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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary
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236 Massachusetts Avenue, N.E., Suite 110
Washington, D.C. 20002

Re: WC 08-123; Petition for Order Declaring Channel Islands Telephone Company an Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier Pursuant to Section 251(h)(2) of the Communications Act

This letter provides additional information regarding the activities of Channel Islands Telephone Company (“CITC”) in support of its petition to be declared an incumbent local exchange carrier (“ILEC”) in portions of the Channel Islands in California.

On May 15, 2008, the California Public Utilities Commission (“CPUC”) granted CITC a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide telecommunications services to and within five of the eight islands that comprise the Channel Islands, including San Miguel, Santa Rosa, Santa Barbara, Anacapa, and Santa Cruz. This project was part of a 2.5 million dollar grant provided by the State of California to deploy telecommunications services to rural and unserved areas in California.

On August 21, 2008, the CPUC authorized the Executive Director of the CPUC to enter into a contract for California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”) review of the Channel Islands Telephone Company project. An amount of \$325,000 was authorized for the CEQA review.

On June, 23, 2009, the Energy Division of the CPUC completed its review and determined that the application and project description contains sufficient information to satisfy the requirements of the CPUC Information and Criteria List.

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CITC is now undergoing the process of preparing to deploy facilities on the Channel Islands, and initial deployment is expected to begin in late 2009 and early 2010.

CITC will be providing traditional telecommunications and broadband services to the United States Park Service, Coast Guard, researchers, and residents of the Channel Islands. In addition to providing these services, CITC plans to deploy pay stations with emergency 911 access for the approximately 30,000 visitors a year who visit the Channel Islands. These pay stations will be located in visitor areas and campsites throughout the islands.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/

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