

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**  
**OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE**

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF )  
COMCAST OF NEW CASTLE COUNTY, LLC, )  
FOR AN ADJUSTMENT TO ITS MAXIMUM ) PSC DOCKET NO. 08-312  
PERMITTED BASIC CABLE RATES AND )  
REGULATED EQUIPMENT AND INSTALLATION )  
COSTS (FILED OCTOBER 1, 2008) )

**ORDER NO. 7501**

**AND NOW**, to-wit, this 16<sup>th</sup> day of December, A.D. 2008;

**WHEREAS**, Comcast of New Castle County, LLC ("Comcast"), holds a franchise granted by this Commission ("the Commission" or the "PSC") to operate a cable television system in the unincorporated areas of northern New Castle County. The Commission regulates the maximum permitted rates that Comcast may charge its subscribers for its basic service tier ("BST") and related equipment rentals and installation services. In doing so, the Commission applies the rate regulation rules and methodologies adopted by the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC"); and

**WHEREAS**, on October 1, 2008, Comcast filed an FCC Form 1240 seeking to gain the Commission's approval to adjust its maximum permitted BST monthly rate for the then upcoming January 1, 2009 to December 31, 2009 projected period. With that form 1240, Comcast also submitted another form, FCC Form 1205, to make changes to the maximum permitted rates for its equipment and installation charges during the same period; and

**WHEREAS**, at the direction of Staff, Comcast published notices of these proposed adjustments to its regulated rates in the Delaware

State News and The News Journal newspapers on November 28, 2008 and November 29, 2008, respectively, and no written comments were received; and

**WHEREAS**, the Commission having, on December 16, 2008, conducted a public evidentiary hearing on the application filed by Comcast, seeking approval to make changes in the maximum permitted rates for basic cable television service and equipment and installation charges governing service provided by Comcast in the unincorporated areas within Community Unit Identification Number DE 0011 (New Castle County); and

**WHEREAS**, based on the evidence so presented, the Commission having determined that Comcast's proposed rate adjustments, as they appear on its FCC Forms 1240 and 1205, have been calculated in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Federal Communications Commission and, hence, should be approved for service on and after January 1, 2009; now, therefore,

**IT IS ORDERED:**

1. That the Commission hereby approves the maximum permitted rates for basic cable service and equipment and installation charges as set forth below for services offered by Comcast of New Castle County, LLC, in the areas within Community Unit Identification Number DE 0011, with such maximum permitted rates to be effective for service after January 1, 2009.

**BASIC SERVICE TIER RATES**

COMCAST SYSTEM	CURRENT MONTHLY MAXIMUM PERMITTED RATE	CURRENT COMPANY SELECTED RATE	COMPANY PROPOSED RATE (TO BE EFFECTIVE JAN. 1, 2009)	FCC FORM 1240 MAXIMUM PERMITTED RATE (TO BE EFFECTIVE JAN. 1, 2009)
New Castle County CUID Number DE 0011	\$13.08	\$12.01	\$12.01	\$13.90

**Maximum Permitted Rates for Equipment and Installation Per FCC Form 1205  
(Costs Aggregated on Regional Basis)  
Applicable For New Castle County - CUID No. DE 0011**

	MAXIMUM PERMITTED RATES (TO BE EFFECTIVE JAN. 1, 2009)	NEW OPERATOR-SELECTED RATES (TO BE EFFECTIVE JAN. 1, 2009)
Hourly Service Charge	\$33.81	\$33.80
Install Unwired Home	\$47.12	\$47.10
Install Pre-wired Home	\$32.46	\$32.45
Install Additional Outlet - Initial	\$17.75	\$17.75
Install Additional Outlet - Separate	\$27.72	\$27.70
Relocate Outlet	\$23.49	\$23.45
Other Install - Upgrade (non-addressable)	\$17.73	\$17.70
Other Install - Downgrade (non-addressable)	\$11.94	\$11.90
Upgrade/Downgrade (addressable)	\$ 1.99	\$ 1.99
Connect VCR - Connect Initial	\$ 8.00	\$ 8.00
Connect VCR - Connect Separate	\$14.59	\$14.55
Customer Trouble Call	\$29.70	\$29.70
Activate Pre-Existing Additional Outlet	\$10.80	\$10.80
Remote Control	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.30
Basic-Only Converter	\$ 1.14	\$ 1.10
Digital Addressable Converter	\$ 3.43	\$ 3.40
HDTV, DVR & HDDVR Converter	\$ 9.81	\$ 9.80
CableCARD	\$ 2.05	\$ 2.00

2. That the Commission reserves the jurisdiction and authority to enter such further Order in this matter as may be deemed necessary or proper.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

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Chair

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/s/ Joann T. Conaway  
Commissioner

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/s/ Jaymes B. Lester  
Commissioner

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/s/ Dallas Winslow  
Commissioner

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/s/ Jeffrey J. Clark  
Commissioner

ATTEST:

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/s/ Karen J. Nickerson  
Secretary