA within sixty (60) days following written notice to Franchisee by the LFA of the underpayment, which notice shall include a copy of the audit report; provided, however, that Franchisee's obligation to pay or reimburse the LFA's audit expenses shall not exceed an aggregate of Five Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$5,000). If re-computation results in additional revenue to be paid to the LFA, such amount shall be subject to interest charges computed from the due date, at the then-current rate set forth in Section 5004 of the New York Civil Practice Law and Rules (which as of the date of execution of this Agreement is nine percent (9%) per annum) during the period such unpaid amount is owed. If the audit determines that there has been an overpayment by Franchisee, the Franchisee may credit any overpayment against its next quarterly payment. Said audit shall be conducted by an independent third party and no auditor so employed by the LFA shall be compensated on a success based formula, e.g., payment based on a percentage of an underpayment, if any. The LFA shall not conduct an audit more frequently than once every three (3) years.

6.4. *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 can not exceed the date of records retention reflected in Section 7.

6.5. *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. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Franchisee bundles Cable Service with Non-Cable Service, the Franchisee agrees that it will not intentionally or unlawfully allocate such revenue for the purpose of evading Franchise Fee payments under this franchise. The parties agree that tariffed telecommunications services that cannot be discounted by state or federal law or regulation are to be excluded from the bundled discount allocation basis.

6.6. *Section 626 Set-Off:* The Franchise Fee as defined herein shall not constitute a set off against the special franchise tax as provided for in N.Y. Real Property Tax Law Section 626. The operation of this subparagraph shall be strictly limited to Franchise Fees lawfully imposed upon Cable Service, and shall not be construed to affect the Franchise's rights

under any provision of state or federal law regarding the provision of services other than Cable Service.

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.

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, Employer's Liability Insurance, and excess liability or umbrella coverage.

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, its officers, agents, boards, elected officials and employees, for, and hold 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 of royalties, programming license fees, or infringement of copyright or patent rights arising from the Franchisee's provision of Cable Services over the Cable System other than programming provided by the LFA, 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 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 1.31 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 12.11 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, in accordance with 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. *Liquidated Damages:* For the violation of any of the following provisions of this Franchise, liquidated damages shall be paid by the Franchisee to the LFA. Any such liquidated damages shall be assessed as of the date that is sixty (60) days from the Franchisee's receipt of the Noncompliance Notice, provided that the Franchisee has not cured the noncompliance upon which the Noncompliance Notice was issued, in accordance with the procedures set forth in Sections 11.1 and 11.2 above. On an annual basis from the Effective Date, the Franchisee shall not be liable for liquidated damages that exceed Five Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$5,000). Liquidated damages shall be assessed as follows:

For failure to provide PEG Services to residents of the LFA
specified in Section 5.1\$50 per day for each day the
.....violation continues;

For failure to provide LFA with any reports or
records required by the Agreement
within the time period required.....\$25 per day for each day the
.....violation continues;

For failure to carry the insurance specified in
Section 8.1.1.....\$50 per day for each day the
.....violation continues; and

For failure to obtain or maintain the Security specified in Section 11.7.....\$25 per day.

11.3.1. Any liquidated damages assessed pursuant to this section shall not be a limitation upon any other provisions of this Franchise and applicable law, including revocation, or any other statutorily or judicially imposed penalties or remedies; provided, however, that in the event that the LFA collects liquidated damages for a specific breach for a specific period of time, pursuant to this Section 11.3, the collection of such liquidated damages shall be deemed to be the exclusive remedy for that specific breach for such specific period of time only.

11.3.2. The parties agree that each case of non-compliance as set forth in this Section 11.3 shall result in damage to the LFA, compensation for which will be difficult to ascertain. The parties agree that the liquidated damages in the amounts set forth in this Section 11.3 are fair and reasonable compensation for such damage.

11.4. *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 thirty (30) 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.

11.5. *Enforcement:* Subject to Section 12.11 below and applicable federal and state law, in the event the LFA, after the public hearing set forth in Section 11.4, determines that Franchisee is in default of any provision of this Franchise, the LFA may:

11.5.1. Seek specific performance of any provision, which reasonably lends itself to such remedy, as an alternative to damages; or

11.5.2. Commence an action at law for monetary damages or seek other equitable relief; or

11.5.3. In the case of a substantial noncompliance with a material provision of this Franchise, seek to revoke the Franchise in accordance with Section 11.6.

11.6. *Revocation Hearing:* At the designated public hearing at which the LFA has informed the Franchisee that revocation is a possible consequence, in accordance with the written notice requirements set forth in Section 11.4 hereof, 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.

11.6.1. Following the public hearing at which revocation is a possible consequence, 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.

11.7. *Security:* Within fifteen (15) days after the Effective Date, the Franchisee shall provide to the LFA security for the performance of its obligations under this Agreement in the amount of Fifty Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$50,000) (the "Security"). The form of this Security may, at the Franchisee's option, be a performance bond, letter of credit, cash deposit, cashier's check or any other security acceptable to the LFA. If the Franchisee posts a performance bond, it shall be substantially in the form of Exhibit D attached hereto.

11.7.1. At the Franchisee's option the performance bond may be replaced with a substantially similar performance bond which, rather than having an annual term that can be extended for additional annual terms at the option of the surety, shall be cancelable by the surety giving not less than sixty (60) days written notice to the LFA, as obligee, stating therein the effective date of such termination or cancellation and providing that such notice shall not limit or terminate any obligations resulting from default by the Franchisee, as principal, that may have accrued under the performance bond as a result of default by the Franchisee prior to the effective date of such termination.

11.7.2. In the event that a performance bond provided pursuant to this Section is not renewed or is canceled, the Franchisee shall provide new security pursuant to this Section within thirty (30) days of such cancellation or failure to renew.

11.7.3. Neither cancellation, nor termination, nor refusal by surety to extend the performance bond, nor inability of the Franchisee to file a replacement performance bond or replacement security for its obligations, shall constitute a loss to the LFA recoverable under the performance bond.

11.8. *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.

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:

Office of the Mayor
New Hyde Park Village Hall
1420 Jericho Turnpike
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

12.5.3. with a copy to:

Office of the Village Attorney
New Hyde Park Village Hall
1420 Jericho Turnpike
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

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. The LFA shall not subject the Franchisee to any local laws or parts of local laws that materially conflict with the provisions of 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:* With the exception of the “material provisions” of this Agreement, 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. For purposes of this Agreement, the term “material provision” or “material provisions” shall mean the terms set forth in Section 2.3 (Effective Date and Term), Article 3

(Provision of Cable Service), Subsection 4.2 (System Characteristics), Section 7.1 (Open Books and Records), and Article 9 (Transfer of 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, or sex.

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. *Identification of Franchisee's Employees, Vehicles & Contractors*. The Franchisee shall require all the Franchisee personnel, contractors and subcontractors contacting Subscribers or potential Subscribers outside the office of the Franchisee to wear a clearly visible identification card bearing their name and photograph.

12.17.1. The Franchisee shall make reasonable effort to account for all identification cards at all times.

12.17.2. The Franchisee shall require all the Franchisee representatives to wear appropriate clothing while working at a Subscriber's premises.

12.17.3. The Franchisee shall require that all service vehicle of the Franchisee and its contractors or subcontractors be clearly identified as such to the public. Specifically, the Franchisee vehicles shall be required to have the Franchisee's logo plainly visible. The Franchisee shall require that all contractors and subcontractors working for the Franchisee shall have the contractor's/subcontractor's name plus markings (such as a magnetic door sign) indicating they are under contract to the Franchisee.

12.18. *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.

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

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12.20. *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.

Village of New Hyde Park:

By: _____
Daniel P. Petruccio, Mayor

Verizon New York Inc.

By: _____
Tracey A. Edwards, Vice President

EXHIBITS

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Exhibit B: Service Area

Exhibit C: PEG Channels

Exhibit D: Security

EXHIBIT A

MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS TO BE PROVIDED FREE CABLE SERVICE

Village Hall
1420 Jericho Turnpike
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

Village Public Works Building
498 Stewart Avenue
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

Memorial Field Fieldhouse
Albert Street
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

Hillside Public Library
155 Lakeville Road
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

New Hyde Park Road School
New Hyde Park Road
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

New Hyde Park Volunteer Fire Department
South Fifth Street
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

EXHIBIT C

PEG CHANNELS

Upon written request from the LFA, Franchisee shall make available on the 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 (collectively, "PEG Channels").

EXHIBIT D

SECURITY

SAMPLE

Franchise Bond

Bond No. _____

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That (name & address) (hereinafter called the Principal), and (name and address) (hereinafter called the Surety), a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of (state), are held and firmly bound unto (name & address) (hereinafter called the Obligee), in the full and just sum of _____ Dollars (\$ _____), the payment of which sum, well and truly to be made, the said Principal and Surety bind themselves, their heirs, administrators, executors, and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

WHEREAS, the Principal and Obligee have entered into a Franchise Agreement dated _____ which is hereby referred to and made a part hereof.

WHEREAS, said Principal is required to perform certain obligations under said Agreement.

WHEREAS, the Obligee has agreed to accept this bond as security against default by Principal of performance of its obligations under said Agreement during the time period this bond is in effect.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CONDITION OF THIS OBLIGATION IS SUCH that if the Principal shall perform its obligations under said Agreement, then this obligation shall be void, otherwise to remain in full force and effect, unless otherwise terminated, cancelled or expired as hereinafter provided.

PROVIDED HOWEVER, that this bond is executed subject to the following express provisions and conditions:

1. In the event of default by the Principal, Obligee shall deliver to Surety a written statement of the details of such default within 30 days after the Obligee shall learn of the same, such notice to be delivered by certified mail to address of said Surety as stated herein.
2. This bond is for the annual term beginning _____ and ending _____, and may be extended for additional annual terms at the sole option of the surety.
3. Neither cancellation, termination nor refusal by Surety to extend this bond, nor inability of Principal to file a replacement bond or replacement security for its obligations under said Agreement, shall constitute a loss to the Obligee recoverable under this bond.
4. No claim, action, suit or proceeding shall be instituted against this bond unless same be brought or instituted and process served within one year after termination or cancellation of this bond.

Accepted by Obligee: _____
(Signature & date above - Print Name, Title below)

Tab 10

McDonald, Nia

From: McDonald, Nia
Sent: Wednesday, May 09, 2007 10:38 AM
To: 'Benjamin Truncale'; 'John Spellman'
Cc: 'David P. Mullen'
Subject: RE: Verizon/New Hyde Park

Attachments: NY-New Hyde Park-Exhibit B and Map.pdf



NY-New Hyde
Park-Exhibit B and...

Ben and John,

Attached as promised is Exhibit B and the Service Area Map for the Village of New Hyde Park. Please call me or Dave to discuss your review of the franchise agreement and any comments that may have come out of your Board meeting last night. Thanks,

Nia

-----Original Message-----

From: McDonald, Nia
Sent: Friday, May 04, 2007 2:06 PM
To: Benjamin Truncale; 'John Spellman'
Cc: David P. Mullen
Subject: Verizon/New Hyde Park

Ben,

As we discussed, attached is an updated franchise agreement, incorporating many of the changes your requested. Also attached is a redline to the previous draft agreement. I will separately send an updated Exhibit B on Monday. Thank you for being patient with us. I will be in the office all next week, please let me know if you have any questions or concerns. I hope you feel better.

Best regards,

Nia

EXHIBIT B

SERVICE AREA

The Service Area shall be the Franchise Area. A map of the Service Area is attached hereto.

The construction of the Franchisee's FTTP Network has been completed to approximately 85% of the current households in the Franchise Area. At present, Franchisee's anticipated schedule calls for 90% deployment by June 2007; 91% deployment by December 2007; 93% deployment by June 2008; 94% deployment by December 2008; 95% deployment by June 2009; 97% deployment by December 2009; 98% deployment by June 2010; 98% deployment by December 2010; 99% deployment by June 2011; 99% 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.

Tab 11

McDonald, Nia

From: McDonald, Nia
Sent: Wednesday, May 09, 2007 5:14 PM
To: 'Patrick E. Farrell'
Subject: Village of New Hyde Park/Verizon Cable Franchise Agreement
Attachments: NY-New Hyde Park-4.30.07 Final Draft.pdf

Patrick,
Attached is the final proposed Verizon contract for placement at Village Hall. This agreement has been shared with John Spellman as well. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns. Thanks!

Nia



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Cable Franchise Agreement

by and between

The Village of New Hyde Park, NY

and

Verizon New York Inc.

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THIS CABLE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT (the "Franchise" or "Agreement") is entered into by and between the Village of New Hyde Park, 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.

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, and such additional areas as may be annexed or acquired.

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.

1.16.1. 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) revenues from the sale or lease of access channel(s) or channel capacity; (iv) video-on-demand and pay-per-view; 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.

1.16.2. Gross Revenue shall not include:

1.16.2.1. 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 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, barter, 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; any fees or charges collected from Subscribers or other third parties for any PEG Grant payments.

1.16.2.2. Except as otherwise provided in Subsection 1.16.1, 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. Should revenue from any service provided by Franchisee over the Cable System be classified as a Cable Service by a final determination or ruling of any agency or court having jurisdiction, after the exhaustion of all appeals related thereto, the LFA shall be entitled, after notification to Franchisee, to amend this Agreement in the manner prescribed under applicable state law or this Franchise to include revenue from Franchisee's provision of such service as Gross Revenue, and Franchisee shall include revenue from such service as Gross Revenue on a going forward basis commencing with the next available billing cycle following the date of issuance of an order from the NY PSC approving such amendment.

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 New Hyde Park, 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 1.31.1.1 and 1.31.1.2 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*: Franchisee is in the process of completing the upgrading of its existing telecommunications and information services network through the installation of the FTTP Network in the Franchise Area pursuant to authority granted by Section 27 of the New York Transportation Corporations Law, as amended, and Title II of the Communications Act. 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 through this Franchise over the construction, placement and operation of Franchisee's mixed-use facilities; provided, however, that nothing herein shall be construed to limit the LFA's existing authority with respect to the Franchisee's mixed use facilities pursuant to Title II of the Communications Act and Section 27 of the Transportation Corporations Law.

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, subject to the terms of Section 2.8 of this Agreement.

2.5. *Franchise Subject to Federal Law:* Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary herein, this Franchise is subject to and shall be governed by all applicable provisions of federal 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:* 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.

2.8. *Police Powers:* The LFA shall not subject Franchisee to 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 in a manner 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 its pre-existing condition.

2.10. *Restoration of Subscriber Premises:* The Franchisee shall ensure that Subscriber's premises are restored to at least their pre-existing condition if damaged by the Franchisee's employees or agents in any respect in connection with the installation, repair, or disconnection of Cable Service.

2.11. *Compliance with Village Code:* To the extent not pre-empted by federal or state law, the Franchisee shall comply with all applicable and lawful provisions of the Code of the Village of New Hyde Park, including, but not limited to, Chapter 114 (Licensing Requirements and Procedures) thereof.

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; (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 thirty-five (35) 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 respectively, 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 one hundred fifty (150) feet of aerial 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 one hundred fifty (150) feet or are in an area with a density of less than thirty-five (35) 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 thirty-five (35) occupied residential dwelling units per mile if such would not be possible within the limitations of economic feasibility. 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.

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, private primary and secondary schools accredited by the New York State Board of Regents, 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 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. 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. 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.

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.

4.5. *Parental Control:* Upon request by any digital Subscriber, and where technologically feasible, the Franchisee shall provide such requesting digital Subscriber with a parental control device. Such device will, at a minimum, offer as an option that a Person ordering programming must provide a personal identification number or other means provided by the Franchisee only to a Subscriber. Provided, however, that the Franchisee shall bear no responsibility for the exercise of parental controls and shall incur no liability for any Subscriber's or viewer's exercise or failure to exercise such controls.

5. **PEG SERVICES**

5.1. *PEG Set Aside:*

5.1.1. In order to ensure universal availability of public, educational and government programming, Franchisee shall 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 (collectively, "PEG Channels").

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 pre-recorded 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. *PEG Grant:* The Franchisee shall pay a PEG Grant to the LFA in the total amount of Forty Five Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$45,000) (the "PEG Grant"). The first payment of Fifteen Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$15,000) shall be payable within thirty (30) days of the Effective Date. The remaining Thirty Thousand Dollars and No/100 shall be payable in five equal installments of Six Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$6,000) payable on the first five (5) anniversaries of the Effective Date. The LFA shall impose an equivalent obligation to the obligation contained in this Section 5.2 on all providers of cable service in the Service Area. In any event, if any new or renewed franchise agreement contains obligations that are lesser in amount or aggregate value than the obligations imposed in this Section 5.2, Franchisee's obligations under Section 5.2 shall be reduced to an equivalent amount.

5.2.1. The PEG Grant shall be used by the LFA exclusively for cable-related costs, including, but not limited to, costs for studio facilities, studio and portable production equipment, editing equipment, program playback equipment, Internet connectivity and other cable-related costs as may be ascertained by the LFA.

5.3. Consistent with Section 895.3 of the NY PSC rules and regulations, the LFA shall not award or renew a franchise for cable television service which contains economic or regulatory burdens which, when taken as a whole, are greater or lesser than those burdens placed upon the Franchisee pursuant to this Franchise.

5.4. *Recovery of Costs:* To the extent permitted by federal law, the Franchisee shall be allowed to recover the costs arising from the provision of a PEG Grant or any other 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 foregoing, if allowed under state and federal laws, Franchisee may externalize, line-item, or otherwise pass-through interconnection and any franchise-related costs to Subscribers.

5.5. *PEG Liability.* In accordance with 47 U.S.C. §558, the Franchisee shall not incur any liability arising from or in connection with any PEG Channels.

6. **FRANCHISE FEES**

6.1. *Payment to LFA:* Franchisee shall pay to the LFA a Franchise Fee of three percent (3%) of annual Gross Revenue (the "Franchise Fee"). The LFA shall have the option to increase the Franchise Fee up to the federal maximum of five percent (5%) upon ninety (90) days written notice to the Franchisee. The LFA may only increase the Franchise Fee one (1) time in any twelve (12) month period. If at any time during the duration of this agreement, the LFA chooses to increase the Franchise Fee pursuant to Section 6.1, it may only do so if all other cable service providers providing Cable Service in the Franchise Area are required to pay a franchise fee at the same or higher rate as the proposed increased Franchise Fee. In accordance with Title VI, the twelve (12) month period applicable under the Franchise for the computation of the Franchise Fee shall be a calendar year. 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. *Audit:* Subject to the confidentiality requirements set forth in Section 7.1 of this Franchise, Franchisee shall be responsible for making available to the LFA for inspection and audit, all records necessary to confirm the accurate payment of Franchise Fees, whether the records are held by the Franchisee, an Affiliate, or any other entity that collects or receives funds related to the Franchisee's Cable Services operation in the LFA subject to the payment of

Franchise Fees under this Agreement, including, by way of illustration and not limitation, any entity that sells advertising on the Franchisee's behalf. Upon thirty (30) business days written notice to the Franchisee, Franchisee shall make such records available for inspection and audit at a mutually agreed upon location, within fifty (50) miles of the territorial limits of the LFA. Franchisee shall maintain such records for six (6) years, provided that, if the LFA commences an audit within that six (6) year period, Franchisee shall continue to maintain such records for the duration of any audit in progress at the end of that six (6) year period. The LFA shall conduct all audits expeditiously, and neither the LFA nor Franchisee shall unreasonably delay the completion of an audit. The LFA's audit expenses shall be borne by the LFA unless the audit determines that the payment to the LFA should be increased by five percent (5%) or more in the audited period, in which case the reasonable and customary costs of the audit, together with any additional amounts due to the LFA as a result of such audit, shall be paid by Franchisee to the LFA within sixty (60) days following written notice to Franchisee by the LFA of the underpayment, which notice shall include a copy of the audit report; provided, however, that Franchisee's obligation to pay or reimburse the LFA's audit expenses shall not exceed an aggregate of Five Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$5,000). If re-computation results in additional revenue to be paid to the LFA, such amount shall be subject to interest charges computed from the due date, at the then-current rate set forth in Section 5004 of the New York Civil Practice Law and Rules (which as of the date of execution of this Agreement is nine percent (9%) per annum) during the period such unpaid amount is owed. If the audit determines that there has been an overpayment by Franchisee, the Franchisee may credit any overpayment against its next quarterly payment. Said audit shall be conducted by an independent third party and no auditor so employed by the LFA shall be compensated on a success based formula, e.g., payment based on a percentage of an underpayment, if any. The LFA shall not conduct an audit more frequently than once every three (3) years.

6.4. *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 can not exceed the date of records retention reflected in Section 7.

6.5. *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. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Franchisee bundles Cable Service with Non-Cable Service, the Franchisee agrees that it will not intentionally or unlawfully allocate such revenue for the purpose of evading Franchise Fee payments under this franchise. The parties agree that tariffed telecommunications services that cannot be discounted by state or federal law or regulation are to be excluded from the bundled discount allocation basis.

6.6. *Section 626 Set-Off:* The Franchise Fee as defined herein shall not constitute a set off against the special franchise tax as provided for in N.Y. Real Property Tax Law Section 626. The operation of this subparagraph shall be strictly limited to Franchise Fees lawfully imposed upon Cable Service, and shall not be construed to affect the Franchise's rights

under any provision of state or federal law regarding the provision of services other than Cable Service.

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.

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, Employer's Liability Insurance, and excess liability or umbrella coverage.

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, its officers, agents, boards, elected officials and employees, for, and hold 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 of royalties, programming license fees, or infringement of copyright or patent rights arising from the Franchisee's provision of Cable Services over the Cable System other than programming provided by the LFA, 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 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 1.31 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 12.11 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, in accordance with 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. *Liquidated Damages:* For the violation of any of the following provisions of this Franchise, liquidated damages shall be paid by the Franchisee to the LFA. Any such liquidated damages shall be assessed as of the date that is sixty (60) days from the Franchisee's receipt of the Noncompliance Notice, provided that the Franchisee has not cured the noncompliance upon which the Noncompliance Notice was issued, in accordance with the procedures set forth in Sections 11.1 and 11.2 above. On an annual basis from the Effective Date, the Franchisee shall not be liable for liquidated damages that exceed Five Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$5,000). Liquidated damages shall be assessed as follows:

For failure to provide PEG Services to residents of the LFA
specified in Section 5.1\$50 per day for each day the
.....violation continues;

For failure to provide LFA with any reports or
records required by the Agreement
within the time period required.....\$25 per day for each day the
.....violation continues;

For failure to carry the insurance specified in
Section 8.1.1.....\$50 per day for each day the
.....violation continues; and

For failure to obtain or maintain the Security specified in Section 11.7.....\$25 per day.

11.3.1. Any liquidated damages assessed pursuant to this section shall not be a limitation upon any other provisions of this Franchise and applicable law, including revocation, or any other statutorily or judicially imposed penalties or remedies; provided, however, that in the event that the LFA collects liquidated damages for a specific breach for a specific period of time, pursuant to this Section 11.3, the collection of such liquidated damages shall be deemed to be the exclusive remedy for that specific breach for such specific period of time only.

11.3.2. The parties agree that each case of non-compliance as set forth in this Section 11.3 shall result in damage to the LFA, compensation for which will be difficult to ascertain. The parties agree that the liquidated damages in the amounts set forth in this Section 11.3 are fair and reasonable compensation for such damage.

11.4. *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 thirty (30) 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.

11.5. *Enforcement:* Subject to Section 12.11 below and applicable federal and state law, in the event the LFA, after the public hearing set forth in Section 11.4, determines that Franchisee is in default of any provision of this Franchise, the LFA may:

11.5.1. Seek specific performance of any provision, which reasonably lends itself to such remedy, as an alternative to damages; or

11.5.2. Commence an action at law for monetary damages or seek other equitable relief; or

11.5.3. In the case of a substantial noncompliance with a material provision of this Franchise, seek to revoke the Franchise in accordance with Section 11.6.

11.6. *Revocation Hearing:* At the designated public hearing at which the LFA has informed the Franchisee that revocation is a possible consequence, in accordance with the written notice requirements set forth in Section 11.4 hereof, 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.

11.6.1. Following the public hearing at which revocation is a possible consequence, 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.

11.7. *Security:* Within fifteen (15) days after the Effective Date, the Franchisee shall provide to the LFA security for the performance of its obligations under this Agreement in the amount of Fifty Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$50,000) (the "Security"). The form of this Security may, at the Franchisee's option, be a performance bond, letter of credit, cash deposit, cashier's check or any other security acceptable to the LFA. If the Franchisee posts a performance bond, it shall be substantially in the form of Exhibit D attached hereto.

11.7.1. At the Franchisee's option the performance bond may be replaced with a substantially similar performance bond which, rather than having an annual term that can be extended for additional annual terms at the option of the surety, shall be cancelable by the surety giving not less than sixty (60) days written notice to the LFA, as obligee, stating therein the effective date of such termination or cancellation and providing that such notice shall not limit or terminate any obligations resulting from default by the Franchisee, as principal, that may have accrued under the performance bond as a result of default by the Franchisee prior to the effective date of such termination.

11.7.2. In the event that a performance bond provided pursuant to this Section is not renewed or is canceled, the Franchisee shall provide new security pursuant to this Section within thirty (30) days of such cancellation or failure to renew.

11.7.3. Neither cancellation, nor termination, nor refusal by surety to extend the performance bond, nor inability of the Franchisee to file a replacement performance bond or replacement security for its obligations, shall constitute a loss to the LFA recoverable under the performance bond.

11.8. *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.

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:

Office of the Mayor
New Hyde Park Village Hall
1420 Jericho Turnpike
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

12.5.3. with a copy to:

Office of the Village Attorney
New Hyde Park Village Hall
1420 Jericho Turnpike
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

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. The LFA shall not subject the Franchisee to any local laws or parts of local laws that materially conflict with the provisions of 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:* With the exception of the "material provisions" of this Agreement, 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. For purposes of this Agreement, the term "material provision" or "material provisions" shall mean the terms set forth in Section 2.3 (Effective Date and Term), Article 3

(Provision of Cable Service), Subsection 4.2 (System Characteristics), Section 7.1 (Open Books and Records), and Article 9 (Transfer of 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, or sex.

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. *Identification of Franchisee's Employees, Vehicles & Contractors*. The Franchisee shall require all the Franchisee personnel, contractors and subcontractors contacting Subscribers or potential Subscribers outside the office of the Franchisee to wear a clearly visible identification card bearing their name and photograph.

12.17.1. The Franchisee shall make reasonable effort to account for all identification cards at all times.

12.17.2. The Franchisee shall require all the Franchisee representatives to wear appropriate clothing while working at a Subscriber's premises.

12.17.3. The Franchisee shall require that all service vehicle of the Franchisee and its contractors or subcontractors be clearly identified as such to the public. Specifically, the Franchisee vehicles shall be required to have the Franchisee's logo plainly visible. The Franchisee shall require that all contractors and subcontractors working for the Franchisee shall have the contractor's/subcontractor's name plus markings (such as a magnetic door sign) indicating they are under contract to the Franchisee.

12.18. *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.

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

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12.20. *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.

Village of New Hyde Park:

By: _____
Daniel P. Petruccio, Mayor

Verizon New York Inc.

By: _____
Tracey A. Edwards, Vice President

EXHIBITS

Exhibit A: Municipal Buildings to be Provided Free Cable Service

Exhibit B: Service Area

Exhibit C: PEG Channels

Exhibit D: Security

EXHIBIT A

MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS TO BE PROVIDED FREE CABLE SERVICE

Village Hall
1420 Jericho Turnpike
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

Village Public Works Building
498 Stewart Avenue
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

Memorial Field Fieldhouse
Albert Street
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

Hillside Public Library
155 Lakeville Road
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

New Hyde Park Road School
New Hyde Park Road
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

New Hyde Park Volunteer Fire Department
South Fifth Street
New Hyde Park, NY 11040

EXHIBIT B

SERVICE AREA

The Service Area shall be the Franchise Area. A map of the Service Area is attached hereto.

The construction of the Franchisee's FTTP Network has been completed to approximately 85% of the current households in the Franchise Area. At present, Franchisee's anticipated schedule calls for 90% deployment by June 2007; 91% deployment by December 2007; 93% deployment by June 2008; 94% deployment by December 2008; 95% deployment by June 2009; 97% deployment by December 2009; 98% deployment by June 2010; 98% deployment by December 2010; 99% deployment by June 2011; 99% 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 from the LFA, Franchisee shall make available on the 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 (collectively, "PEG Channels").

EXHIBIT D

SECURITY

SAMPLE

Franchise Bond

Bond No. _____

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That (name & address) (hereinafter called the Principal), and (name and address) (hereinafter called the Surety), a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of (state), are held and firmly bound unto (name & address) (hereinafter called the Obligee), in the full and just sum of _____ Dollars (\$_____), the payment of which sum, well and truly to be made, the said Principal and Surety bind themselves, their heirs, administrators, executors, and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

WHEREAS, the Principal and Obligee have entered into a Franchise Agreement dated _____ which is hereby referred to and made a part hereof.

WHEREAS, said Principal is required to perform certain obligations under said Agreement.

WHEREAS, the Obligee has agreed to accept this bond as security against default by Principal of performance of its obligations under said Agreement during the time period this bond is in effect.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CONDITION OF THIS OBLIGATION IS SUCH that if the Principal shall perform its obligations under said Agreement, then this obligation shall be void, otherwise to remain in full force and effect, unless otherwise terminated, cancelled or expired as hereinafter provided.

PROVIDED HOWEVER, that this bond is executed subject to the following express provisions and conditions:

1. In the event of default by the Principal, Obligee shall deliver to Surety a written statement of the details of such default within 30 days after the Obligee shall learn of the same, such notice to be delivered by certified mail to address of said Surety as stated herein.
2. This bond is for the annual term beginning _____ and ending _____, and may be extended for additional annual terms at the sole option of the surety.
3. Neither cancellation, termination nor refusal by Surety to extend this bond, nor inability of Principal to file a replacement bond or replacement security for its obligations under said Agreement, shall constitute a loss to the Obligee recoverable under this bond.
4. No claim, action, suit or proceeding shall be instituted against this bond unless same be brought or instituted and process served within one year after termination or cancellation of this bond.

- This bond shall not bind the Surety unless it is accepted by the Obligee by signing below.**

Principal

By: _____

Accepted by Obligee: _____
(Signature & date above - Print Name, Title below)

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

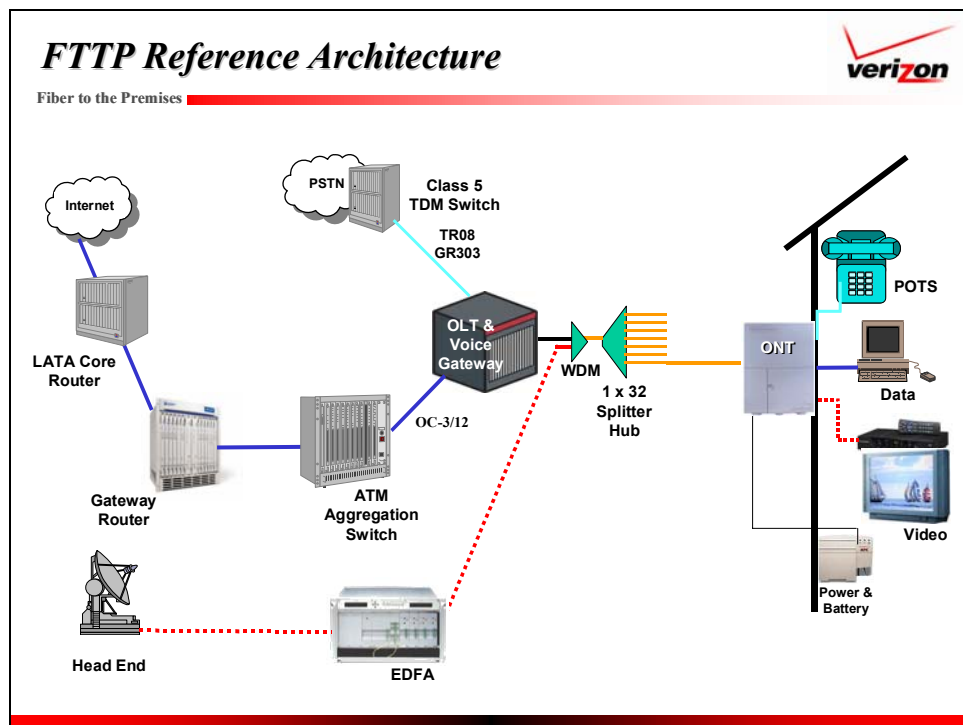
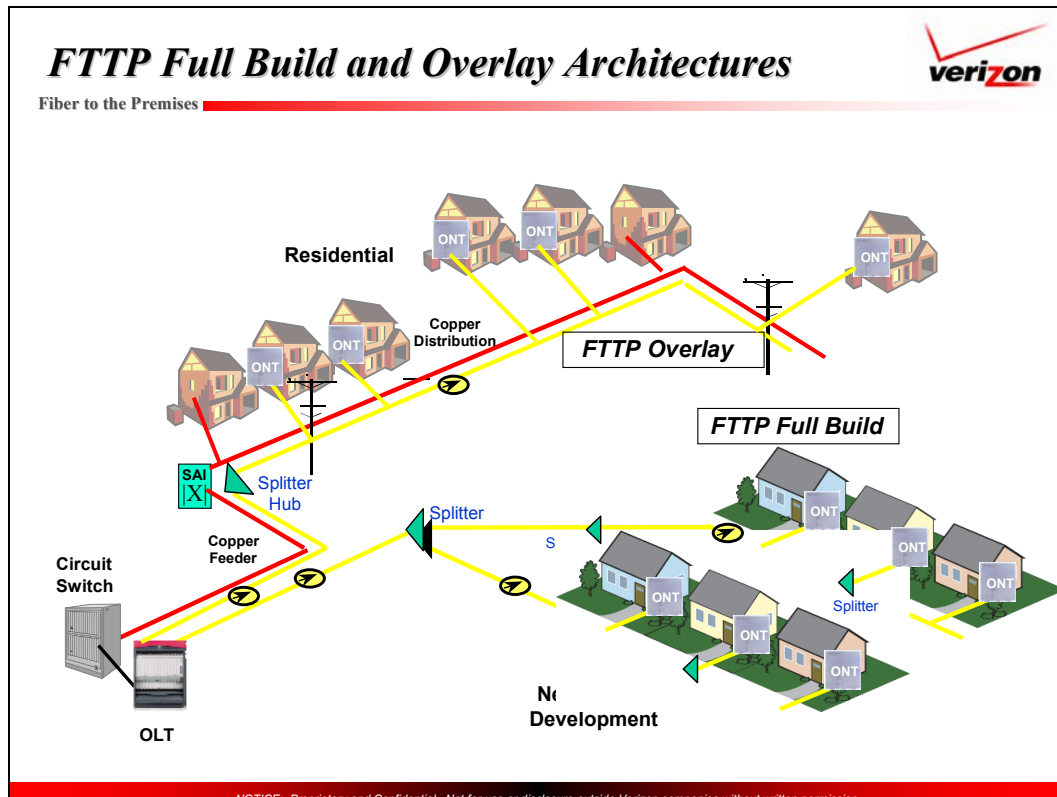


Figure 2-FTTP Full Build and Overlay Architectures



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, education, 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

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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 (STB).

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

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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, education, & 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. Finally, based on Verizon service tiering requirements to support an analog tier, a certain subset of channels shall be converted from digital to analog signals at the VHO (or kept in analog format if local or PEG).

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 amplifiers (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).

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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 New Hyde Park is located at 159 Lowell Ave., Floral Park, NY 11001. If technically feasible or otherwise appropriate, PEG insertion may occur at this location 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.

It is expected that, in many cases, standard home wiring practices, using coaxial cables, will distribute the signal to cable ready televisions (for analog-only subscribers) and to STBs for digital subscribers.

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
New Hyde Park, New York (Nassau
County)**

Case 07-V-_____

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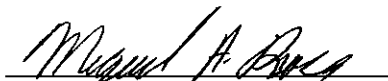
JOHN LACY CLARK, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

I certify that a complete copy of Verizon New York Inc.'s Petition for Confirmation will be sent to Patrick Farrell, Village Clerk, on May 23, 2007, by overnight mail addressed to him at Village of New Hyde Park, 1420 Jericho Turnpike, New Hyde Park, New York 11040.



JOHN LACY CLARK

Sworn to before me
this 23rd day of May, 2007



Notary Public

MIGUEL A. ROSA
Notary Public, State of New York
No. 43-4771951, Qualified in Kings County
Certificate Filed in New York County
Commission Expires Nov. 30, 2012

ATTACHMENT G

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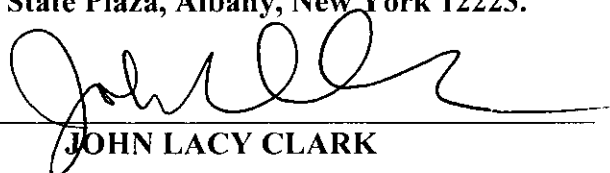
AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

**STATE OF NEW YORK)
)
COUNTY OF NEW YORK) ss.:**


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

I certify that a notice with the following text will be published on May 24, 2007 in Newsday. Newsday is a newspaper of general circulation in the Village of New Hyde Park. 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 New Hyde Park, 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 23rd day of May, 2007**


Notary Public
MIGUEL A. ROSA
Notary Public, State of New York
No. 43-4771951, Qualified in Kings County
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Commission Expires Nov. 30, 2012

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 New Hyde Park, 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.

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.”¹

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 agricultural districts was obtained from 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.

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.

THIS AREA FOR LEAD AGENCY USE ONLY

DETERMINATION OF SIGNIFICANCE -- Type 1 and Unlisted Actions

Identify the Portions of EAF completed for this project:

☐ Part 1

☐ Part 2

☐ Part 3

Upon review of the information recorded on this EAF (Parts 1 and 2 and 3 if appropriate), and any other supporting information, and considering both the magnitude and importance of each impact, it is reasonably determined by the lead agency that:

- ☐ A. The project will not result in any large and important impact(s) and, therefore, is one which **will not** have a significant impact on the environment, therefore a **negative declaration will be prepared**.
- ☐ B. Although the project could have a significant effect on the environment, there will not be a significant effect for this Unlisted Action because the mitigation measures described in PART 3 have been required, therefore a **CONDITIONED negative declaration will be prepared.***
- ☐ C. The project may result in one or more large and important impacts that may have a significant impact on the environment, therefore a **positive declaration will be prepared**.

*A Conditioned Negative Declaration is only valid for Unlisted Actions

Name of Action

Name of Lead Agency

Print or Type Name of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency

Title of Responsible Officer

Signature of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency

Signature of Preparer (If different from responsible officer)

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 New Hyde Park, 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 awarded 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.

1. Present Land Use: ☐ Urban ☐ Industrial ☒ Commercial ☒ Residential (suburban) ☐ Rural (non-farm)
☐ Forest ☐ 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 FFTP facilities constructed in the franchise area to date have an approximate length of 27 miles. The width of the right-of-way varies by location, and Verizon cannot readily determine at this time the average width (and therefore the area) of the right-of-way used by Verizon.

2. Total acreage of project area: _____ acres.*

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE

Meadow or Brushland (Non-agricultural)	_____ acres	_____ 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

3. What is predominant soil type(s) on project site? N/A

- a. Soil drainage: ☐ Well drained _____ % of site ☐ Moderately well drained _____ % of site.
☐ Poorly drained _____ % of site

- b. 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).

4. Are there bedrock outcroppings on project site? ☐ Yes ☐ No N/A

- a. What is depth to bedrock _____ (in feet)

5. Approximate percentage of proposed project site with slopes: N/A

☐ 0-10% _____ % ☐ 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 ☒ No

7. Is project substantially contiguous to a site listed on the Register of National Natural Landmarks? ☐ Yes ☒ No

8. What is the depth of the water table? _____ (in feet) N/A

9. Is site located over a primary, principal, or sole source aquifer? ☒ Yes ☐ No

10. Do hunting, fishing or shell fishing opportunities presently exist in the project area? ☐ Yes ☐ No N/A

11. Does project site contain any species of plant or animal life that is identified as threatened or endangered? ☐ Yes ☐ No N/A

According to:

Identify each species:

12. Are there any unique or unusual land forms on the project site? (i.e., cliffs, dunes, other geological formations?)

☐ Yes ☐ No N/A

Describe:

13. Is the project site presently used by the community or neighborhood as an open space or recreation area?

☐ Yes ☐ No N/A

If yes, explain:

14. Does the present site include scenic views known to be important to the community? ☐ Yes ☐ No N/A

15. Streams within or contiguous to project area: N/A

a. Name of Stream and name of River to which it is tributary

16. Lakes, ponds, wetland areas within or contiguous to project area: See Addendum.

b. Size (in acres):

17. Is the site served by existing public utilities? ☒ Yes ☐ No
- a. If **YES**, does sufficient capacity exist to allow connection? ☒ Yes ☐ No
- b. If **YES**, will improvements be necessary to allow connection? ☐ Yes ☒ No
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. Has the site ever been used for the disposal of solid or hazardous wastes? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A

B. 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 ☒ N/A
- a. If yes, for what intended purpose is the site being reclaimed?
-
- b. Will topsoil be stockpiled for reclamation? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- c. Will upper subsoil be stockpiled for reclamation? ☐ Yes ☐ No
4. How many acres of vegetation (trees, shrubs, ground covers) will be removed from site? _____ acres. N/A

5. Will any mature forest (over 100 years old) or other locally-important vegetation be removed by this project?

☐ Yes ☒ No

6. If single phase project: Anticipated period of construction: _____ months, (including demolition) *

7. If multi-phased: N/A

a. Total number of phases anticipated _____ (number)

b. Anticipated date of commencement phase 1: _____ month _____ year, (including demolition)

c. Approximate completion date of final phase: _____ month _____ year.

d. Is phase 1 functionally dependent on subsequent phases? ☐ Yes ☐ No

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. Is surface liquid waste disposal involved? ☐ Yes ☒ No

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:

15. Is project or any portion of project located in a 100 year flood plain? ☐ Yes ☒ No

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

* Although it is Verizon's position that any further FFTP construction activity in the franchise area is being undertaken pursuant to independent authority, rather than pursuant to the franchise, Verizon expects to complete its build out as required by the franchise.

e. If yes, explain:

17. Will the project involve the disposal of solid waste? ☐ Yes ☒ No

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 ☒ No

19. Will project routinely produce odors (more than one hour per day)? ☐ Yes ☒ No

20. Will project produce operating noise exceeding the local ambient noise levels? ☐ Yes ☒ No

21. 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 N/A gallons/minute.

23. Total anticipated water usage per day N/A gallons/day.

24. Does project involve Local, State or Federal funding? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, explain:

25. Approvals Required:

		Type	Submittal Date
City, Town, Village Board	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<u>Village of New Hyde Park</u>	<u> </u>
		<u>Award Franchise</u>	<u>5/15/07*</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>
		* Franchise was awarded on this date.	
City, Town, Village Planning Board	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>
City, Town Zoning Board	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
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City, County Health Department	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Other Local Agencies	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Other Regional Agencies	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>
State Agencies	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<u>Public Service Commission</u>	<u> </u>
		<u>Confirmation</u>	<u>5/23/07</u>
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Federal Agencies	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>
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C. Zoning and Planning Information

1. Does proposed action involve a planning or zoning decision? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, indicate decision required:

- | | | | |
|---|---|--|--------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Zoning amendment | <input type="checkbox"/> Zoning variance | <input type="checkbox"/> New/revision of master plan | <input type="checkbox"/> Subdivision |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Site plan | <input type="checkbox"/> Special use permit | <input type="checkbox"/> Resource management plan | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |

2. What is the zoning classification(s) of the site? N/A

3. What is the maximum potential development of the site if developed as permitted by the present zoning? N/A

4. 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

6. Is the proposed action consistent with the recommended uses in adopted local land use plans? ☐ Yes ☐ No N/A

7. What are the predominant land use(s) and zoning classifications within a ¼ mile radius of proposed action? N/A

8. Is the proposed action compatible with adjoining/surrounding land uses with a ¼ mile? ☐ Yes ☐ No N/A

9. 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? ☐ Yes ☐ No

12. Will the proposed action result in the generation of traffic significantly above present levels? ☐ Yes ☒ No

a. If yes, is the existing road network adequate to handle the additional traffic. ☐ Yes ☐ No

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.

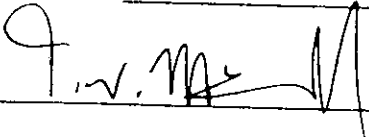
E. Verification

I certify that the information provided above is true to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant/Sponsor Name Verizon New York Inc.

Date 05/23/07

Signature



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.
- ! 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.

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Small to Moderate Impact	Potential Large Impact	Can Impact Be Mitigated by Project Change

Impact on Land

1. Will the Proposed Action result in a physical change to the project site?

NO ☐ YES ☐

Examples that would apply to column 2

- | | | | | |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| • 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%. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Construction on land where the depth to the water table is less than 3 feet. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Construction of paved parking area for 1,000 or more vehicles. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Construction on land where bedrock is exposed or generally within 3 feet of existing ground surface. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Construction that will continue for more than 1 year or involve more than one phase or stage. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Excavation for mining purposes that would remove more than 1,000 tons of natural material (i.e., rock or soil) per year. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |

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|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| • Construction or expansion of a sanitary landfill. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Construction in a designated floodway. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Other impacts: | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 40px; width: 100%;"></div> | | | |

2. Will there be an effect to any unique or unusual land forms found on the site? (i.e., cliffs, dunes, geological formations, etc.)

☐ NO ☐ YES

- | | | | |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| • Specific land forms: | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 40px; width: 100%;"></div> | | | |

Impact on Water

3. 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. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Dredging more than 100 cubic yards of material from channel of a protected stream. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Extension of utility distribution facilities through a protected water body. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Construction in a designated freshwater or tidal wetland. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Other impacts: | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |

4. Will Proposed Action affect any non-protected existing or new body of water?

☐ NO ☐ YES

Examples 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. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Construction of a body of water that exceeds 10 acres of surface area. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Other impacts: | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |

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Small to Moderate Impact	Potential Large Impact	Can Impact Be Mitigated by Project Change

5. Will Proposed Action affect surface or groundwater quality or quantity?

☐ NO ☐ YES

Examples that would apply to column 2

- | | | | |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| • Proposed Action will require a discharge permit. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Proposed Action requires use of a source of water that does not have approval to serve proposed (project) action. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Proposed Action requires water supply from wells with greater than 45 gallons per minute pumping capacity. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Construction or operation causing any contamination of a water supply system. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Proposed Action will adversely affect groundwater. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Liquid effluent will be conveyed off the site to facilities which presently do not exist or have inadequate capacity. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Proposed Action would use water in excess of 20,000 gallons per day. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • 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. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Proposed Action will require the storage of petroleum or chemical products greater than 1,100 gallons. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Proposed Action will allow residential uses in areas without water and/or sewer services. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Proposed Action locates commercial and/or industrial uses which may require new or expansion of existing waste treatment and/or storage facilities. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Other impacts: | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |

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Small to Moderate Impact	Potential Large Impact	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 | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Proposed Action may cause substantial erosion. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Proposed Action is incompatible with existing drainage patterns. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Proposed Action will allow development in a designated floodway. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Other impacts: | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |

IMPACT ON AIR

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. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Proposed Action will result in the incineration of more than 1 ton of refuse per hour. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> 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. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Proposed Action will allow an increase in the amount of land committed to industrial use. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Proposed Action will allow an increase in the density of industrial development within existing industrial areas. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Other impacts: | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |

IMPACT ON PLANTS AND ANIMALS

8. Will Proposed Action affect any threatened or endangered species?

☐ NO ☐ YES

Examples that would apply to column 2

- | | | | | |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| • 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. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|

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• Removal of any portion of a critical or significant wildlife habitat.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
• Application of pesticide or herbicide more than twice a year, other than for agricultural purposes.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
• Other impacts:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 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.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
• Proposed Action requires the removal of more than 10 acres of mature forest (over 100 years of age) or other locally important vegetation.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
• Other impacts:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 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.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
• Construction activity would excavate or compact the soil profile of agricultural land.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 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.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

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• 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).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
• Other impacts:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

IMPACT ON AESTHETIC RESOURCES

11. Will Proposed Action affect aesthetic resources? (If necessary, use the Visual EAF Addendum in Section 617.20, Appendix B.)

☐ NO ☐ YES

Examples that would apply to column 2

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|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| • Proposed land uses, or project components obviously different from or in sharp contrast to current surrounding land use patterns, whether man-made or natural. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 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. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Project components that will result in the elimination or significant screening of scenic views known to be important to the area. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Other impacts: | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |

IMPACT ON HISTORIC AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL RESOURCES

12. Will Proposed Action impact any site or structure of historic, prehistoric or paleontological importance?

☐ NO ☐ YES

Examples that would apply to column 2

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|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| • 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. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Any impact to an archaeological site or fossil bed located within the project site. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Proposed Action will occur in an area designated as sensitive for archaeological sites on the NYS Site Inventory. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |

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• Other impacts:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

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

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|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| • The permanent foreclosure of a future recreational opportunity. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • A major reduction of an open space important to the community. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Other impacts: | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |

IMPACT ON CRITICAL ENVIRONMENTAL AREAS

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

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|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| • Proposed Action to locate within the CEA? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Proposed Action will result in a reduction in the quantity of the resource? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Proposed Action will result in a reduction in the quality of the resource? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Proposed Action will impact the use, function or enjoyment of the resource? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Other impacts: | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |

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IMPACT ON TRANSPORTATION

15. Will there be an effect to existing transportation systems?

☐ NO ☐ YES

Examples that would apply to column 2

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|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| • Alteration of present patterns of movement of people and/or goods. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Proposed Action will result in major traffic problems. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Other impacts: | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |

IMPACT ON ENERGY

16. Will Proposed Action affect the community's sources of fuel or energy supply?

☐ NO ☐ YES

Examples that would apply to column 2

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|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| • Proposed Action will cause a greater than 5% increase in the use of any form of energy in the municipality. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 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. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Other impacts: | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |

NOISE AND ODOR IMPACT

17. Will there be objectionable odors, noise, or vibration as a result of the Proposed Action?

☐ NO ☐ YES

Examples that would apply to column 2

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|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| • Blasting within 1,500 feet of a hospital, school or other sensitive facility. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Odors will occur routinely (more than one hour per day). | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Proposed Action will produce operating noise exceeding the local ambient noise levels for noise outside of structures. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Proposed Action will remove natural barriers that would act as a noise screen. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Other impacts: | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |

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IMPACT ON PUBLIC HEALTH

18. Will Proposed Action affect public health and safety?

☐ NO ☐ YES

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| • 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. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Proposed Action may result in the burial of "hazardous wastes" in any form (i.e. toxic, poisonous, highly reactive, radioactive, irritating, infectious, etc.) | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Storage facilities for one million or more gallons of liquefied natural gas or other flammable liquids. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 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. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Other impacts: | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |

IMPACT ON GROWTH AND CHARACTER OF COMMUNITY OR NEIGHBORHOOD

19. Will Proposed Action affect the character of the existing community?

☐ NO ☐ YES

Examples that would apply to column 2

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|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| • The permanent population of the city, town or village in which the project is located is likely to grow by more than 5%. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • The municipal budget for capital expenditures or operating services will increase by more than 5% per year as a result of this project. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Proposed Action will conflict with officially adopted plans or goals. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Proposed Action will cause a change in the density of land use. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Proposed Action will replace or eliminate existing facilities, structures or areas of historic importance to the community. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Development will create a demand for additional community services (e.g. schools, police and fire, etc.) | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |

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| • Proposed Action will set an important precedent for future projects. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Proposed Action will create or eliminate employment. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Other impacts: | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |

20. Is there, or is there likely to be, public controversy related to potential adverse environment impacts?

☐ NO ☐ YES

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 NEW HYDE PARK (NASSAU COUNTY), NEW YORK**

Setting

The Village of New Hyde Park is located in both the Town of Hempstead and the Town of North Hempstead in Nassau County. As of the 2000 Census, the Village had a population of 9,523 within a total area of 0.84 square miles.

The Village is (1) not within an agricultural district, (2) not in or substantially contiguous to a Critical Environmental Area, and (3) not substantially contiguous to a National Natural Landmark. There are no historic sites, historic districts, or national historic landmarks in the Village. 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 is located above an aquifer. The Village is not within a coastal area. The Village has no designated wetlands areas and no 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.

One map has been included with this addendum. The map shows the franchise 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 New Hyde Park 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 85% 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 3,258 households within the Village of New Hyde Park that could potentially be served with fiber drops.¹ 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.



Service Area Map For the Village of New Hyde Park, New York

Queens County

Nassau County

 LFA Boundary

Wetlands, Lakes and Ponds

-  Estuarine and Marine Deepwater
-  Estuarine and Marine Wetland
-  Freshwater Emergent Wetland
-  Freshwater Forested/Shrub Wetland
-  Freshwater Pond
-  Lake
-  Other
-  Riverine

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