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Via Electronic Mail

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Dear Assistant Attorney General Sutliff:

The Department of Telecommunications and Cable ("Department") requests the assistance of the Office of the Attorney General ("OAG") in enforcing the enclosed Final Order that the Department issued on June 16, 2025. The Department has found one telecommunications carrier to be in violation of the statutory requirement to file an annual return with the Department. *See* G.L. c. 159, § 32; G.L. c. 166, § 11. The Department has imposed statutory forfeitures against the carrier totaling \$22,640 as of April 30, 2025. *See* G.L. c. 166, § 12.

The Commonwealth requires telecommunications carriers to file annual returns with the Department for each calendar year. G.L. c. 159, § 32; G.L. c. 166, § 11. If a carrier "doing business in the [C]ommonwealth" fails to file an annual return by March 31 or at a later date fixed for good cause by the Department, the carrier is subject to statutory forfeitures. G.L. c. 166, §§ 11, 12. Upon finding that a carrier has failed to file an annual return, the Department is required by statute to refer the matter to the OAG for enforcement. *See* G.L. c. 159, § 39.

On October 30, 2024, the Department opened an investigation into 12 carriers' failure to file annual returns for calendar year 2020. As a result of its investigation, the Department made adverse findings against one carrier named in Appendix Two to the enclosed Final Order. The Department determined that this carrier failed to file its annual return for the specified calendar year in which it was doing business in the Commonwealth. The Department now refers its findings against this carrier to the OAG for enforcement in accordance with G.L. c. 159, § 39.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions regarding this referral or need any additional information, please contact me at William.Bendetson@mass.gov or (857) 408-5175.

Sincerely,

/s/ William Bendetson
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