

APPLICATION FOR A NEW OR AMENDED CALIFORNIA STATE VIDEO FRANCHISE CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Definitions for the purposes of this Application:

- A. "Access" means that the holder is capable of providing video service at the household address using any technology, other than direct-to-home satellite service, providing two-way broadband Internet capability and video programming, content, and functionality, regardless of whether any customer has ordered service or whether the owner or landlord or other responsible person has granted access to the household. If more than one technology is utilized, the technologies shall provide similar two-way broad band Internet accessibility and similar video programming.
- B. "Affiliate" means any company 5 per cent or more of whose outstanding securities are owned, controlled, or held with power to vote, directly or indirectly either by a state video franchise holder or any of its subsidiaries, or by that state video franchise holder's controlling corporation and/or any of its subsidiaries as well as any company in which the state video franchise holder, its controlling corporation, or any of the state video franchise holder's affiliates exert substantial control over the operation of the company and/or indirectly have substantial financial interests in the company exercised through means other than ownership.
- C. "Applicant" means any person or entity that files an application seeking to provide Video Service in the state pursuant to a State Video Franchise.
- D. "Application" means the form prescribed by the Commission through which an Applicant may apply for a State Video Franchise or amend its Video Service Area.
- E. "Application Fee" means any fee that the Commission imposes to recover its actual and reasonable costs of processing an Application.
- F. "Area" means a set of contiguous (i) collections of census block groups or (ii) regions that are mapped using geographic information system technology.
- G. "Broadband" or "Broadband Service" means any service defined as Broadband, or having advanced telecommunications capability, in the most recent Federal Communications Commission inquiry pursuant to Section 706 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (P.L. 104-104).²
- H. "Census Block Group" has the same meaning as used by the U.S. Census Bureau.
- I. "Census Tract" has the same meaning as used by the U.S. Census Bureau.³
- J. "Census Tract Basis" means pursuant to the reporting standards articulated in Appendix D and Appendix E, Section II of D.07-03-014.
- K. "Commission" means the Public Utilities Commission.
- L. "Company" means the Applicant and its Affiliates.

¹ CAL. PUB. UTIL. CODE § 5840(c). This fee is not levied for general revenue purposes, consistent with Public Utilities Code § 5840(c).

CAL. PUB. UTIL. CODE at § 5960(a).

² <u>Id.</u> at § 5830(a). The Federal Communications Commission currently uses the term "broadband" and "advanced telecommunications capability" to describe services and facilities with an upstream (customer-to-provider) and downstream (provider-to-customer) transmission speed of more than 200 kilobits per second. Federal Communications Commission, Availability of Advanced Telecommunications Capability in the United States, Fourth Report to Congress, FCC 04-208, 10 (Sept. 9, 2004). This definition, however, is under review by the Commission, and it may evolve in response to rapid technological changes in the marketplace. <u>Id.</u>

- M. "Consultant" means the third party source of census household projections including low income household projections.
- N. "DIVCA" means Assembly Bill 2987, the Digital Infrastructure and Video Competition Act of 2006 (Ch. 700, Stats. 2006).
- O. "Household" means, consistent with the U.S. Census Bureau, a house, apartment, a mobile home, a group of rooms, or a single room that is intended for occupancy as separate living quarters. Separate living quarters are those in which the occupants live and eat separately from any other persons in building and which have direct access from the outside of the building or through a common hall.
- P. "Local Entity" means any city, county, city and county, or joint powers authority within the state within whose jurisdiction a State Video Franchise Holder may provide Video Service. 6
- Q. "Low-Income Household" means a residential Household where the average annual Household income is less than \$35,000, as based on U.S. Census Bureau estimates adjusted annually to reflect rates of change and distribution through January 1, 2007.7
- R. "State Video Franchise" means a franchise issued by the Commission pursuant to DIVCA.8
- S. "State Video Franchise Holder" means a person or group of persons that has been issued a State Video Franchise from the Commission pursuant to Division 2.5 of DIVCA.
- T. "Telephone Service Area" means the area where the Commission has granted an entity a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide telephone service.
- U. "Telephone Corporation" means a telephone corporation as defined in Public Utilities Code § 234.
- V. "Video Service" means video programming services, cable service, or open-video system service provided through facilities located at least in part in public rights-of-way without regard to delivery technology, including Internet protocol or other technology. This definition does not include (1) any video programming provided by a commercial mobile service provider defined in Section 322(d) of Title 47 of the United States Code, or (2) video programming provided as part of, and via, a service that enables users to access content, information, electronic mail, or other services offered over the public Internet. ¹⁰
- W. "Video Service Area" means the area proposed to be served under a State Video Franchise.
- X. "Video Service Provider" means any entity providing Video Service. 11

⁴ <u>Id</u>. at § 5890(j)(1).

¹ Id.

⁶ <u>Id</u>. at § 5830(k).

⁷ <u>Id.</u> at § 5890(j)(2) (defining "low-income households" for the purposes of imposing build-out requirements).

³ <u>Id</u>. at § 5830(p).

⁹ <u>Id</u>. at § 5830(i).

^{10 &}lt;u>Id</u>. at § 5830(s).

¹¹ I<u>d</u>. at § 5830(t).

PLEASE TYPE ALL INFORMATION UNLESS INSTRUCTED OTHERWISE.

Type of Application

1.	Check as appropriate:
	☐ New Franchise ☐ Amended Franchise (Please indicate type of amendment below
	▼ Increasing Video Service Area
	Decreasing Video Service Area
Appl	icant Information
2.	Applicant's State Video Franchise number (if seeking an amended Franchise):
3.	Applicant's full legal name: NPG Cable, LLC
4.	Name under which the Applicant does or will do business in California: Suddenlink Communications
5.	Legal name and contact information of Applicant's parent companies, including the ultimate parent: Parent's Full Legal Name: Cequel Communications, LLC Address: 12444 Powerscourt Drive, Ste. 140 St. Louis, Missouri 63131 Phone: Parent's Full Legal Name: Address:
	Phone: Parent's Full Legal Name: Address:
	Phone:
6.	Applicant's principal place of business: Address: 12444 Powerscourt Drive, Ste. 140
	St. Louis, Missouri 63131
	Phone: 314-315-9400

7.	Contact information for the person responsible for ongoing communication with the Commission about Video Service business:					
	Name: Michael Zarrilli					
	Title: Vice President of Government Relations					
	Address: 12444 Powerscourt Drive, Ste. 140					
		s, Missouri 63131				
	244 245 024	S/314-315-9400 Mobile/				
	Ι αλ.	arrlli@suddenlink.com				
8.	Attach as Appendix	A the names and titles of the Applicant's principal officers.				
Build	-Out Information					
	er questions 9 through cants should go to Que	12 only if the Applicant or one of its Affiliates is a Telephone Corporation. Other stion 13.				
9.	Does the Applicant California?	alone or together with its Affiliates have more than 1,000,000 telephone customers in				
	☐ Yes	⊠ No				
10. Does the Video Service Area include areas outside of the Telephone Service Area of the Applicant and its Affiliates?						
	Yes	ĭ No				
11.	Is the Applicant pri	marily deploying fiber optic facilities to the customer's premise?				
	Yes	ĭ No				
12.	Excluding direct-to the Video Service A	chome satellite, is Video Service currently offered by another Video Service Provider in the Application?				
	☐ Yes	⊠ No				
Existi	ng Local Cable or Vi	deo Franchise Holder Information				
13.	Does the Applicant Applicant held a loo	alone or together with its Affiliates currently hold a local franchise, or has the cal franchise in the Video Service Area in the last six months?				
		load and complete the electronic template available on s Division's section of the CPUC's web site at <u>www.cpuc.ca.gov</u>				

Video Service Area Information

14.	a. Utilizing t	he template (as	applicable)	provided o	n the (Communic	ations	Division	's section	on of	the
	CPUC's web si	te at www.cpuc	.ca.gov prov	ide a geogr	aphic d	lescription	of the	Video S	Service	Area a	and
	input the expec	ted date for the	deployment	of each Ar	rea in t	he Video	Service	Area.	Please	select	the
	method by whic	ch the geographic	description	shall be deta	ailed:						

A collection of U.S. Census Bureau Census Block Groups, or

- If Applicant chooses "a," then download and complete the electronic template available on the Communications Division's section of the CPUC's web site at www.cpuc.ca.gov
- A geographic information system digital boundary meeting or exceeding national map accuracy standards.
 - If Applicant chooses "b," then submit the geographic information system digital boundary as a polygon shapefile (.shp), in State Plane coordinate system in digital format electronically to the Commission
- b. If a consultant was used to compile the geographic description data, please provide the following:

	nt Company's Full Legal Name: Frontier Geo Tek, Inc.
Address:	6377 S. Revere PKWY, Ste. 300
	Centennial, CO 80111
Phone:	303-350-4104, ext. 16

- 15. Socioeconomic status information of residents within the Video Service Area
 - If applicable, the Applicant shall provide this information utilizing the templates available on the Communications Division's section of the CPUC's web site at www.cpuc.ca.gov
 - a. Provide the following baseline description of residents in the Video Service Area:
 - i. Number of Households: The number of Households in each Census Tract included in the Video Service Area. Utilize the most recent U.S. Census projections of households available as of January 1 of the year the Application is submitted to determine the number of Households.
 - ii. Number of Low-Income Households: The number of Low-Income Households in each Census Tract included in the Video Service Area. Utilize the most recent U.S. Census projections of low-income households available as of January 1, 2007 to determine the number of Low-Income Households.
 - b. Provide or attest in the attached Affidavit that Applicant shall provide, no later than 90 calendar days after the date of the Commission's issuance of a State Video Franchise to the Applicant, the following description of residents in the Video Service Area on a Census Tract Basis:
 - i. Wireline Broadband:
 - 1. The number of Households in each Census Tract to which the Company makes wireline Broadband available.
 - 2. The number of Households in each Census Tract that subscribe to wireline Broadband that the Company makes available.

- ii. Non-Wireline Broadband:
 - 1. If the Company uses non-wireline technology to provide Broadband, specify the type(s) of technology used in each Census Tract.
 - 2. The number of customers in each Census Tract that subscribe to non-wireline Broadband that the Company makes available.
 - 3. Using geographic information system digital boundaries that meet or exceed national map accuracy standards, provide maps that delineate (i) Census Tract boundaries and (ii) where the Company typically makes non-wireline Broadband available.
- iii. Video service: The number of Households in each Census Tract that are offered Access by the Company.
- iv. Low-Income (Utilize the most recent U.S. Census projections of low-income households available as of January 1, 2007 to determine the number of Low-Income Households): The number of Low-Income Households that are offered Access by the Company.
- 16. Socioeconomic status information of residents within the Telephone Service Area
 - o If applicable, the Applicant shall provide this information utilizing the templates available on the Communications Division's section of the CPUC's web site at www.cpuc.ca.gov.
 - a. If the Applicant or any of its Affiliates is a Telephone Corporation, provide the following baseline description of residents in the Telephone Service Area:
 - Number of Households: The number of Households in each Census Tract included in the Telephone Service Area. Utilize the most recent U.S. Census projections of households available as of January 1 of the year the Application is submitted to determine the number of Households.
 - ii. Number of Low-Income Households: The number of Low-Income Households in each Census Tract included in the Telephone Service Area. Utilize the most recent U.S. Census projections of low-income households available as of January 1, 2007 to determine the number of Low-Income Households.
 - b. If the Applicant or any of its Affiliates is a Telephone Corporation, provide or attest in the attached Affidavit that Applicant shall provide, no later than 90 calendar days after the date of the Commission's issuance of a State Video Franchise to the Applicant, the following description of residents in the Telephone Service Area:
 - i. Wireline Broadband:
 - 1. The number of Households in each Census Tract to which the Company makes wireline Broadband available.
 - 2. The number of Households in each Census Tract that subscribe to wireline Broadband that the Company makes available.
 - ii. Non-Wireline Broadband:
 - 1. If the Company uses non-wireline technology to provide Broadband, specify the type(s) of technology used in each Census Tract.
 - 2. The number of customers in each Census Tract that subscribe to non-wireline Broadband that the Company makes available.
 - 3. Using geographic information system digital boundaries that meet or exceed national map accuracy standards, provide maps that delineate (i) Census Tract boundaries and (ii) where the Company typically makes non-wireline Broadband available

- iii. Video service: The number of Households in each Census Tract that are offered Access by the Company.
- iv. Low-Income (Utilize the most recent U.S. Census projections of low-income households available as of January 1, 2007 to determine the number of Low-Income Households): The number of Low-Income Households that are offered Access by the Company.
- 17. If a consultant was used to compile the geographic description data, please provide the following:

Consulta	nt Company's Full Legal Name:	Frontier Geo Tek, Inc.
Address:	6377 S. Revere PKWY, Ste.	300
	Centennial, CO 80111	
Phone:	303-350-4104, ext. 16	

Financial, Legal, and Technical Qualifications

18. Provide or attest in the attached Affidavit that Applicant shall provide a copy of a fully executed bond in the amount of \$100,000 per 20,000 households in the Video Service Area, with a \$100,000 minimum and a \$500,000 maximum per State Video Franchise Holder, to the Executive Director prior to initiating video service and no later than 5 business days after the date of the Commission's issuance of a State Video Franchise to the Applicant. The bond must list the Commission as obligee and be issued by a corporate surety authorized to transact a surety business in California.

Local Entity Contact Information

19. Utilizing the template provided on the Video Franchise main page of the CPUC website, the Applicant shall provide the contact name and information for a representative from each Local Entity within the Video Service Area.

Application Fee

 Attach to this Application a check in the amount of \$2,000 made payable to the "California Public Utilities Commission."

Affidavit

21. Complete and submit the affidavit attached as Appendix B to this Application.

A COMPLETE APPLICATION MUST INCLUDE:

Completed Application form
CD(s) containing completed templates available on the Commission website
Appendix A: Applicant's Principal Officers
Appendix B: Affidavit

Check in the amount of \$2,000

Appendix A Applicant's Principal Officers

Jerald L. Kent – Chief Executive Officer and President

Peter M. Abel – Senior Vice President, Corporate Communications

David J. Agnew - Vice President, Information Technology

Phil Ahlschlager – Senior Vice President of Operations, North Carolina Region

Christopher W. Arft - Vice President, IT Infrastructure

David Bach - Senior Vice President of Operations, Atlantic Region

Gordon M. Bourne - Vice President, Programming

Jeffrey F. Bryant - Vice President, Marketing

Kenneth Conner - Vice President, Business Services

Terry M. Cordova - Senior Vice President and Chief Technology Officer

Jill Costick - Vice President, Marketing

Todd Cruthird - Senior Vice President of Operations, Texoma Region

Aimee C. Doane – Vice President, Operations

Jerrold A. Dow – Chief Marketing and Sales Officer

Daniel K. Fitzgibbon – Vice President and Senior Counsel

Robert Fouss – Vice President, Ad Sales Operations

James B. Fox – Senior Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer

Justin Freesmeier - Vice President, Fiscal Operations

George R. Fryer - Vice President, Fiscal Operations for Texoma Region

John Fuhler – Senior Vice President, Fiscal Operations

Beverly Gambell - Vice President, Commercial Marketing

David Gilles - Senior Vice President of Operations, West Texas Region

Randy Goad – Senior Vice President of Operations, Mid South Region

Gregg Grigaitis - Vice President, Advanced Technology

Erick Guzman - Vice President, Information Technology

Norman E. Harris – Vice President, Commercial Sales East

Charles O. Hembree – Vice President of Operations, Central Region

Pamela Hermann - Vice President of Management and Financial Reporting

Marsha Humphreys - Vice President, Information Technology

Reginald A. Jaramillo – Vice President of Fiscal Operations, Central Region

Robert Jenkins - Vice President, Information Technology

Mario A. Jimenez, Jr. - Vice President, Customer Care

Don Johnson - Vice President, Human Resources

Stevens Gibbs Jones- Senior Vice President, Customer Experience

Katharine Gardner Kelly – Vice President, Customer Care

Ralph G. Kelly - Senior Vice President, Treasurer

Wendy Knudsen - Executive Vice President and Assistant Secretary

Leo F. Kutz, Jr. - Vice President, Network Engineering

Rodney Lanham - Vice President, Engineering

Patricia L. McCaskill - Senior Vice President and Chief Programming Officer

Christopher McLennan - Vice President, Programming

Thomas P. McMillin – Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer

Mary E. Meduski – Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Mary Meier - Senior Vice President, Marketing

John E. Menendez – Vice President, Loyalty and Sales Marketing

Peggy Migas – Vice President, Contract Administration

John J. Monteith – Vice President, HR Compliance and Policy

James N. Mosher - Vice President of Technical Operations, Texoma Region

Tyler Nau – Vice President of Finance, Commercial and Advertising Operations

Michael R. Nelson – Vice President, Fiscal Operations

Patrick J. O'Connor - Senior Vice President of Operations, Central Region

Bill Paramore - Vice President, Technical Operations

Andrew D. Parrott – Vice President, Technical Operations

Beth Ann Petti - Vice President, Information Technology

Michael A. Pflantz - Vice President, Corporate Finance

Mary L. Porter – Vice President, Human Resources Staffing & Diversity

Robert L. Putnam – Senior Vice President and Chief Information Officer

Frederick S. Ricker – Vice President, Corporate Taxes

Craig L. Rosenthal – Senior Vice President and General Counsel and Secretary

Karen A. Sharkey - Vice President, Customer Care

Brent Skinner - Vice President, Media Services

Daniel R. Spoelman - Vice President, Operations

Kevin Stephens - Senior Vice President, Commercial and Advertising Operations

Timothy Thompson – Vice President, Telephony

Sabrina Warr - Vice President, Corporate Accounting

Thomas A. Wheeler – Vice President, Direct Sales

Douglas G. Wiley – Senior Vice President, Human Resources

Heather Wood - Senior Vice President, Corporate Development

Michael J. Zarrilli - Vice President, Government Relations and Assistant Secretary

AFFIDAVIT

STATE	OF Missouri
COUNT	TY OF Saint Louis
of NPC	he is John Fuhler . I am Sr. Vice President of Fiscal Operations (Title) Cable, LLC . (Company). My personal knowledge of the facts herein has been derived from my employment with NPG Cable, LLC my).
Franchis	or affirm that I have personal knowledge of the facts stated in this Application for a California State Video se to provide Video Service, I am competent to testify to them, and I have the authority to make this tion on behalf of and to bind the Company.
	r swear or affirm that NPG Cable, LLC [Name of Applicant] shall the following requirements:
1.	Applicant has filed or will timely file with the Federal Communications Commission all forms required by the Federal Communications Commission before offering Video Service in this state.
2.	Applicant agrees to comply with all lawful city, county, or city and county regulations regarding the time, place, and manner of using the public rights-of-way, including but not limited to, payment of applicable encroachment, permit, and inspection fees.
3.	Applicant will concurrently deliver a copy of this Application to any Local Entity in the Video Service Area.
4.	Applicant possesses the financial, legal, and technical qualifications necessary to construct and operate the proposed system and promptly repair any damage to the public rights-of-way caused by Applicant.
5.	Applicant is not in violation of any final nonappealable order relating to either the Cable Television and Video Providers Customer Service and Information Act (California Public Utilities Code Article 3.5 (commencing with § 53054) of Chapter 1 of Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 5 of the Government Code) or the Video Customer Service Act (California Public Utilities Code Article 4.5 (commencing with § 53088) of Chapter 1 or Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 5 of the Government Code).
6.	If it has not done so in the Application, Applicant shall provide the Commission, no later than 90 calendar days after the date of the Commission's issuance of a State Video Franchise to the Applicant, a complete description of residents' socioeconomic status information, as required by and detailed in Questions 14 and 15 of the Application.
7.	If it has not done so in the Application, Applicant shall provide a copy of a fully executed bond in the amount of \$100,000 to the Executive Director prior to initiating video service and no later than 5 business days after the date of Commission issuance of a State Video Franchise to the Applicant,. The bond shall list the Commission as obligee and be issued by a corporate surety authorized to transact a surety business in California.
	swear or affirm that NPG Cable, LLC [Name of Company] agrees by with all federal and state statutes, rules, and regulations, including, but not limited to, the following:

- 1. As provided in Public Utilities Code § 5890, Applicant will not discriminate in the provision of Video Service.
- 2. Applicant will abide by all applicable consumer protection laws and rules as provided in Public Utilities Code § 5900.
- 3. Applicant will remit the fee required by California Public Utilities Code § 5860(a) to the Local Entity.
- 4. Applicant will provide public, educational, and governmental access channels and the required funding as required by Public Utilities Code § 5870.

- 5. Applicant and any and all of its Affiliates' operations in California now and in the future shall be included for the purposes of applying Public Utilities Code §§ 5840, 5890, 5960, and 5940. Applicant specifically attests to the following:
 - a. Reporting Requirements: Either (i) Applicant or (ii) the parent company of Applicant shall produce Commission-mandated reports for and on behalf of Applicant and any and all of its Affiliates that operate in California. Only one report required pursuant to Public Utilities Code § 5960 shall be filed annually, such report to include all pertinent data for the Company.

b. Antidiscrimination:

- i. If Applicant and its Affiliates together have more than 1,000,000 telephone customers in California, Applicant shall satisfy the build-out requirements set forth in Public Utilities Code § 5890(b) & (e).
- ii. If Applicant and its Affiliates together have less than 1,000,000 telephone customers in California, Applicant shall satisfy any build-out requirements established pursuant in Public Utilities Code § 5890(c).
- c. Cross-subsidization: If Applicant or its Affiliates provide stand-alone, residential, primary-line basic telephone service, Applicant shall refrain from using any increase of the rate of this service to finance the cost of deploying a network to provide video service.
- d. "Affiliate," as referenced herein, means any company 5 per cent or more of whose outstanding securities are owned, controlled, or held with power to vote, directly or indirectly either by a state video franchise holder or any of its subsidiaries, or by that state video franchise holder's controlling corporation and/or any of its subsidiaries as well as any company in which the state video franchise holder, its controlling corporation, or any of the state video franchise holder's affiliates exert substantial control over the operation of the company and/or indirectly have substantial financial interests in the company exercised through means other than ownership.

6.	Applicant shall fulfill all other requirements imposed by the	e Digital Infrastructure and Video Competition
7.	Act. NPG Cable, LLC	[Name of Applicant] is a single identifiable
	entity that is qualified to do business in California and has v	erifiable assets. This entity shall accept service
	of process, either directly or through an agent, and submit to	the jurisdiction of California courts.

I swear or affirm that all of the statements and representations made in this Application are true and correct.

Sr. Vice President of Fiscal Operations

Typed or printed name and title

AFFIDAVIT

State of Camornia	
County of	
Subscribed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me on this A	May of
11 John Fuhler, SVP of Fiscal Operations 20, by,	personally known to me or
proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(LISA DOLAN My Commission Expires	s) who appeared before me.
Seal SEAL St. Louis County Commission #10395910	
Signature	

FRANCHISE BOND

Premium: \$1,000.00	Bond No.:1699115
KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS,	
THAT NPG Cable, LLC dba Suddenlink Communication	ons , as Principal, and
having its executive office 440 Lincoln Street Wor	cester MA 01653
as Surety, are held and firmly bound unto Californi	a Public Utilites Commission
sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars and 60/100 (\$100,000.00)) for the payment of which, wheirs, executors, administrators, successors and presents, the liability of the Surety being limited	, hereinafter referred to as Obligee, in the penal DOLLARS vell and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our I assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these to said penal sum regardless of the number of years number of premiums that shall be payable or paid, gal fees which may be required and incurred.
WHEREAS, the Obligee has granted a franchis	e to Principal to use the public streets and places e electrical impulses through an open line-coaxial
faithfully perform, well and truly observe and ful	tion is such, that if the above bound Principal shall fill their terms and conditions of the franchise, then shall remain in full force and effect until cancelled.
in the event of any default on the part of the P	precedent to any right of recovery hereunder, that rincipal, a written statement of the particular facts be immediately delivered to the Surety by registered ester, MA 01653
the Surety on this instrument unless same be brou	it or proceeding shall be had or maintained against ight or instituted and process served upon the surety, or cancellation of this bond or termination of said
from Surety to Principal and said Obligee, such no	ety by giving thirty (30) days prior notice in writing office to be given by certified mail. Such termination under this Bond prior to the effective date of such
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the said Principal and	I Surety have signed and sealed this instrument this
WITNESS:	
Branda K. Mi Ques NAME	NPG Cable, LLC dba Suddenlink Communications PRINCIPAL BY: Ralph G. Kelly, SVP & Treasurer Title
Approved and Accepted By:	The Hanover Insurance Company SURFIX BY: Jeri L Russell Attorney-in-Fact
Title	
Date	

THE HANOVER INSURANCE COMPANY MASSACHUSETTS BAY INSURANCE COMPANY CITIZENS INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA

POWERS OF ATTORNEY CERTIFIED COPY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That THE HANOVER INSURANCE COMPANY and MASSACHUSETTS BAY INSURANCE COMPANY, both being corporations organized and existing under the laws of the State of New Hampshire, and CITIZENS INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Michigan, do hereby constitute and appoint

Jeri L. Russell

of Lanham MD and each is a true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-fact to sign, execute, seal, acknowledge and deliver for, and on its behalf, and as its act and deed any place within the United States, or, if the following line be filled in, only within the area therein designated

any and all bonds, recognizances, undertakings, contracts of indemnity or other writings obligatory in the nature thereof, as follows: Surety Bond Number: 1699115

Principal: NPG Cable, LLC dba Suddenlink Communications

Obligee: California Public Utilites Commission

and said companies hereby ratily and confirm all and whatsoever said Attorney(s)-in-fact may lawfully do in the premises by virtue of these presents. These appointments are made under and by authority of the following Resolution passed by the Board of Directors of said Companies which resolutions are still in effect:

"RESOLVED. That the President or any Vice President, in conjunction with any Assistant Vice President, be and they are hereby authorized and empowered to appoint Attorneys-in-fact of the Company, in its name and as its acts, to execute and acknowledge for and on its behalf as Surety any and all bonds, recognizances, contracts of indemnity, waivers of citation and all other writings obligatory in the nature thereof, with power to attach thereto the seal of the Company. Any such writings so executed by such Attorneys-in-fact shall be as binding upon the Company as if they had been duly executed and acknowledged by the regularly elected officers of the Company in their own proper persons." (Adopted October 7, 1981 - The Hanover Insurance Company; Adopted April 14, 1982 - Massachusetts Bay Insurance Company; Adopted September 7, 2001 - Citizens Insurance Company of America)

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, THE HANOVER INSURANCE COMPANY, MASSACHUSETTS BAY INSURANCE COMPANY and CITIZENS INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA have caused these presents to be sealed with their respective corporate seals, duly attested by a Vice President and an Assistant Vice President, this 1st day of September, 2005.



THE HANDVER INSURANCE COMPANY MASSACHUSETTS BAY INSURANCE COMPANY CITIZENS INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA

Richard M. Van Steenburgh, Vice Presiden

Paul F. Carlag, Assistant Vice President

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS COUNTY OF WORCESTER

On this 1st day of September, 2005, before me came the above named Vice President and Assistant Vice President of The Hanover Insurance Company, Massachusetts Bay Insurance Company and Citizens Insurance Company of America, to me p ersonally known to be the individuals and officers described herein, and acknowledged that the seals affixed to the preceding instrument are the corporate seals of The Hanover insurance Company Massachusetts Bay insurance Company and Citizens Insurance Company of America, respectively, and that the said corporate seals and their signatures as officers were duly affixed and subscribed to said instrument by the authority and direction of said Corporations.



) ss.

HAMBANA A MANDREY

My commission expires on November 3, 2011

I, the undersigned Assistant Vice President of The Hanover insurance Company, Massachusetts Bay insurance Company and Citizens Insurance Company of America, hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of the Original Power of Attorney issued by said Companies, and do hereby further certify that the said Powers of Attorney are still in force and effect.

This Certificate may be signed by facsimile under and by authority of the following resolution of the Board of Directors of The Hanover Insurance Company, Massachusetts Bay Insurance Company and Citizens Insurance Company of America.

"RESOLVED, That any and all Powers of Attorney and Certified Copies of such Powers of Attorney and certification in respect thereto, granted and executed by the President or any Vice President in conjunction with any Assistant Vice President of the Company, shall be binding on the Company to the same extent as if all signatures therein were manually affixed, even though one or more of any such signatures thereon may be facsimite." (Adopted October 7, 1981 - The Hanover Insurance Company; Adopted April 14, 1982 - Massachusetts Bay Insurance Company; Adopted September 7, 2001 - Citizens Insurance Company of America)

GIVEN under my hand and the seals of said Companies, at Wordester, Massachusetts, this

St day of

April

,2011

THE HANOVER INSURANCE COMPANY
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