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CABLE TELEVISION

IN THE MATTER OF SERVICE ELECTRIC CABLE) ORDER
TV OF HUNTERDON, INC's. REQUEST FOR)
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. CO14030214

Party of Record:

Arlean K. Lilly, Regulatory Affairs Director on behalf of Service Electric Cable TV of Hunterdon Inc.

BY THE BOARD:

By letter dated January 15, 2014, Service Electric Cable TV of Hunterdon Inc. ("SECTVH"), requested a waiver of the 30-day notice period for the filing of an alteration in channel allocation, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 14:18-3.17.

SECTVH maintains that the waiver request is sought because they were 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 necessary when a deletion in service occurs pursuant to N.J.A.C. 14:18-3.17. SECTVH states that the waiver request is necessary because on December 29, 2013 it was informed by one of its program providers, The Walt Disney Company, that effective December 31, 2013 SoapNet, which was previously broadcast on channel 119, would cease airing. As a result of the Walt Disney Company's decision to discontinue airing SoapNet, SECTVH was forced to delete the channel.

SECTVH asserts that subscribers and municipal officials were notified of the deletion of service on January 2, 2014 by on screen message and mail. The OCTV was notified by mail on January 15, 2014.

N.J.A.C. 14:18 3.17(C)3 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 **HEREBY FINDS** that the waiver is appropriate under the present circumstances. SECTVH notified the OCTV subscribers and affected municipalities of the deletion of service at the earliest time possible. Therefore, the Board **HEREBY APPROVES** SECTVH's request for a waiver of the filing requirements as previously described.


This Order shall be effective on May 30, 2014.

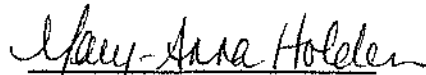
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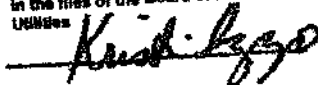

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