

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF)
COMCAST OF NEW CASTLE COUNTY, LLC FOR)
A CHANGE TO ITS BASIC SERVICE TIER)
("BST") CABLE TELEVISION RATES AND)
NECESSARY EQUIPMENT AND INSTALLATION) PSC DOCKET NO. 12-458
CHARGES IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS)
OF NEW CASTLE COUNTY SERVED BY THE)
NEW CASTLE HEAD-END SYSTEM)
(FILED OCTOBER 2, 2012))

ORDER NO. 8260

AND NOW, this 18th day of December, 2012;

WHEREAS, Comcast of New Castle County, LLC ("Comcast") holds a franchise granted by the Delaware Public Service Commission (the "Commission") to operate a cable television system in certain areas of New Castle County, Delaware, served by the New Castle, Delaware head-end system; and

WHEREAS, the Commission regulates the maximum permitted rates that Comcast may charge its subscribers for its basic service tier ("BST") cable and related equipment rentals and installation services by applying the rate regulation rules and methodologies adopted by the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC"); and

WHEREAS, on October 2, 2012, Comcast filed an application ("Application") seeking adjustments to its maximum permitted BST monthly rate, as well its equipment and installation charges for the period January 1, 2013, to December 31, 2013, for the areas served by the New Castle, Delaware head-end system within Community Identifier Unit Number DE0011; and

WHEREAS, the Application includes FCC Form 1240, which lists adjustments to the maximum permitted BST cable monthly rate, and FCC Form 1205, which lists changes to Comcast's maximum permitted rates for its equipment and installation charges during the same period; and

WHEREAS, at the direction of the Commission Staff ("Staff"), Comcast published a notice of the proposed adjustments to its regulated rates in the Delaware State News and The News Journal newspapers on November 27, 2012; and

WHEREAS, no comments have been filed in response to such legal notices; and

WHEREAS, on December 18, 2012, the Commission conducted a public hearing on the Application; and

WHEREAS, based on the evidence presented, Staff determined that Comcast's proposed rate adjustments, as they appear on its FCC Forms 1240 and 1205, have been calculated in accordance with the regulations of the FCC and, hence, recommends that such proposed rate adjustments should be approved for services effective January 1, 2013;

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED BY THE AFFIRMATIVE VOTE
OF NOT FEWER THAN THREE COMMISSIONERS:**

1. That the Commission hereby approves the maximum permitted rates for basic service tier cable and related equipment rentals and installation services as set forth below for services offered by Comcast of New Castle County, LLC in the areas within Community Identifier Unit Number DE0011, with such maximum permitted rates for services to be effective January 1, 2013.

2. **Basic Service Tier Rates**

| CURRENT OPERATOR-SELECTED RATE* | PROPOSED MAXIMUM MONTHLY PERMITTED RATE (Effective January 1, 2013) | OPERATOR-SELECTED MONTHLY RATE* (Effective January 1, 2013) | VARIANCE IN OPERATOR-SELECTED RATE |
|---------------------------------|---|---|------------------------------------|
| \$13.03 | \$15.52 | \$15.52 | \$2.49 |

* All of the operator-selected Basic Service Tier rates include a monthly FCC regulatory fee of \$0.08.

Maximum Permitted Rates for Equipment and Installation Per FCC Form 1205

| | CURRENT OPERATOR-SELECTED RATE | PROPOSED MAXIMUM PERMITTED RATE (Effective January 1, 2013) | OPERATOR-SELECTED RATE (Effective January 1, 2013) | VARIANCE IN OPERATOR-SELECTED RATE |
|---|--------------------------------|---|--|------------------------------------|
| Hourly Service Charge | \$33.75 | \$33.81 | \$33.80 | \$0.05 |
| Install Unwired Home | \$43.90 | \$43.20 | \$43.20 | (\$0.70) |
| Install Pre-wired Home | \$32.40 | \$33.36 | \$33.35 | \$0.70 |
| Install Additional/Outlet - Initial | \$14.15 | \$13.88 | \$13.85 | (\$0.30) |
| Install Additional/Outlet - Separate | \$31.50 | \$32.76 | \$32.75 | \$1.25 |
| Relocate Outlet - Initial | \$13.60 | \$15.38 | \$15.35 | \$1.75 |
| Relocate Outlet - Separate | \$32.20 | \$31.04 | \$31.00 | (\$1.20) |
| Other Install-Upgrade (non-addressable) | \$20.10 | \$25.27 | \$25.25 | \$5.15 |
| Other Install-Downgrade (non-addressable) | \$12.05 | \$12.77 | \$12.75 | \$0.70 |
| Upgrade/Downgrade (addressable) | \$1.99 | \$1.99 | \$1.99 | \$0.00 |
| Connect VCR-Connect Initial | \$8.55 | \$10.85 | \$10.85 | \$2.30 |
| Connect VCR-Connect Separate | \$19.10 | \$21.09 | \$21.00 | \$1.90 |
| Customer Trouble Call | \$33.55 | \$30.90 | \$30.90 | (\$2.65) |
| Activate Pre-Existing Outlet-Initial | \$7.75 | \$6.36 | \$6.35 | (\$1.40) |

| | CURRENT OPERATOR-SELECTED RATE | PROPOSED MAXIMUM PERMITTED RATE (Effective January 1, 2013) | OPERATOR-SELECTED RATE (Effective January 1, 2013) | VARIANCE IN OPERATOR-SELECTED RATE |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---|--|------------------------------------|
| Activate Pre-Existing Outlet-Separate | \$21.75 | \$20.11 | \$20.10 | (\$1.65) |
| Remote Control | \$0.20 | \$0.21 | \$0.20 | \$0.00 |
| Basic-Only Converter Non-HD | \$0.60 | \$2.50 | \$1.00 | \$0.40 |
| Basic-Only Converter HD | n/a | \$2.50 | \$2.50 | n/a |
| All Other Converter Non-HD | \$2.15 | \$4.00 | \$2.50 | \$0.35 |
| HD & HDDVR Converter | \$2.15 | \$4.00 | \$2.50 | \$0.35 |
| DTA Converter | \$1.50 | \$1.18 | \$0.50 | (\$1.00) |
| CableCARD | \$1.15 | \$1.15 | \$1.15 | \$0.00 |

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

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

/s/ Dallas Winslow
Chair

/s/ Joann T. Conaway
Commissioner

/s/ Jaymes B. Lester
Commissioner

/s/ Jeffrey J. Clark
Commissioner

Commissioner

ATTEST:

/s/ Alisa Carrow Bentley
Secretary