



**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND CABLE**

D.T.C. 15-4

July 27, 2016

Petition of Charter Communications to establish and adjust the basic service tier programming, equipment, and installation rates for the communities in Massachusetts served by Charter Communications that are subject to rate regulation.

**FIRST SET OF INFORMATION REQUESTS
OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND CABLE
TO CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS**

Pursuant to 801 C.M.R. § 1.01(8)(g), the Department of Telecommunications and Cable (“Department”) submits to Charter Communications (“Charter”) the following information requests:

Instructions

1. Each request should be answered in writing on a separate page with a recitation of the request, a reference to the request number, the docket number of the case, and the name of the person responsible for the answer.
2. Do not wait for all answers to be completed before supplying answers. Provide the answers as they are completed.
3. These requests shall be deemed continuing so as to require supplemental responses if Charter or its witness receives or generates additional information within the scope of these requests between the time of the original response and the close of the record in this proceeding.
4. The term “provide complete and detailed documentation” means:

Provide all data, assumptions, and calculations relied upon. Provide the source of and basis for all data and assumptions employed. Include all studies, reports, and planning documents from which data, estimates, or assumptions were drawn and support for how the data or assumptions were used in developing the projections or estimates. Provide and explain all supporting workpapers.
5. The term “document” is used in its broadest sense and includes, without limitation, writings, drawings, graphs, charts, photographs, phono-records, microfilm, microfiche, computer printouts, correspondence, press releases, handwritten and/or typed notes,

records, reports, bills, checks, articles from journals and/or other sources, emails, SMS text messages, blog postings, RSS feeds, web pages, social media postings such as Facebook and Twitter, and/or other data compilations from which information can be obtained and all copies of such documents that bear notations or other markings that differentiate such copies from the original.

6. If any one of these requests is ambiguous, notify the Department so that the request may be clarified prior to the preparation of a written response.
7. File an original and three copies of the responses with Sara Clark, Secretary of the Department, not later than the close of business on **August 17, 2016**.

Requests

- D.T.C. 1-1 Please revise Worksheet 1 of Charter's Forms 1240 to reflect the correct inflation factor for Q4 2014, and revise the average inflation factor (Line 113) accordingly.
- D.T.C. 1-2 Please explain why Charter's answers to questions 1, 2, and 7 on page one of its Forms 1240 are different than Charter's answers to these questions in previous years.
- D.T.C. 1-3 Please explain why the Current Rate listed on Form 1240 Filing – Additional Information and Attachments does not match the Projected Rate listed on last year's Form 1240 Filing – Additional Information and Attachments.
- D.T.C. 1-4 Please explain Charter's treatment of the addition and removal of duplicate channels on Worksheet 3. Using Belchertown as an example, please include in the explanation a reconciliation of the duplicate channel additions and removals as listed on Form 1240 Filing – Additional Information and Attachments and as captured on Worksheet 3 for the True-Up Period.
- D.T.C. 1-5 Please explain why Charter filed an amended Form 1205 on December 29, 2015, and describe any material changes in the amended filing.
- D.T.C. 1-6 Referring to Schedule C of Charter's Form 1205, please explain why the "Annual Capital Costs" and the "Total # of Units in Service" for Remote 1 are zero.
- D.T.C. 1-7 Referring to Schedule C of Charter's Form 1205, please explain the increase in "Deferred Taxes" for Converter 2 as compared to last year's Form 1205.
- D.T.C. 1-8 Referring to Schedule C of Charter's Form 1205, please explain the increase in the "Total # of Units in Service" for Converter 3 as compared to last year's Form 1205.
- D.T.C. 1-9 Referring to Schedule C of Charter's Form 1205, please describe the new category of equipment labeled "Digital Interface Device."