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NOTICE

With this Notice, the Department of Telecommunications and Cable ("Department") amends a filing requirement for telecommunications carriers' calendar year 2021 annual returns. The filing deadline for these annual returns is **March 31, 2022**.

The Department requires the signature of a carrier's Treasurer and Chief Accounting Officer, or their equivalent(s), on each annual return. *See* G.L. c. 166, § 11. After waiving this requirement in recent years due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Department hereby reinstates this requirement beginning with carriers' 2021 annual returns. Electronic signatures are sufficient.

When the signatures of these individuals are affixed outside of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the Department has typically required that the filing be sworn to, in person, as attested to by a Notary Public. The Department will no longer require that signatures on annual returns, including out-of-state signatures, be sworn to in person, as attested to by a Notary Public.

If you have any questions regarding this Notice, please contact Department Secretary Shonda Green at 617-305-3580.