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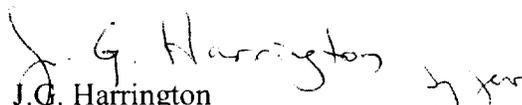
Re: Petitions of the Verizon Telephone Companies for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 160(c) in the Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Providence and Virginia Beach Metropolitan Statistical Area; WC Docket No. 06-172
Response to Staff Inquiries

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Cox Communications, Inc. ("Cox") has been asked to provide information concerning its service to customers in the Virginia Beach, Virginia and Providence, Rhode Island Metropolitan Statistical Areas as part of the above-referenced proceeding. Cox has attached to this letter a spreadsheet that includes a portion of the requested information for the Virginia Beach MSA. Cox continues to prepare the remainder of its response. At staff request, both paper and electronic versions of the chart are being provided. Due to the competitive sensitivity of the enclosed data, the attached document has been redacted for public inspection. Cox is filing contemporaneously redacted and non-redacted versions of the data pursuant to the Commission's protective orders in this proceeding.

In accordance with the requirements of Section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules, an original and one copy of this written *ex parte* communication are being filed with the Secretary's Office on this date.

Respectfully submitted,


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Attachments

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WC Docket No. 06-172

Cox Responses to Staff Inquiry - November 1, 2007

Cox Communications, Inc. ("Cox") has been asked to provide information concerning its service to customers in the Providence and Virginia Beach MSAs. This response addresses a portion of the staff inquiry as to the Virginia Beach market. Cox continues to prepare the remainder of its response as to the Virginia Beach market, and will submit it when it has completed the work necessary to extract the relevant data.

Cox notes that this information is proprietary and confidential, but in the interest of providing the Commission with the information it desires as it considers the issues in this proceeding, Cox responds to the staff inquiry as follows:

(1) Cox does not provide service or track customer locations by wire center because Cox's network does not correspond with Verizon's wire centers. In addition, Cox is not required to make any reports to regulatory agencies on the basis of Verizon wire centers and Verizon does not make information concerning the precise boundaries of its wire centers publicly available. Consequently, the information provided in this response has been approximated by correlating the information provided to Cox by Verizon in this proceeding concerning wire center boundaries with Cox's internal organization of its customer information.

(2) The staff requested that Cox provide information on the geographic coverage of its facilities. That information for the Virginia Beach MSA is provided on the sheet labeled "Coverage of Cox Facilities."

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**Coverage of Cox Facilities
in the Providence MSA**

Full coverage 75% to 95% coverage 40% to 60% coverage 10% to 30% coverage No coverage
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The coverage estimates omit multiple tenant environments (“MTEs”) where Cox does not have access. For that reason, Cox may not be able to serve all customers in even those wire centers where it has full coverage. Any service that Cox would provide to the areas that are not served by its facilities would be via resale.

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