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# STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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		CABLE TELEVISION
THE MATTER OF CABLEVISION SYSTEMS ) RPORATION'S (CABLEVISION) REQUEST FOR A )	)	ORDER
WAIVER OF THE 30-DAY NOTICE PERIOD FOR FILING OF AN ALTERATION IN CHANNEL	)	
ALLOCATION PURSUANT TO N.J.A.C. 14:18-3.17	)	DOCKET NO. CO14080894

# Party of Record:

Thurman Barnes, Area Director on behalf of Cablevision Systems Corporations Inc.

### BY THE BOARD:

Cablevision Systems Corporations, Inc. (Cablevision), requested a waiver of the 30-day notice period for two (2) filings of alteration in channel allocation, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 14:18-3.17.

Cablevision maintains that the waiver requests are sought because it was unable to file notice of an alteration in channel allocation with the Office of Cable Television ("OCTV") in sufficient time to comply with the 30-day notice requirement in both instances necessary when a deletion in service occurs pursuant to N.J.A.C. 14:18-3.17.

Cablevision states in its first letter request that on July 1, 2014, it was informed by one of its program providers, Media Korean TV (MKTV) that effective July 1, 2014, MKTV which was previously broadcast on channel 1152 as a part of an Optimum Korean package, would cease airing.

Also on its second letter of July 1, 2014 Cablevision was informed by the Puerto Rican Broadcasting Company that effective July 1, 2014, Puerto Rican Network on channel 1027, a part of an Optimum Español package, would cease airing.

Cablevision asserts that subscribers and municipal officials were notified of the deletion of service on July 1, 2014. Cablevision notified the OCTV by letter on July 2, 2014.

<u>N.J.A.C.</u> 14:18 3.17(c3) provides for the relaxation of the 30-day notice period when programming service has been discontinued by the provider in a manner which prevents a cable television operator from compliance and if the cable television operator notifies the affected parties of the deletion in service at the earliest date possible.

Having reviewed this matter, the Board <u>HEREBY FINDS</u> that the two waiver requests are appropriate under the present circumstances. Cablevision notified the OCTV, subscribers and affected municipalities of the deletion of service at the earliest time possible in both cases. Therefore, the Board <u>HEREBY APPROVES</u> Cablevision's requests for waiver of the filing requirements as previously described.

This order shall be effective on October 10, 2014.

DATED: 9/30/14

BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES BY:

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# IN THE MATTER OF CABLEVISION SYSTEMS CORPORATION'S (CABLEVISION) REQUEST FOR A WAIVER OF THE 30-DAY NOTICE PERIOD FOR FILING OF AN ALTERATION IN CHANNEL ALLOCATION PURSUANT TO N.J.A.C. 14:18-3.17 DOCKET NO. CO14080894

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