CABLE TELEVISION RENEWAL LICENSE

GRANTED TO VERIZON NEW ENGLAND INC.

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BOARD OF SELECTMEN TOWN OF HOLBROOK, MASSACHUSETTS

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THIS CABLE TELEVISION RENEWAL LICENSE ("License") is entered into by and between the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Holbrook, (the "Town"), as Issuing Authority for the grant of cable television license(s) pursuant to the Massachusetts Cable Law, and Verizon New England Inc., a corporation duly organized under the applicable laws of the State of New York (the "Licensee").

WHEREAS, the Issuing Authority is a "franchising authority" in accordance with Title VI (as hereinafter defined) (see 47 U.S.C. § 522(10)) and is authorized to grant one or more nonexclusive cable licenses pursuant to the Massachusetts Cable Law;

WHEREAS, the Issuing Authority granted to Licensee effective as of December 14, 2010, a nonexclusive Final License to install, maintain, extend, and operate a Cable System in the Town for a term of ten (10) years (the "Final License");

WHEREAS, the Licensee has operated a Cable System in accordance with the Final License as of the effective date on its existing Telecommunications Facilities consisting of a Fiber to the Premises Telecommunications Network ("FTTP Network") in the Town which also transmits Non-Cable Services pursuant to authority granted by M.G.L. c. 166 and Title II, which Non-Cable Services are not subject to the Massachusetts Cable Law or Title VI;

WHEREAS, pursuant to and in accordance with applicable federal and State law, the Issuing Authority undertook a process to determine whether it should renew the Final License and the terms for such a renewal, including the holding of a public ascertainment hearing on September 21, 2020;

WHEREAS, the Issuing Authority has examined the past performance of Licensee and has determined that Licensee is and has been in material compliance with the Final License and applicable law;

WHEREAS, pursuant to and in accordance with applicable federal and State law, the Licensee submitted to the Issuing Authority a proposal to renew the Final License to operate a Cable System in the Town; and

WHEREAS, following good faith negotiations between the parties, the Issuing Authority and Licensee have agreed on the terms for a renewal Licensee under which Licensee will continue to operate its Cable System in the Town.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the Issuing Authority's grant of a renewal License to Licensee, Licensee's promise to continue providing Cable Service to residents of the Town pursuant to the terms and conditions set forth herein, and for 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 Communications Act are incorporated herein and shall apply in this License. In addition, the following definitions shall apply:

- 1.1. Access Channel: A video Channel, which the Licensee shall make available to the Town and/or its PEG Access Designee without charge for non-commercial public, educational, or governmental use for the transmission of Video Programming as directed by the Town and/or its PEG Access Designee in accordance with the terms of this License.
- 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 Licensee.
- 1.3. Basic Service: Any service tier which includes the retransmission of local television broadcast signals as well as the PEG Access Channels required by this License.
- 1.4. Cable Division: The Cable Television Division of the Massachusetts Department of Telecommunications and Cable.
- 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).
- Section 602(7) of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. § 522(7), meaning a facility, consisting of a set of closed transmission paths and associated signal generation, reception, and control equipment that is designed to provide Cable Service, which includes video programming, and which is provided to multiple Subscribers within the Town, but such term does not include (A) a facility that serves only to retransmit the television signals of one or more television broadcast stations; (B) a facility that serves subscribers without using any public right-of-way; (C) a facility of a common carrier which is subject, in whole or in part, to the provisions of Title II of the Communications Act, except that such facility shall be considered a cable system (other than for purposes of Section 621(c) of the Communications Act) to the extent such facility is used in the transmission of video programming directly to subscribers unless the extent of such use is solely to provide interactive on-demand services; (D) an open video system that complies with Section 653 of the Communications Act; or (E) any facilities of any electric utility used solely for operating its electric utility systems.
- 1.7. Channel: Shall be defined herein as it is defined under Section 602 of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. § 522(4).
 - 1.8. *CMR*: The Code of Massachusetts Regulations.
 - 1.9. Communications Act: The Communications Act of 1934, as amended.
- 1.10. Control: The ability to exercise de facto or de jure control over day-to-day policies and operations or the management of Licensee's affairs.

- 1.11. Educational Access Channel: An Access Channel available for the non-commercial use of the local public schools in the Town, as well as its PEG Access Designee, as determined by the Issuing Authority.
- 1.12. FCC: The United States Federal Communications Commission, or successor governmental entity thereto.
- 1.13. Force Majeure: An event or events reasonably beyond the ability of a party to anticipate and control. This includes, but is not limited to, severe or unusual weather conditions, strikes, labor disturbances, lockouts, war or act of war (whether an actual declaration of war is made or not), insurrection, riots, act of public enemy, epidemics, accidents for which a party is not primarily responsible, fire, flood, or other acts of God, or with respect to Licensee's obligations hereunder, actions or inactions of any government instrumentality or public utility including condemnation, work delays caused by waiting for utility providers to service or monitor utility poles to which Licensee's FTTP Network is attached, and unavailability of materials and/or qualified labor to perform the work necessary.
- 1.14. FTTP Network: Shall have the meaning set forth in the recitals of this License.
- 1.15. Government Access Channel: An Access Channel made available by the Licensee for use of the Issuing Authority and/or its PEG Access Designee as determined by the Issuing Authority to present non-commercial governmental or government-related programming.
- 1.16. Gross Revenue: All revenue, as determined in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"), which is derived by Licensee and/or its Affiliates from the operation of the Cable System to provide Cable Service in the Town, including without limitation the following items: subscriber fees, charges and payments collected from Subscribers for Cable Services (including, but not limited to, basic and premium Cable Services and pay-perview Cable Service); installation, reconnection, change of service and similar charges; revenues received from rentals or sales to Subscribers of converters, remote controls and other Subscriber equipment used to provide Cable Service over the Cable System; additional outlet fees; fees from third parties for leased access programming; revenues that Licensee receives from home shopping channels for the use of the Cable System to sell merchandise as prorated to include such revenue attributable to the Cable System in the Town based on the number of Subscribers; and advertising revenues (after deducting sales commissions) as prorated to include such revenue attributable to the Cable System in the Town based on the number of Subscribers, calculated in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles; provided, however, that Gross Revenue shall not include:
- 1.16.1. All fees imposed on Licensee by this License and applicable law that are passed through and paid by Subscribers (including the License Fee and PEG Access Support);
- 1.16.2. Revenues received by any Affiliate in exchange for supplying goods or services used by Licensee to provide Cable Service over the Cable System, except to the extent

that such revenues are derived from the operation of the Cable System to provide Cable Service in the Town;

- 1.16.3. Bad debts written off by Licensee in the normal course of its business, provided, however, that bad debt recoveries shall be included in Gross Revenue during the period collected;
- 1.16.4. Refunds, rebates or discounts made to Subscribers or other third parties;
- 1.16.5. Any revenues classified as Non-Cable Services revenue under federal or State law including, without limitation, revenues received from Telecommunications Services; revenues received from Information Services, including, without limitation, Internet Access Service, electronic mail service, electronic bulletin board service, or similar online computer services;
- 1.16.6. Any revenues of the Licensee or any other Person which is received directly from the sale of merchandise through any Cable Service distributed over the Cable System, not including 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, which portion shall be included in Gross Revenue;
- 1.16.7. Revenues from the sale of Cable Services on the Cable System to a reseller, when the reseller is required to pay (and does pay) cable license fees to the Town on the resale of the Cable Services;
- 1.16.8. The sale of Cable Services to customers which are exempt from being charged for Cable Service pursuant to the Massachusetts Cable Law, including, without limitation, the provision of Cable Services to public institutions pursuant to the Massachusetts Cable Law or as required or permitted herein;
- 1.16.9. Any tax of general applicability imposed by a Town, State, federal or any other governmental entity and required to be collected from Subscribers by Licensee and remitted to the taxing entity (including, but not limited to, taxes in the nature of a sales/use tax,, communication taxes and non-cable license fees);
- 1.16.10. Any revenue foregone as a result of Licensee's provision of free or reduced cost cable or other communications services to any Person, including without limitation, employees of Licensee and public institutions or other institutions as required or permitted herein and to other customers which are exempt, as designated in this License; provided, however, that such foregone revenue which Licensee chooses not to receive in exchange for trades, barters, services or other items of value shall be included in Gross Revenue;
- 1.16.11. Revenues from the sales of capital assets or sales of surplus equipment (provided that this exclusion shall not include sales to Subscribers of converters, remote controls and other Subscriber equipment for the provision of Cable Service over the Cable System);

- 1.16.12. Program launch fees;
- 1.16.13. Directory or Internet advertising revenue including, but not limited to, yellow page, white page, banner advertisement and electronic publishing; and
- 1.16.14. Any fees or charges collected from Subscribers or other third parties for any PEG grant.
- 1.17. High-Definition (HD) PEG Access Channel: A PEG Access Channel in the high definition display format for digital television transmissions with video transmitted in a 16:9 aspect ratio with a resolution of 720p or such higher resolution as determined by the Licensee in its sole discretion.
- 1.18. Information Services: Shall be defined herein as it is defined under Section 3 of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. § 153(24).
- 1.19. *Internet Access Service*: Dial-up or broadband access service that enables Subscribers to access the Internet.
 - 1.20. Issuing Authority: The Board of Selectmen of the Town of Holbrook.
- 1.21. License Fee: The payments to be made by the Licensee to the Town, which shall have the meaning as set forth in Section 9 of the Massachusetts Cable Law.
- 1.22. *Licensee*: Verizon New England Inc., and its lawful and permitted successors, assigns and transferees.
- 1.23. Massachusetts Cable Law: Chapter 166A of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the regulations thereunder.
- 1.24. Non-Cable Services: Any service that does not constitute Cable Service(s) as defined herein over the FTTP Network in the Town, including, but not limited to, Information Services and Telecommunications Services.
- 1.25. Normal Business Hours: Those hours during which Licensee's retail locations 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.
- 1.26. Normal Operating Conditions: Those service conditions which are within the control of the Licensee. Those conditions which are not within the control of the Licensee include, but are not limited to, natural disasters, civil disturbances, power outages, telephone network outages, and severe or unusual weather conditions. Those conditions which are within the control of the Licensee include, but are not limited to, special promotions, pay-per-view events, rate increases, regular peak or seasonal demand periods, and maintenance or rebuild of the Cable System. See 47 C.F.R. § 76.309(c)(4)(ii).
 - 1.27. *PEG*: Public, educational, and governmental.

- 1.28. PEG Access Channel: An Access Channel made available to the Issuing Authority and/or the PEG Access Designee for PEG Access Programming pursuant to the terms of this License, and managed by the Issuing Authority and/or its PEG Access Designee as determined by the Issuing Authority.
- 1.29. *PEG Access Designee*: Any entity designated by the Issuing Authority for the purpose of owning and/or operating the equipment and facilities used in the production and/or broadcast of PEG Access Channel programming for the Issuing Authority, including but not limited to, any Access Corporation.
- 1.30. PEG Access Programming: Non-commercial Video Programming transmitted on the PEG Access Channel(s) pursuant to the terms of this License and applicable laws.
- 1.31. *Person*: An individual, partnership, association, joint stock company, trust, corporation, or governmental entity.
- 1.32. Public Access Channel: An Access Channel available for the non-commercial use by the residents in the Town, in accordance with 47 U.S.C. § 531 and the terms of this License.
- 1.33. 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 compatible public utility easements or any other easements or rights of way dedicated for compatible uses, and public lands used as Public Rights-of-Way with compatible uses, as the same now or may thereafter exist, which are under the jurisdiction or control of the Town. 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. Reference herein to a "Public Rights-of-Way" shall not be construed to be a representation or guarantee by the Town that its property rights are sufficient to permit its use for any purpose, or that the Licensee shall gain or be permitted to exercise any rights to use property in the Town greater than those already possessed and authorized by the Town.
 - 1.34. Service Area: The entire existing territorial limits of the Town.
- 1.35. Standard Definition ("SD") PEG Access Channel: A PEG Access Channel in the standard definition display format for digital television transmissions with video transmitted in a 4:3 aspect ratio with a resolution of 480i or such higher resolution as determined by the Licensee in its sole discretion.
 - 1.36. State: The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.
- 1.37. *Subscriber*: A Person who lawfully receives Cable Service over the Cable System with the Licensee's express permission.
- 1.38. *Telecommunications Facilities*: The Licensee's existing Telecommunications Services and Information Services facilities, including the FTTP Network.

- 1.39. Telecommunication Services: Shall be defined herein as it is defined under Section 3 of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. § 153(53).
 - 1.40. Title II: Title II of the Communications Act.
 - 1.41. Title VI: Title VI of the Communications Act.
 - 1.42. *Town*: The Town of Holbrook.
 - 1.43. Transfer of this License:
 - 1.43.2. Any transaction in which:
- 1.43.1.1. an ownership or other interest in Licensee is transferred, directly or indirectly, from one Person or group of Persons to another Person or group of Persons, so that Control of Licensee is transferred; or
- 1.43.1.2. the rights held by Licensee under this License are transferred or assigned to another Person or group of Persons.
- 1.43.3. However, notwithstanding Sections 1.43.1.1 and 1.43.1.2 above, a Transfer of this License shall not include transfer of an ownership or other interest in Licensee to the parent of Licensee or to another Affiliate of Licensee; transfer of an interest in this License or the rights held by the Licensee under the License to the parent of Licensee or to another Affiliate of Licensee; any action which is the result of a merger of the parent of the Licensee; or any action which is the result of a merger of another Affiliate of the Licensee, except to the extent that any of the foregoing are determined to be a transfer of control pursuant to 207 CMR 4.01, in which case such transaction shall be subject to the Cable Division's transfer regulations (207 CMR 4.00, et. seq.).
- 1.44. Video Programming or Programming: Shall be defined herein as it is defined under Section 602 of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. § 522(20).
- 1.45. Video Service Provider or VSP: Any entity using any portion of the Public Rights-of-Way to provide Video Programming services to multiple subscribers within the territorial boundaries of the Town, for purchase, barter, or free of charge, regardless of the transmission method, facilities or technologies used. A VSP shall include, but is not limited to, any entity using any portion of the Public Rights-of-Way that provides Cable Services, multichannel multipoint distribution services, broadcast satellite services, satellite delivered services, wireless services, and internet-protocol based services within the territorial boundaries of the Town.

2. GRANT OF AUTHORITY; LIMITS AND RESERVATIONS

2.1. Grant of Authority: Subject to the terms and conditions of this License and the Massachusetts Cable Law, the Issuing Authority hereby grants the Licensee the right to own, operate and maintain a Cable System in, over and along the Public Rights-of-Way within the Town and subsequent additions thereto, 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 License. This License grants no authority for the Licensee to use the Public-Rights-of-Way within the Town for any purpose other than as provided herein. However, nothing in this License shall be construed to prohibit or limit the Licensee from offering any service over the Cable System that is not prohibited by federal or State law provided that any requirements for Town authorization or permitting not inconsistent with federal and State law are satisfied. The Licensee's FTTP Network in the Public Rights-of-Way is subject to M.G.L. c. 166, s. 22, and as such is subject to regulation by the Town consistent with that law, including all lawful and applicable Town bylaws and regulations regarding rights-of-way and public works matters, including rights-of-way management requirements with regard to public safety and other legitimate municipal concerns. To the extent that grants of location may be required for the ownership, operation and maintenance of the Cable System along the Public Rights-of-Way within the Town, the Town reserves the right to require that Licensee obtain grants of location and comply with such grant of location requirements.

- 2.2. Issuing Authority Does Not Regulate Telecommunications: The parties recognize that the FTTP Network is constructed, operated and maintained as an upgrade to and/or an extension of Licensee's existing Telecommunications Facilities under Title II and M.G.L. c. 166. The jurisdiction of the Town over such Telecommunications Facilities is restricted by federal and State law, and the Town does not and will not assert jurisdiction over Licensee's FTTP Network, in contravention of those limitations. The Issuing Authority's regulatory authority under Title VI does not extend to the construction, installation, maintenance or operation of the FTTP Network to the extent the FTTP Network is constructed, installed, maintained or operated for the purpose of upgrading and/or extending Verizon's existing Telecommunications Facilities for the provision of Non-Cable Services.
- 2.3. Term: The term of this License shall be for a period of five (5) years, commencing on February 23, 2021 (the "Effective Date"), and shall expire at midnight on February 22, 2026, unless sooner revoked or terminated as provided herein.
- 2.4. Termination Generally: Notwithstanding any provision herein to the contrary, following the thirtieth (30) month after the Effective Date, Licensee may terminate this License upon one hundred and eighty (180) days' written notice to the Issuing Authority.

2.5. Modification/Termination Based on VSP Requirements:

2.5.1. If the Issuing Authority enters into any cable franchise, cable license or similar agreement with a VSP to provide Video Programming services to residential subscribers in the Town with terms or conditions materially less burdensome than those imposed by this License, Licensee and the Issuing Authority shall, within sixty (60) days of the Issuing Authority's receipt of Licensee's written notice thereof, commence negotiations to modify this License to provide that this License is not on terms or conditions materially more burdensome than the terms in any such cable franchise, cable license or similar agreement. Any modification of this License pursuant to the terms of this Section shall not trigger the requirements of 207 CMR 3.07. The PEG Grant and PEG Access Support, as respectively provided in Sections 5.3 and 5.4, will not be subject to modification under this Section 2.5.1, 2.5.2 or 2.5.3.

- 2.5.2. Licensee's notice pursuant to Section 2.5.1 shall specify the cable franchise, cable license or similar agreement and the materially less burdensome terms or conditions as set out in Section 2.5.1 above. Licensee shall respond to reasonable information requests from the Town, as may be necessary to review the same.
- 2.5.3. In the event the parties do not, subject to the procedure and criteria above, reach mutually acceptable agreement on a modification as set out above, Licensee shall in its sole discretion, have the option of exercising any of the following actions:
- (a) Commencing License renewal proceedings in accordance with 47 U.S.C. 546 with the License term being accelerated, thus being deemed to expire thirty-six (36) months from the date of Licensee's written notice to seek relief hereunder;
- (b) Terminating the License in no less than thirty-six (36) months from written notice to the Issuing Authority;
- (c) If agreed by both parties, submitting the matter to commercial arbitration by a mutually-selected arbitrator in accordance with the rules of the American Arbitration Association; or
- (d) If agreed by both parties, submitting the matter to mediation by a mutually acceptable mediator.
- 2.5.4 Modification of the PEG Grant and PEG Access Support under this License shall, as applicable, be in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in Sections 5.3 and 5.4 hereunder. As stated above, the PEG Grant and PEG Access Support are not subject to modification under Sections 2.5.1, 2.5.2 or 2.5.3.
- 2.6. Grant Not Exclusive: This License and the rights granted herein to use and occupy the Public Rights-of-Way to provide Cable Services shall not be exclusive, and the Issuing Authority reserves the right to grant other licenses 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 themselves, at any time during the term of this License. Any such rights which are granted shall not be inconsistent with the rights granted under this License or the Licensee's rights under State law with respect to its telecommunications network.
- 2.7. License Subject to Federal and State Law: Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary herein, this License is subject to and shall be governed by all applicable provisions of federal and State law as they may be amended, including but not limited to the Communications Act and the Massachusetts Cable Law.

2.8. No Waiver:

2.8.1. The failure of the Town on one or more occasions to exercise a right or to require compliance or performance under this License, the Massachusetts Cable Law or any other applicable law shall not be deemed to constitute a waiver of such right or a waiver of compliance or performance by the Town, nor to excuse Licensee from complying or performing, unless such right or such compliance or performance has been specifically waived in writing.

- 2.8.2. The failure of the Licensee on one or more occasions to exercise a right under this License or applicable law, or to require performance under this License, shall not be deemed to constitute a waiver of such right or of performance of this License, nor shall it excuse the Town from performance, unless such right or performance has been specifically waived in writing.
- 2.9. Compliance with Federal and State Privacy Laws: Licensee shall comply with the privacy provisions of Section 631 of the Communications Act and all other applicable federal and State privacy laws and regulations. The parties agree that, during the term hereof, Licensee shall not be subject to any local laws or bylaws which conflict with such applicable federal and/or State privacy laws, or which would impose additional or distinct requirements upon Licensee with respect to Subscriber privacy other than those which are expressly set forth in applicable federal and/or State privacy laws.

2.10. Construction of License:

- 2.10.2. The provisions of this License shall be liberally construed to effectuate their objectives.
- 2.10.3. Nothing herein shall be construed to limit the scope or applicability of Section 625 of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. § 545.
- 2.11. Police Powers: Nothing in this License shall be construed to prohibit the reasonable, necessary and lawful exercise of the Town's police powers, provided that the Town shall not exercise its police powers in a manner that would result in a material alteration of the terms and conditions of this License. Any such police powers exercised by the Town in contravention of the preceding sentence shall be of no effect with respect to this License.

3. PROVISION OF CABLE SERVICE

3.1. Service Area: Subject to the issuance of all necessary permits by the Town, the Licensee shall continue to offer Cable Service to all residential households in the Service Area, except: (A) for periods of Force Majeure; (B) for periods of delay caused by the Town; (C) for periods of delay resulting from Licensee's inability to obtain authority to access rights-of-way in the Town; (D) in areas where developments or buildings are subject to claimed exclusive arrangements with other providers; (E) in areas, developments, or buildings or other residential dwelling units that Licensee cannot obtain permission to access under reasonable terms and conditions after good faith negotiation, as reasonably determined by Licensee; (F) in areas, developments, buildings or other residential dwelling units where Licensee is unable to provide Cable Service for technical reasons or which require non-standard facilities which are not available on a commercially reasonable basis, including, but not limited to, circumstances where Licensee cannot access the area, development, buildings or other residential dwelling units; (G) in areas, developments, buildings or other residential dwelling units that are not habitable or where the Licensee determines, in good faith, that providing such service is not commercially reasonable; and (H) in areas where the occupied residential household density does not meet the density requirement set forth in Section 3.1.1.

- 3.1.1. Density Requirement: Subject to 3.1, Licensee shall make Cable Services available to residential dwelling units in all areas of the Town where the average density is equal to or greater than thirty (30) occupied residential dwelling units per aerial mile and sixty (60) occupied residential dwelling units per underground mile, as measured in strand footage from the nearest technically feasible point on the active FTTP Network trunk or feeder line.
- 3.2. Availability of Cable Service: The Licensee 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 the Licensee shall not discriminate between or among any individuals in the availability of Cable Service. In the areas in which the Licensee shall provide Cable Service, Licensee shall be required to connect, at Licensee's expense, all residential dwelling units that are within one hundred fifty (150) aerial feet of trunk or feeder lines not otherwise already served by the Licensee's FTTP Network. The Licensee shall be allowed to recover, from a Subscriber that requests such connection, actual costs incurred for residential dwelling unit connections that exceed one hundred fifty (150) aerial feet as well as actual costs incurred to connect any non-residential dwelling unit Subscriber subject to Licensee's prior disclosure of such costs to such Subscriber and subject to such Subscriber's prior consent to same
- 3.3. Cable Service to Public Buildings: Subject to Section 3.1 and, if requested by the Town pursuant to written notice to Licensee, Licensee shall provide one Cable Service drop, outlet and monthly Basic Service along its activated Cable System route in the Town at no cost to public schools, police and fire stations, public libraries, and other public buildings designated in writing by the Issuing Authority. All such written designations shall include the street address of each building. The current designation of such buildings and their addresses is set forth in Exhibit A. Licensee shall not be responsible for the cost of any terminal equipment (including television monitors, VCRs, DVDs, DVRs and/or computers) and shall not be responsible for any lost, stolen or damaged converters or other equipment that may be provided by Licensee. The cost of additional drops or outlets, inside wiring for said additional drops or outlets, and any converters requested by the Issuing Authority within the public buildings is the responsibility of the Town. The Issuing Authority and Licensee shall each exercise reasonable efforts to coordinate the location of municipal and public school outlets not installed as of the Effective Date.

4. <u>SYSTEM FACILITIES</u>

- 4.1. System Characteristics: The Licensee's Cable System shall meet or exceed the following requirements:
- 4.1.2. The Cable System shall be operated with an initial digital passband of between 54 and 863 MHz.
- 4.1.3. The Cable System shall be operated to be an active two-way plant for subscriber interaction, if any, required for the selection or use of Cable Service.
- 4.1.4. The System shall comply with applicable FCC technical standards, as such standards may be amended from time to time.

- 4.1.5. The System shall conform in all material respects to the following standards to the extent applicable: Occupational Safety and Health Administration regulations, the National Electrical Code and the National Electrical Safety Code.
- 4.2. *Interconnection:* The Licensee shall operate its Cable System so that it may be interconnected with other cable systems in the Town. Interconnection of systems may be made by direct cable connection, microwave link, satellite, or other appropriate methods.
- 4.3. Emergency Alert System: Licensee shall comply with the Emergency Alert System ("EAS") requirements of the FCC and applicable State and local EAS plans in order that emergency messages may be distributed over the Cable System.
- 4.4. Parental Control Capability: The Licensee shall comply with all applicable requirements of federal law governing Subscribers' capability to control the reception of any Channels being received on their television sets.
- 4.5. Stereo Transmissions; Remote Controls. The Cable System shall be capable of passing through stereo signals to Subscribers. The Licensee shall allow Subscribers to utilize remote control devices which are compatible with the converters provided by the Licensee, provided that the Licensee may charge Subscribers for the use or purchase of any such converters or remote controls.

5. PEG ACCESS SERVICES AND SUPPORT

5.1. PEG Access Channels:

- 5.1.1. The Licensee shall continue to make available to the Issuing Authority and/or the PEG Access Designee, as designated in writing by the Issuing Authority, capacity for two (2) SD PEG Access Channels on its Basic Service Tier. In accordance with Section 5.1.2 below, the Issuing Authority may also request one (1) HD PEG Access Channel for a total of three (3) PEG Access Channels.
- 5.1.2. In addition to the two (2) SD PEG Access Channels referenced above, the Licensee shall make one (1) HD PEG Access Channel available to the Town and/or the PEG Access Designee, as designed in writing by the Issuing Authority, as follows: Starting on the Effective Date of this Renewal License, the Issuing Authority may make a written request for such an HD PEG Access Channel to the Licensee. Upon receipt of the Issuing Authority's written request, the Licensee shall make such an HD PEG Access Channel available to Town or the PEG Access Designee within two hundred and seventy (270) days of the Licensee's receipt of such written notice from the Issuing Authority. The Issuing Authority shall include in the written notice a statement of whether the programming on such HD PEG Access Channel shall either be a simulcast of existing SD PEG Access Channel programming or distinct programming. The Issuing Authority or the PEG Access Designee may subsequently change the programming on the HD PEG Access Channel from an SD PEG Access Channel simulcast in HD to distinct programming, or from distinct programming to an HD simulcast of an existing SD PEG Access Channel, upon one hundred (180) days prior written notice from the Issuing Authority to the Licensee which change shall not occur more than once during the License term. To the extent

permitted by law, the Licensee shall be allowed to recover from Subscribers applicable costs incurred to transmit HD PEG Access Channel programming of any type.

- 5.1.3. All programming content for the HD PEG Access Channel shall be transmitted to Licensee in HD-SDI format with a resolution of 720p. Licensee reserves the right to reassign channel number and location for any or all of the PEG Access Channels at any time during the term of this License. The HD PEG Access Channel may not be available at all times during the term of this License on Licensee's Basic Service Tier, and in order to view the HD PEG Access Channel, a Subscriber may be required to upgrade equipment at an additional charge.
- 5.1.4. The Issuing Authority hereby authorizes Licensee to transmit such programming within and without the Service Area. The Licensee reserves the right to make or change PEG Access Channel assignments in its sole discretion. If a PEG Access Channel provided under this Article is not being utilized by the Town, Licensee may utilize such PEG Access Channel, in its sole discretion, until such time as the Town elects to utilize the PEG Access Channel for its intended purpose. In the event that the Town determines to use such PEG capacity, the Town shall provide Licensee with one hundred twenty (120) days' prior written notice of such request.

5.2. PEG Access Interconnection:

- 5.2.1. The Licensee shall continue to connect its Cable System to equipment owned by the Town and/or the PEG Access Designee at the Town's PEG Access studio located at PEG Access studio located at 245 Franklin Street, Holbrook, Massachusetts (the "PEG Interconnection Site"). The Issuing Authority or, if designated by the Issuing Authority in writing to Licensee, the Town's PEG Access Designee, shall be required to pay Licensee for all costs associated with: (i) any equipment upgrade where the need for the upgrade is initiated by the Issuing Authority or PEG Access Designee; (ii) relocating any connection where the need for relocation is initiated by the Issuing Authority or its PEG Access Designee; (iii) re-installing and/or replacing any connection at an existing location where the need for such re-installation and/or replacement is caused by the Town and initiated by the Issuing Authority or its PEG Access Designee; or (iv) installing any new connection if initiated by the Issuing Authority or its PEG Access Designee; provided, however, that Issuing Authority and/or PEG Access Designee responsibility for the foregoing costs is subject to the Issuing Authority's express written consent, and subject further to Licensee's prior disclosure of such costs and prior consent to same by the Issuing Authority or its PEG Access Designee. Any upgrade or change referenced in subsections (i) through (iv) above required in order for PEG Access Channel cablecasting or PEG Access Channel programming as provided to Subscribers to meet a requirement of applicable law or regulation, or in order to remedy a defect in equipment or facilities Licensee is responsible for pursuant to this License, including with respect to video or audio quality, shall not be deemed to be "initiated" by the Issuing Authority or its PEG Access Designee.
- 5.2.2. The demarcation point between the Licensee's signal processing equipment (which the Licensee shall own, install and maintain) and the Town's PEG equipment shall be at the output of the Town's and/or its PEG Access Designee's signal processing equipment at the PEG Interconnection Site. The Town and/or the PEG Access Designee shall be solely responsible for operating its switching equipment and the picture and audio quality of all PEG

Access Programming up to the demarcation point and for ensuring all PEG Access Programming is inserted on the appropriate upstream PEG Access Channel. All PEG Access Programming shall be transmitted to the Licensee in baseband, SD-SDI or HD-SDI format with either mono or stereo audio signals, and with signals received by Licensee in stereo cablecast by Licensee in stereo. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Licensee shall not be obligated to provide the Town or PEG Access Designee with either cablecast equipment and facilities or the personnel responsible for maintaining and operating equipment and facilities on the Town's or PEG Access Designee's side of the demarcation point and used to generate or administer any PEG access signals, except as necessary to implement the Licensee's responsibilities specified herein. The Issuing Authority and the Licensee shall work together in good faith to resolve any connection issues. If the Issuing Authority issues a license to, or renews a license with, a competing VSP, the competing VSP may not connect its system to Licensee's System for the purposes of obtaining PEG access programming from the PEG Access Channels transmitted on Licensee's System without Licensee's prior written consent.

5.3. PEG Grant:

5.3.1. Licensee shall pay to the Issuing Authority a PEG Grant to be used for PEG Access Channel capital funding purposes (the "PEG Grant"), as follows:

Within forty-five days of the Effective Date, Licensee shall pay to the Issuing Authority the sum of Forty Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$40,500). One additional payment in the same dollar amount (\$40,500) shall be paid by the Licensee to the Issuing Authority on the first anniversary of the Effective Date. The Issuing Authority and/or PEG Access Designee, as determined by the Issuing Authority, shall own all facilities and equipment purchased with the PEG Grant.

5.3.2. If the Issuing Authority enters into any new or renewed cable license agreement with any other VSP which contains obligations associated with a PEG Grant or other comparable program that are lesser than the obligations set forth above, the Licensee's obligations under this Section shall be reduced, on an annual basis and upon the effective date of said agreement, to an amount equal to the lowest total payment required to be made by any VSP to the Town. The relief available in the event of the foregoing is equitable relief going forward, and the Licensee shall not recover amounts already paid to the Town. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if at any time during the term of this License, any other such VSP ceases to provide cash grants to the Town in support of the production of local PEG programming in accordance with the terms of its respective cable license agreement, then Licensee's PEG Grant obligation shall also cease. The Issuing Authority shall provide notification to Licensee within thirty (30) days of such other VSP's failure to provide a cash grant in accordance with the schedule set forth in such VSP's license agreement with the Issuing Authority. Equipment, services and other in kind, non-monetary contributions to the Town by such VSP shall not count towards the cash grants referenced in this paragraph.

5.4. *PEG Access Support*:

- 5.4.1. The Licensee shall provide annual funding to the Issuing Authority for PEG Access Channel operating support or other PEG Access Channel costs and expenses ("PEG Access Support") in the amount equal to five percent (5.0%) of annual Gross Revenue as defined in Section 1.16 above, subject to the limitation in Section 6.2; however, if the Town issues or renews any cable license on or after the Effective Date that provides for a lower percentage of PEG Access Support, then the percentage of the Licensee's PEG Access Support payments shall be reduced to match such lower percentage over that same time period. The Issuing Authority shall place Licensee's PEG Access Support payments in a restricted account for cable related purposes in the nature of a grant account or other lawful restricted special cable account and not into the general fund, which account will be under the Issuing Authority's control subject to applicable law.
- 5.4.2 The PEG Access Support payments (Section 5.4.1) shall be made no later than forty-five (45) days following the end of each calendar quarter. Each such payment shall be accompanied by a Gross Revenue reporting form substantially in the form of **Exhibit B**. The Licensee shall be allowed to provide an extra payment if needed to correct any payments that were incorrectly omitted, and shall have the right to offset against future payments any payments that were incorrectly submitted, in connection with the quarterly remittances, within ninety (90) days following the close of the calendar quarter for which such payments were applicable. For purposes of the PEG Access Support payment, the period for determining Gross Revenues shall be the preceding calendar quarter. If Cable Services are provided to Subscribers in conjunction with Non-Cable Services, then the calculation of Gross Revenues shall be adjusted, if needed, to include only the value of the Cable Services billed to Subscribers, as reflected on the books and records of the Licensee in accordance with FCC rules, regulations, standards or orders.
- 5.5. PEG Operational Rules. The Issuing Authority and/or its PEG Access Designee shall establish rules and regulations that require all local producers and users of any of the PEG facilities or Channels to assume individual responsibility for any program-based liability including, but not limited to, liability for copyright infringement or defamation, and to hold the Town and Licensee harmless for same, subject to applicable law, including but not limited to federal statutory and FCC requirements. The Issuing Authority or its access designee shall establish rules and regulations for use of PEG facilities consistent with, and as required by, Section 611 of the Communications Act (47 U.S.C. § 531) and this Section 5.5.
- 5.6. Recovery of Costs. To the extent permitted by federal law, the Licensee shall be allowed to recover the costs of the PEG Grant, the PEG Access Support, the costs of PEG interconnection and any other costs arising from the provision of PEG services from Subscribers and to include such costs as separately billed line items on each Subscriber's bill. Without limiting the foregoing, if allowed under state and federal laws, Licensee may externalize, line-item, or otherwise pass-through interconnection costs to Subscribers.
- 5.7. Non-Commercial Programming. The Issuing Authority shall not use the PEG Access Channels to provide for-profit commercial programming. Consistent with the current underwriting standards for non-commercial television stations, notices of support and underwriting may be permitted within or adjacent to PEG Access programming.

- 5.8. No PEG Access Designee Rights: The Issuing Authority and the Licensee herein acknowledge and agree that any PEG Access Designee is not a party to this License and that any provisions herein that may affect a PEG Access Designee are not intended to create any rights on behalf of any PEG Access Designee.
- 5.9. PEG Access Channel Maintenance/Technical Standards: The Licensee shall monitor the PEG Access Channels for technical quality and shall ensure that they are maintained at standards the same or better than those which apply to the Cable System's commercial channels of similar format and resolution, provided, however, that the Licensee is not responsible for the production quality of PEG Access programming productions, nor for any deficiencies in the source signal it receives from any party over which the Licensee has no control.

6. <u>LICENSE FEES</u>

- 6.1. License Fee: Pursuant to Section 9 of the Massachusetts Cable Law, the Licensee shall pay to the Town, throughout the term of this License, a license fee equal to fifty cents (\$.50) per Subscriber per year (the "License Fee").
- 6.2. Maximum Franchise Fee Obligation: The Licensee shall not be liable for a total Franchise Fee, pursuant to this License and applicable law in excess of five percent (5%) of annual Gross Revenues (as defined in Section 1.16 above) and in accordance with the definition of the term Franchise Fee and the five percent (5%) cap on Franchise Fee(s) as set forth in Section 622 of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. 542 and FCC regulations and orders pursuant thereto.
- 6.3. Payment Information: In determining the License Fee, the number of Subscribers shall be measured as of December 31st of the preceding calendar year. The License Fee shall be paid no later than March 15th of each year during the term of this License.
- 6.4. Limitation on Actions: The parties agree that the period of limitation for recovery of any payment obligation under this License shall be three (3) years from the date on which payment by Licensee is due.

6.5. Recomputation and Audit:

- 6.5.1 Tender or acceptance of any payment made pursuant to Articles 5 or 6 shall not be construed as an accord that the amount paid is correct, nor shall such acceptance of payment be construed as a release of any claim that the Issuing Authority may have for additional sums.
- 6.5.2 If the Issuing Authority has reason to believe that any payments made pursuant to Articles 5 or 6 are incorrect, it may conduct an audit no more than once during any three (3) year period during the term of this License. The Issuing Authority shall not conduct a "success-based" audit. If, after such audit and recomputation, an additional fee is owed to the Town, such fee shall be paid within thirty (30) business days after such audit and recomputation; provided, however, the Licensee 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 Town.

7. CUSTOMER SERVICE

Customer Service Requirements are set forth in Exhibit C, which shall be binding unless amended by written consent of the parties. Licensee shall comply with the billing and termination of service provisions set forth in 207 CMR 10.00, as amended, which shall supersede any conflicting provisions set forth in **Exhibit C**.

8. REPORTS AND RECORDS

- Open Books and Records: Upon reasonable written notice to the Licensee 8.1. and with no less than thirty (30) business days written notice to the Licensee, the Issuing Authority shall have the right to inspect at an office of the Licensee, the Licensee's books and records pertaining to Licensee's provision of Cable Service in the Town at any time during Licensee's regular business hours and on a nondisruptive basis, as are reasonably necessary to ensure compliance with the terms of this License. Such notice shall specifically reference the section or subsection of this License which is under review, so that Licensee may organize the necessary books and records for appropriate access by the Issuing Authority. The Licensee shall not be required to maintain any books and records for License compliance purposes longer than three (3) years. If the Licensee believes that the requested information is confidential, then the Licensee shall provide the following documentation to the Issuing Authority: (i) specific identification of the information; (ii) a statement attesting to the reason(s) Licensee believes the information is confidential; and (iii) a statement that the documents are available at the Licensee's offices for inspection by the Issuing Authority. The Issuing Authority shall take reasonable steps to the extent consistent with public records laws to protect the confidential nature of any books, records, maps, plans or other requested documents that are provided to the extent they are designated as such by Licensee in accordance herewith, including without limitation, cooperating with the Licensee's exercise of its rights to protect its confidential information from public disclosure. Licensee shall not be required to provide Subscriber information in violation of Section 631 of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. § 551.
 - 8.2. Records Required: The Licensee shall at all times maintain:
- 8.2.1. Records of all written complaints for a period of three (3) years after receipt by the Licensee;
- 8.2.2. Records of outages for a period of three (3) years after occurrence, indicating date, duration, area, and the number of Subscribers affected, type of outage, and cause;
- 8.2.3. Records of service calls for repair and maintenance for a period of three (3) years after resolution by the Licensee, 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;
- 8.2.4. Records of installation/reconnection and requests for service extension for a period of three (3) years after the request was fulfilled by Licensee, indicating the date of request, date of acknowledgment, and the date and time service was extended; and

- 8.2.5. A map showing the area of coverage for the provisioning of Cable Services.
- 8.3. Additional Reports: Upon written request of the Issuing Authority, the Licensee shall provide a copy of any documents or forms filed by the Licensee with the FCC and/or the Cable Division that materially pertain to the Licensee's Cable System in the Town.
- 8.4. Proof of Performance Tests: Upon written request of the Issuing Authority, the Licensee shall provide a copy of proof of performance tests required by applicable law.
- 8.5. Annual Performance Review: The Issuing Authority may, at its discretion but not more than once per twelve-month period, hold a performance evaluation session. The purpose of such evaluation session shall be to review Licensee's compliance with the terms and conditions of this License. The Issuing Authority shall provide Licensee with thirty (30) days advance written notice of such evaluation session. If requested in writing by the Licensee, the Issuing Authority shall provide Licensee with a written report with respect to Licensee's compliance within thirty (30) days after the conclusion of such evaluation session.
- 8.6. Quality of Service: If there exists credible evidence which, in the reasonable judgment of the Issuing Authority, casts doubt upon the reliability or technical quality of the Licensee's Cable Services in the Town then, after notice to the Licensee and an opportunity to cure, the Issuing Authority shall have the right to require the Licensee to test, analyze and report on the performance of the Cable System.

9. INSURANCE AND INDEMNIFICATION AND PERFORMANCE BOND

9.1. Insurance:

- 9.1.1. The Licensee shall maintain in full force and effect, at its own cost and expense, during the term of this License, the following insurance coverage:
- 9.1.1.1. Commercial General Liability Insurance in the amount of five million dollars (\$5,000,000) per occurrence for property damage and bodily injury. Such insurance shall cover the construction, operation and maintenance of the Cable System, and the conduct of the Licensee's Cable Service business in the Town.
- 9.1.1.2. Automobile Liability Insurance in the amount of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) combined single limit each accident for bodily injury and property damage coverage.
- 9.1.1.3. Workers' Compensation Insurance meeting all legal requirements of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and 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.
- 9.1.2. The Town shall be included as an additional insured as their interests may appear under this License on the Commercial General Liability Insurance and Automobile Liability Insurance required herein.

- 9.1.3. Upon receipt of notice from its insurer(s) the Licensee shall provide the Issuing Authority with thirty (30) days' prior written notice of cancellation of any required coverage.
- 9.1.4. Each of the required insurance policies shall be with insurers qualified to do business in the State of Massachusetts, with an A.M. Best Financial Strength rating of A- or better.
- 9.1.5. Upon written request, the Licensee shall deliver to the Issuing Authority Certificates of Insurance showing evidence of the required coverage.

9.2. *Indemnification*:

- 9.2.1. Licensee shall indemnify and hold the Town, its officials, boards, commissions, committees, agents and employees harmless at all times during the term of this License from any and all claims, suits and judgments, whether for damages or otherwise arising out of the installation, operation, or maintenance of the Cable System or the provision of Cable Services in the Town, provided that the Town shall give the Licensee written notice of its request for indemnification within a period of time from receipt of a claim pursuant to this subsection sufficient to enable Licensee to timely answer complaints, raise defenses and to defend all claims. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Licensee shall not indemnify the Town for any damages, liability or claims resulting from the willful misconduct or negligence of the Town, its officers, agents, employees, attorneys, consultants, or its independent contractors or third parties, or for any activity or function conducted by any Person other than Licensee or its officers, agents, employees, attorneys, consultants or its independent contractors in connection with PEG Access or EAS, or the distribution of any Cable Service over the Cable System.
- 9.2.2. With respect to the Licensee's indemnity obligations set forth in Section 9.2.1, the Licensee shall, at its own expense, provide the defense of any claims brought against the Town by selecting counsel of the Licensee's choice to defend the claim, subject to the consent of the Town, which shall not unreasonably be withheld. Nothing herein shall be deemed to prevent the Town from cooperating with the Licensee 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 Town, the Licensee shall have the right to defend, settle or compromise any claim or action arising hereunder, and the Licensee shall have the authority to decide the appropriateness and the amount of any such settlement subject to Licensee's indemnifying the Town for costs of any such settlement by paying the costs thereof. In the event that the terms of any such proposed settlement includes the release of the Town and the Town does not consent to the terms of any such settlement or compromise, the Licensee shall not settle the claim or action but its obligation to indemnify the Town shall in no event exceed the amount of such proposed settlement.
- 9.2.3. The Town shall be responsible for its own acts of willful misconduct or negligence, or breach of obligation, subject to any and all defenses and limitations of liability provided by law. Licensee shall not be required to indemnify the Town for acts of the Town which constitute willful misconduct or negligence, on the part of the Town, its officers, employees, agents, attorneys, consultants, or its independent contractors or third parties.

9.3. Performance Bond: The Licensee shall provide to the Town, and shall maintain throughout the term of this License, a performance bond in the Town's favor in the amount of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) securing the performance of the Licensee's obligations under this License. The performance bond shall be substantially in the form of **Exhibit** D. In the event that a performance bond provided pursuant to this License is not renewed or is cancelled, the Licensee shall provide new security pursuant to this Article within thirty (30) days of such failure to renew or cancellation. Neither cancellation, nor termination nor refusal by the surety to extend the bond, nor the inability of the Licensee to file a replacement bond or replacement security for its obligations under this License, shall constitute a loss to the Town recoverable under the bond.

10. TRANSFER OF LICENSE

Subject to Section 617 of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. § 537, no Transfer of this License shall occur without the prior consent of the Issuing Authority, provided that such consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, delayed or conditioned. Such consent shall be given only after a public hearing upon a written application and forms therefore as provided by the FCC and the Cable Division. 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 Licensee in this License or the Cable System in order to secure indebtedness, or for transactions otherwise excluded under Section 1.43 above, except to the extent that any of the foregoing are determined to be a transfer of control pursuant to 207 CMR 4.01, in which case such transaction shall be subject to the Cable Division's transfer regulations (207 CMR 4.00 et. seq.). The transferee of any Transfer of this License shall be subject to the terms and conditions contained in this License.

11. RENEWAL OF LICENSE

- 11.1. Governing Law: The Town and the Licensee agree that any proceedings undertaken by the Town that relate to the renewal of this License shall be governed by and comply with the provisions of Section 626 of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. § 546, the Massachusetts Cable Law and Section 13.12 below.
- of the Communications Act, the Town shall reasonably notify the Licensee of its assessments regarding the identity of future cable-related community needs and interests, as well as the past performance of the Licensee under the terms of this License consistent with the requirements of applicable law. Such assessments shall be provided to the Licensee by the Town such that the Licensee has adequate time to submit a proposal under Section 626 of the Communications Act prior to expiration of its term and consistent with any applicable timetables or requirements set forth in applicable law.
- 11.3. Informal Negotiations: Notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth herein and subject to applicable law, the Licensee and the Town agree that at any time during the term of the then current License, while affording the public appropriate notice and opportunity to comment, the Town and the Licensee may agree to undertake and finalize informal negotiations regarding renewal of the then current License and the Issuing Authority may grant a renewal thereof.

11.4. Consistent Terms: The Licensee and the Town consider the terms set forth in this Article 11 to be consistent with the express provisions of Section 626 of the Communications Act.

12. ENFORCEMENT AND TERMINATION OF LICENSE

- 12.1. Notice of Violation: If at any time the Issuing Authority believes that Licensee has not complied with the terms of this License, the Issuing Authority shall informally discuss the matter with the Licensee, however the Issuing Authority reserves the right to inform Licensee in writing prior to informal discussions. If these informal discussions do not lead to resolution of the problem in a reasonable time, the Issuing Authority shall then notify the Licensee in writing of the exact nature of the alleged noncompliance (for purposes of this Article, the "Noncompliance Notice").
- days from receipt of the Noncompliance Notice to: (i) respond to the Issuing Authority, if Licensee 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 thirty (30) day period, initiate reasonable steps to remedy such noncompliance and notify the Issuing Authority of the steps being taken and the date by which they are projected to be completed. In no event shall the cure period exceed a total of ninety (90) days from response pursuant to (i) unless the Licensee demonstrates in good faith to the Issuing Authority that such noncompliance cannot be cured within such 90-day period. Upon cure of any noncompliance, the Town shall provide Licensee with written confirmation that such cure has been effected.
- 12.3. Public Hearing: In the event that the Licensee fails to respond to the Noncompliance Notice pursuant to the procedures required by this Article, or in the event that the alleged noncompliance is not remedied within thirty (30) days or the date projected pursuant to Section 12.2(iii) above, if the Town seeks to continue its investigation into the alleged noncompliance, then the Issuing Authority shall schedule a public hearing. The Issuing Authority shall provide Licensee 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 Licensee the opportunity to be heard.
- 12.4. *Enforcement*: Subject to applicable federal and State law, in the event the Issuing Authority, after the public hearing set forth in Section 12.3, determines that Licensee is in default of any provision of this License, the Issuing Authority may:
- 12.4.1. Seek specific performance of any provision, which reasonably lends itself to such remedy, as an alternative to damages;
- 12.4.2. Commence an action at law for monetary damages or seek other equitable relief;
- 12.4.3. Submit a claim against an appropriate part of the performance bond pursuant to Section 9.3 above; or

- 12.4.4. In the case of a substantial noncompliance of a material provision of this License, seek to revoke this License in accordance with Section 12.5.
- 12.5. Revocation: Should the Issuing Authority seek to revoke this License after following the procedures set forth in this Article, including the public hearing described in Section 12.3, the Issuing Authority shall give written notice to the Licensee of such intent. The notice shall set forth the specific nature of the noncompliance. The Licensee shall have ninety (90) days from receipt of such notice to object in writing and to state its reasons for such objection. In the event the Issuing Authority has not received a satisfactory response from Licensee, it may then seek termination of this License at a second public hearing. The Issuing Authority shall cause to be served upon the Licensee, at least thirty (30) business days prior to such public hearing, a written notice specifying the time and place of such hearing and stating its intent to revoke this License.
- 12.5.1. At the designated public hearing, the Licensee 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 Issuing Authority, 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; the cost of the transcription shall be paid by License.
- 12.5.2. Following the second public hearing, the Licensee shall be provided up to thirty (30) days to submit its proposed findings and conclusions to the Issuing Authority in writing and thereafter the Issuing Authority shall determine (i) whether an event of default has occurred under this License; (ii) whether such event of default is excusable; and (iii) whether such event of default has been cured or will be cured by the Licensee. The Issuing Authority shall also determine whether it will revoke this License based on the information presented, or, where applicable, grant additional time to the Licensee to effect any cure. If the Issuing Authority determines that it will revoke this License, the Issuing Authority shall promptly provide Licensee with a written determination setting forth the Issuing Authority's reasoning for such revocation. The Licensee may appeal such written determination of the Issuing Authority de novo. The Licensee shall be entitled to such relief as the court finds appropriate. Such appeal must be taken within sixty (60) days of the Licensee's receipt of the written determination of the Issuing Authority.
- 12.5.3. The Issuing Authority may, at its sole discretion, take any lawful action that it deems appropriate to enforce the Issuing Authority's rights under this License in lieu of revocation of this License.

13. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

- 13.1. Actions of Parties: In any action by the Town or the Licensee 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.
- 13.2. Binding Acceptance: This License shall bind and benefit the parties hereto and their respective receivers, trustees, successors and assigns, and the promises and obligations herein shall survive the expiration date hereof.
- 13.3. Preemption: In the event that federal or State law, rules, or regulations preempt a provision or limit the enforceability of a provision of this License, 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 Issuing Authority.
- 13.4. Force Majeure: The parties shall not be held in default under, or in noncompliance with, the provisions of this License, 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, provided that the Licensee takes reasonable steps under the circumstances to comply with the obligations of the Licensee to the maximum extent possible without endangering the health or safety of the Licensee's employees or property, or the health or safety of the Town or the public, or their property. In the event that any such delay in performance or failure to perform affects only part of the Licensee's capacity to perform, the Licensee shall perform to the maximum extent it is able to do so in as expeditious a manner as possible under the circumstances. Furthermore, the parties hereby agree that it is not the Town's intention to subject Licensee to penalties, fines, forfeitures or revocation of this License for violations of this License where the violation was a good faith error that resulted in no or minimal negative impact on Subscribers.
- 13.5. Delivery of Payments: Licensee may use electronic funds transfer to make any payments to the Town or Issuing Authority required under this License. Said electronic transfer must be in the form, including necessary explanatory information and documentation, and to the account, all as reasonably required by the Town or Issuing Authority.
- 13.6. *Notices:* Unless otherwise expressly stated herein, notices required under this License 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.
 - 13.6.1. Notices to the Licensee shall be mailed to:

Verizon New England Inc. 6 Bowdoin Square 10th Floor

Boston, MA 02114

Attention: Niall Connors, Franchise Service Manager

13.6.2. with a copy to:

Verizon Legal Department 140 West Street, 6th Floor New York NY 10007

Attention: Monica Azare, Vice President and Deputy General

Counsel

13.6.3. Notices to the Issuing Authority shall be mailed to:

Board of Selectmen Town Hall 50 North Franklin Street Holbrook, MA 02343

13.6.4. With a copy to:

Law Department/Town Counsel c/o Town Hall 50 North Franklin Street Holbrook, MA 02343

- 13.7. Entire Agreement: This License and the Exhibits hereto constitute the entire agreement between Licensee and the Town, and supersede all prior or contemporaneous agreements, representations or understandings (written or oral) of the parties regarding the subject matter hereof. Any bylaws or ordinances or parts of thereof that conflict with the provisions of this License are superseded by this License.
- 13.8. Amendments: Amendments or modifications to this License shall be mutually agreed to in writing by the parties.
- 13.9. Captions: The captions and headings of articles and sections throughout this License are intended solely to facilitate reading and reference to the sections and provisions of this License. Such captions shall not affect the meaning or interpretation of this License.
- 13.10. Severability: If any section, subsection, sentence, paragraph, term, or provision hereof is determined to be illegal, invalid, or unenforceable, 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 this License.
- 13.11. Recitals: The recitals set forth in this License are incorporated into the body of this License as if they had been originally set forth herein.

- 13.12. FTTP Network Transfer Prohibition: Under no circumstance including, without limitation, upon expiration, revocation, termination, or denial of renewal of this License or any other action to forbid or disallow the Licensee from providing Cable Services, shall the Licensee or its assignees be required to sell any right, title, interest, use or control of any portion of the Licensee's FTTP Network including, without limitation, the Cable System and any capacity used for Cable Service or otherwise, to the Town or any third party. The Licensee 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, surrender or denial of renewal or any other action to forbid or disallow the Licensee from providing Cable Services. This provision is not intended to contravene leased access requirements under Title VI or the PEG requirements set out in this License.
- 13.13. Interpretation: The Town and the Licensee each acknowledge that it has received independent legal advice in entering into this License. In the event that a dispute arises over the meaning or application of any term(s) of this License, such term(s) shall not be construed by the reference to any doctrine calling for ambiguities to be construed against the drafter of the License.
- 13.14. *No Third Party Beneficiary*: Nothing in this License shall be construed to create or confer any rights or benefits to any third party.
- 13.15. Counterparts: This License may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument. Further, this License may be executed by facsimile, email, electronic signature or other electronic means, and so executed shall have the full force and legal effect as an executed original of this License.
- 13.16. Jurisdiction: Except as otherwise set forth in this License, exclusive jurisdiction and venue over any dispute arising out of this License shall be in a federal or state court of appropriate venue and subject matter jurisdiction located in the State, and the parties hereby agree to be subject to the personal jurisdiction of such court for the resolution of any such dispute.

SIGNATURE PAGE FOLLOWS

AGREED TO THIS 23RD DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2021

TOWN OF HOLBROOK By its Board of Selectmen:	VERIZON NEW ENGLAND INC.
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William August, Epstein & August, LLP Holbrook Cable Counsel Date:	
	Verizon Law Department Date: February 23, 2021

EXHIBITS

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EXHIBIT B – GROSS REVENUE REPORTING FORM

EXHIBIT C – CUSTOMER SERVICE STANDARDS

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EXHIBIT A

PUBLIC BUILDINGS TO BE PROVIDED FREE CABLE SERVICE

H-CAM Access Studio
Holbrook Public Safety Building
Holbrook Town Hall
John F. Kennedy School
Holbrook Junior-Senior High
Holbrook Public Library
Holbrook Senior Center

140 North Franklin Street300 South Franklin Street50 North Franklin Street337 Plymouth Street245 South Franklin Street2 Plymouth Street9 Jewell Road

EXHIBIT B

GROSS REVENUE REPORTING FORM

PEG Report 1st Quarter [YEAR]

Sample Town

Verizon - fBA

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PEG Fee Rate:

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	MONTH	MONTH	MONTH	Quarter Total
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(e.g. Basic, Enhanced				
Basic, Premium and				
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Verizon New England Inc. is hereby requesting that this information be treated as confidential and proprietary business information in accordance with the terms of the Cable Television Renewal License granted to Verizon New England Inc. This information is not otherwise readily ascertainable or publicly available by proper means by other persons from another source in the same configuration as provided herein, would cause substantial harm to competitive position of Verizon in the highly competitive video marketplace if disclosed, is intended to be proprietary confidential business information and is treated by Verizon as such.

EXHIBIT C

CUSTOMER SERVICE STANDARDS

These standards shall apply to the Licensee to the extent it is providing Cable Services over the Cable System in the Town.

DEFINITIONS

- A. <u>Respond:</u> Licensee's investigation of a Service Interruption by receiving a Subscriber call and opening a trouble ticket, if required.
- B. <u>Service Call</u>: The action taken by the Licensee to correct a Service Interruption the effect of which is limited to an individual Subscriber.
 - C. Service Interruption: The loss of picture or sound on one or more cable Channels.
- D. <u>Significant Outage</u>: A significant outage of the Cable Service shall mean any Service Interruption lasting at least four (4) continuous hours that affects at least ten percent (10%) of the Subscribers in the Service Area.
- E. <u>Standard Installation</u>: Installations where the Subscriber is within one hundred fifty (150) aerial feet of trunk or feeder lines.

SECTION 1: TELEPHONE AVAILABILITY

- A. The Licensee shall maintain a toll-free number to receive all calls and inquiries from Subscribers in the Town and/or residents regarding Cable Service. The Licensee's representatives shall be trained and qualified to answer questions related to Cable Service in the Town and shall be available to respond to customer telephone inquiries during Normal Business Hours. Licensee representatives shall identify themselves by name when answering this number. After Normal Business Hours, the toll-free number may be answered by an Automated Response Unit ("ARU") or a Voice Response Unit ("VRU"), including an answering machine. Inquiries received after Normal Business Hours shall be responded to by a trained company representative on the next business day.
- B. The Licensee's telephone numbers shall be listed, with appropriate description (e.g. administration, customer service, billing, repair, etc.), in the directory published by the local telephone company or companies serving the Service Area, beginning with the next publication cycle after the Effective Date.
- C. Licensee may use an ARU or a VRU") to distribute calls. If a foreign language routing option is provided, and the Subscriber does not enter an option, the menu will default to the first tier menu of English options.

After the first tier menu (not including a foreign language rollout) has run through three times, if customers do not select any option, the ARU or VRU will forward the call to a queue for a live representative. The Licensee may reasonably substitute this requirement with another method of handling calls from customers who do not have touch-tone telephones.

- D. Under Normal Operating Conditions, calls received by the Licensee shall be answered within thirty (30) seconds. The Licensee shall meet this standard for ninety percent (90%) of the calls it receives at all call centers receiving calls from Subscribers, as measured on a cumulative quarterly calendar basis. Measurement of this standard shall include all calls received by the Licensee at all call centers receiving calls from Subscribers, whether they are answered by a live representative, by an automated attendant, or abandoned after 30 seconds of call waiting.
- E. Under Normal Operating Conditions, callers to the Licensee shall receive a busy signal no more than three (3%) percent of the time during any calendar quarter.
- F. At the Licensee's option, the measurements and reporting above may be changed from calendar quarters to billing or accounting quarters. The Licensee shall notify the Town of such a change at least thirty (30) days in advance of any implementation.

SECTION 2: INSTALLATIONS AND SERVICE APPOINTMENTS

- A. All installations will be in accordance with applicable FCC rules relating to grounding, connection of equipment to ensure reception of Cable Service, and the provision of required consumer information and literature to adequately inform the Subscriber in the utilization of the Licensee-supplied equipment and Cable Service.
- B. The Standard Installation shall be performed within seven (7) business days after the placement of the Optical Network Terminal ("ONT") on the customer's premises or within seven (7) business days after an order is placed if the ONT is already installed on the customer's premises.

The Licensee shall meet this standard for ninety-five percent (95%) of the Standard Installations it performs, as measured on a calendar quarter basis, excluding customer requests for connection later than seven (7) days after ONT placement or later than seven (7) days after an order is placed if the ONT is already installed on the customer's premises.

C. The Licensee will offer Subscribers "appointment window" alternatives for arrival to perform installations, Service Calls and other activities of a maximum four (4) hours scheduled time block during appropriate daylight available hours, usually beginning at 8:00 AM unless it is deemed appropriate to begin earlier by location exception. At the Licensee's discretion, the Licensee may offer Subscribers appointment arrival times other than these four (4) hour time blocks, if agreeable to the Subscriber. These hour restrictions do not apply to weekends.

SECTION 3: SERVICE INTERRUPTIONS AND OUTAGES

- A. The Licensee shall exercise commercially reasonable efforts to limit any Significant Outage for the purpose of maintaining, repairing, or constructing the Cable System. Except in an emergency or other situation necessitating a more expedited or alternative notification procedure, the Licensee may schedule a Significant Outage for a period of more than four (4) hours during any twenty-four (24) hour period only after the Town and each affected Subscriber in the Service Area have been given fifteen (15) days prior notice of the proposed Significant Outage.
- B. Under Normal Operating Conditions, the Licensee must Respond to a call from a Subscriber regarding a Service Interruption or other service problems within the following time frames:
- (1) Within twenty-four (24) hours, including weekends, of receiving Subscriber calls respecting Service Interruptions in the Service Area.
- (2) The Licensee must begin actions to correct all other Cable Service problems the next business day after notification by the Subscriber or the Town of a Cable Service problem.
- C. Under Normal Operating Conditions, the Licensee shall complete Service Calls within seventy-two (72) hours of the time Licensee commences to Respond to the Service Interruption, not including weekends and situations where the Subscriber is not reasonably available for a Service Call to correct the Service Interruption within the seventy-two (72) hour period.
- D. The Licensee shall meet the standard in Subsection C. of this Section for eighty-five percent (85%) of the Service Calls it completes, as measured on a quarterly basis.
- E. Under Normal Operating Conditions, the Licensee shall provide a credit upon Subscriber request when all Channels received by that Subscriber are out of service for a period of twenty-four (24) consecutive hours or more. The credit shall equal, at a minimum, a proportionate amount of the affected Subscriber(s) current monthly bill. In order to qualify for the credit, the Subscriber must promptly report the problem and allow the Licensee to verify the problem if requested by the Licensee. If Subscriber availability is required for repair, a credit will not be provided for such time, if any, that the Subscriber is not reasonably available.
- F. Under Normal Operating Conditions, if a Significant Outage affects all Video Programming Cable Services for more than twenty-four (24) consecutive hours, the Licensee shall issue an automatic credit to the affected Subscribers in the amount equal to their monthly recurring charges for the proportionate time the Cable Service was out, or a credit to the affected Subscribers in the amount equal to the charge for the basic plus enhanced basic level of service for the proportionate time the Cable Service was out, whichever is technically feasible or, if both are technically feasible, as determined by Licensee provided such determination is non-discriminatory. Such credit shall be reflected on Subscriber billing statements within the next available billing cycle following the outage.
- G. Licensee may provide all notices identified in this Section electronically or on-screen.

SECTION 4: CUSTOMER COMPLAINTS

Under Normal Operating Conditions, the Licensee shall investigate Subscriber complaints referred by the Town within seventy-two (72) hours. The Licensee shall notify the Town of those matters that necessitate an excess of seventy-two (72) hours to resolve, but those matters must be resolved within fifteen (15) days of the initial complaint. The Town may require reasonable documentation to be provided by the Licensee to substantiate the request for additional time to resolve the problem. For purposes of this Section, "resolve" means that the Licensee shall perform those actions, which, in the normal course of business, are necessary to investigate the Subscriber's complaint and advise the Subscriber of the results of that investigation.

SECTION 5: BILLING

- A. Subscriber bills must be itemized to describe Cable Services purchased by Subscribers and related equipment charges, and shall include the information required by 207 CMR 10.03(1) in clear, concise and understandable language and format. Bills shall clearly delineate activity during the billing period, including optional charges, rebates, credits, and aggregate late charges. Licensee shall be allowed to itemize as separate line items, without limitation, License fees, taxes and/or other governmentally imposed fees. The Licensee shall maintain records of the date and place of mailing of bills.
- B. Every Subscriber with a current account balance sending payment directly to Licensee shall be given at least five (5) days from the date statements are mailed to the Subscriber until the payment due date.
 - C. A specific due date shall be listed on the bill of every Subscriber.
- D. Any Subscriber who, in good faith, disputes all or part of any bill shall have the option of withholding the disputed amount without disconnect or late fee being assessed until the dispute is resolved provided that:
 - (1) The Subscriber pays all undisputed charges;
- (2) The Subscriber provides notification of the dispute to Licensee within thirty (30) days after the due date; and
- (3) The Subscriber cooperates in determining the accuracy and/or appropriateness of the charges in dispute.
- E. The Licensee shall notify the Subscriber of the result of its investigation of any complaint and shall give an explanation for its decision within 30 business days after the receipt of the complaint. The Subscriber shall forfeit any rights under 207 CMR 10.07 if he or she fails to pay the undisputed balance within 30 days. Any Subscriber who disagrees with the results of Licensee's investigation shall promptly inquire about and take advantage of any complaint resolution mechanism, formal or informal, available under this License or through the Issuing

Authority before the Cable Division may accept a petition. The Subscriber or Licensee may petition the Cable Division to resolve disputed matters within 30 days of any final action.

- F. The Licensee shall forward a copy of any Cable Service related billing inserts or other mailing sent to Subscribers to the Town upon written request.
- G. The Licensee shall provide all Subscribers with the option of paying for Cable Service by check or an automatic payment option where the amount of the bill is automatically deducted from a checking account designated by the Subscriber. Licensee may in the future, at its' discretion, permit payment by using a major credit card on a preauthorized basis. Based on credit history, at the option of the Licensee, the payment alternative may be limited.
- H. The Issuing Authority hereby requests that Licensee omit the information specified in 47 C.F.R. § 76.952(a) from its Subscriber bills.

SECTION 6: DEPOSITS, REFUNDS AND CREDITS

- A. The Licensee may require refundable deposits from Subscribers with 1) a poor credit or poor payment history, 2) who refuse to provide credit history information to the Licensee, or 3) who rent Subscriber equipment from the Licensee, so long as such deposits are applied on a non-discriminatory basis. The deposit the Licensee may charge Subscribers with poor credit or poor payment history or who refuse to provide credit information may not exceed an amount equal to an average Subscriber's monthly charge multiplied by six (6). The maximum deposit the Licensee may charge for Subscriber equipment is the cost of the equipment which the Licensee would need to purchase to replace the equipment rented to the Subscriber.
- B. The Licensee shall refund or credit the Subscriber for the amount of the deposit collected for equipment, which is unrelated to poor credit or poor payment history, after one year and provided the Subscriber has demonstrated good payment history during this period.
- C. Under Normal Operating Conditions, refund checks will be issued within the next available billing cycle following the resolution of the event giving rise to the refund (e.g., equipment return and final bill payment.
- D. Credits for Cable Service will be issued no later than the Subscriber's next available billing cycle, following the determination that a credit is warranted, and the credit is approved and processed. Such approval and processing shall not be unreasonably delayed.
- E. Bills shall be considered paid when appropriate payment is received by the Licensee or its' authorized agent. Appropriate time considerations shall be included in the Licensee's collection procedures to assure that payments due have been received before late notices or termination notices are sent.

SECTION 7: DISCONNECTION /DENIAL OF SERVICE

- A. The Licensee shall not terminate Cable Service for nonpayment of a delinquent account unless the Licensee mails a notice of the delinquency and impending termination prior to the proposed final termination. The notice of termination shall be mailed to the Subscriber to whom the Cable Service is billed. The notice of delinquency and impending termination may be part of a billing statement.
- B. Cable Service terminated in error must be restored without charge within twenty-four (24) hours of notice. If a Subscriber was billed for the period during which Cable Service was terminated in error, a credit shall be issued to the Subscriber if the Service Interruption was reported by the Subscriber.
- C. Nothing in these standards shall limit the right of the Licensee to deny Cable Service for non-payment of previously provided Cable Services, refusal to pay any required deposit, theft of Cable Service, damage to the Licensee's equipment, abusive and/or threatening behavior toward the Licensee's employees or representatives, or refusal to provide credit history information or refusal to allow the Licensee to validate the identity, credit history and credit worthiness via an external credit agency.

SECTION 8: COMMUNICATIONS WITH SUBSCRIBERS

- A. Licensee shall require that: (i) all Licensee personnel, contractors and subcontractors contacting Subscribers or potential Subscribers at the homes of such Subscribers or potential Subscribers shall wear a clearly visible identification card bearing their name and photograph; (ii) all Licensee representatives wear appropriate clothing while working at a Subscriber's premises; and (iii) every service vehicle of the Licensee and its contractors or subcontractors shall (a) be clearly identified as such to the public, (b) have the Licensee's logo plainly visible and (c) have the contractor's / subcontractor's name plus markings (such as a magnetic door sign) indicating they are under contract to the Licensee. In addition, the Licensee shall make reasonable effort to account for all identification cards at all times.
- B. Licensee shall require that all contact with a Subscriber or potential Subscriber by a Person representing the Licensee shall be conducted in a courteous manner.
- C. The Licensee shall notify Subscribers annually that any complaints or inquiries not satisfactorily handled by the Licensee may be referred to the Town.
 - D. All notices identified in this Section shall be by either:
- (1) A separate document included with a billing statement or a message included on the portion of the monthly bill that is to be retained by the Subscriber; or
 - (2) A separate electronic notification
 - (3) A separate on-screen notification; or
 - (4) Any other reasonable written means.

- E. The Licensee shall provide notice, as may be required by applicable FCC regulations, to Subscribers of any pricing changes or additional changes (excluding sales discounts, new products or offers) and, subject to the foregoing, any changes in Cable Services, including channel line-ups.
- F. The Licensee shall provide information to all Subscribers about each of the following items at the time of installation of Cable Services, annually to all Subscribers, at any time upon request, and, subject to Subsection 9.E., at least thirty (30) days prior to making significant changes in the information required by this Section if within the control of the Licensee:
 - (1) Products and Cable Service offered;
- (2) Prices and options for Cable Services and condition of subscription to Cable Services. Prices shall include those for Cable Service options, equipment rentals, program guides, installation, downgrades, late fees and other fees charged by the Licensee related to Cable Service;
 - (3) Installation and maintenance policies;
- (4) To the extent applicable, channel positions of Cable Services offered on the Cable System;
- (5) Complaint procedures, including the name, address and telephone number of the Town, but with a notice advising the Subscriber to initially contact the Licensee about all complaints and questions;
 - (6) Procedures for requesting Cable Service credit;
 - (7) The availability of a parental control device;
- (8) Licensee practices and procedures for protecting against invasion of privacy; and
- (9) The address and telephone number of the Licensee's office to which complaints may be reported.
- G. Notices of changes in rates shall indicate the Cable Service new rates and old rates, if applicable.
- H. Every notice of termination of Cable Service shall include the following information:
 - (1) The name and address of the Subscriber whose account is delinquent;
 - (2) The amount of the delinquency for all services billed;

- (3) The date by which payment is required in order to avoid termination of Cable Service; and
- (4) The telephone number for the Licensee where the Subscriber can receive additional information about their account and discuss the pending termination.

EXHIBIT D

FORM OF PERFORMANCE BOND

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 License 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 shall be effective, 20, and shall remain in full force and effect thereafter for a period of one year and will automatically extend for additional one year periods from the expiry date hereof, or any future expiration date, unless the Surety provides to the Obligee not less than sixty (60) days advance written notice of its intent not to renew this Bond or unless the Bond is earlier canceled pursuant to the following. This Bond may be canceled at any time upon sixty (60) days advance written notice from the Surety to the Obligee.
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.
- 5. No right of action shall accrue on this bond for the use of any person, corporation or entity other than the Obligee named herein or the heirs, executors, administrators or successors of the Obligee.
- 6. The aggregate liability of the surety is limited to the penal sum stated herein regardless of the number of years this bond remains in force or the amount or number of claims brought against this bond.
- 7. This bond is and shall be construed to be strictly one of suretyship only. If any conflict or inconsistency exists between the Surety's obligations as described in this bond and as may be described in any underlying agreement, permit, document or contract to which this bond is related, then the terms of this bond shall supersede and prevail in all respects.

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

Principal	Surety	
Ву:	By:	
•	, Attorney	-in-Fact

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Town of Holbrook Renewal License

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