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AT&T SEEKS TO CONTINUE RECEIVING REDUCED STATE USF FUNDING



In 2009 the AT&T deregulation bill—*Customer Choice and Technology Investment Act*—became law. The Act provided that a local exchange carrier could elect to be deregulated for most of its services. However, the electing carrier was required to continue offering “stand-alone” local service on a regulated basis to people who were receiving that type service on the date of the election to be deregulated. For a deregulated carrier disbursements from the State Universal Service Fund (“USF”) are reduced over a two year period. At the end of the period, the deregulated carrier is no longer entitled to withdraw any funds from either the Interim LEC Fund or the State USF. There were two exceptions: (1) the carrier is entitled to continue to withdraw amounts needed to fund any state Lifeline match, and (2) the carrier may petition the Commission before the end of the second year to continue receiving an amount based only on the carrier’s stand-alone basic residential lines that were in service prior to the election that remain in service at the time of the filing.

On September 29, 2011, AT&T filed a petition with the South Carolina Public Service Commission to continue receiving State USF money for its “stand-alone” local service lines that were still in service. The petition indicates that AT&T currently services 22,907 stand-alone basic residential lines that were in service on the date the election became effective. AT&T seeks to withdraw \$1,112,111—an average of \$4.05 per line per month—during the 2012 calendar year. Prior to electing deregulation AT&T was drawing \$24.7 million from the State USF per year. The amount decreased in the first year to approximately \$20 million and dropped to \$15 million after the second year.

The Act requires that the Commission establish a process for annually reducing withdrawals based on stand-alone basic residential lines in service. In the petition AT&T also recommends that the Commission require the Company to file a calculation of the support it seeks on or before July 1st of each year for the following calendar year. The calculation would be based on the USF report provided to the Office of Regulatory Staff each year. The Commission’s hearing on the petition is scheduled for January 19, 2012.

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From the Executive Director....

I hope everyone is enjoying the cooler weather and have plans for a relaxing Thanksgiving and Christmas. The second session of the 119th SC General Assembly commences in January and your team is at work preparing for what appears to be a busy session.

The SC Cable Television Association will continue to work to move H3508, the AT&T backed legislation, which imposes the same requirements on government-owned broadband operations that are currently imposed on telecommunications operations. When session ended this June, the bill was in Senate Judiciary subcommittee (Sen. Luke Rankin – Chair, Sen. Brad Hutto & Sen. Paul Campbell).

SC Governor Nikki Haley has set her priorities for her second year in office which includes emulating Georgia's "Georgia Works" program, changing the SC tax code and reforming the SC Retirement System. The Governor has met with Georgia Governor Sonny Perdue to detail how the Georgia Works program has succeeded and how a similar program in SC can help lower the state's high unemployment rate, which has been in double digits for over a year. This program allows businesses to "hire" the unemployed for a set time for free. These workers will continue receiving unemployment benefits while learning new job skills at the host company in hopes they have a chance for permanent positions.

For two years this association monitored the SC Tax Realignment Commission (TRAC) hearings and its final report continues to collect dust on legislative shelves. However, the tax reform issue has gained a lot of traction in recent months. Not only has the Governor made this a priority in 2012, but the SC Supreme Court will hear arguments at the end of this year that challenges the constitutionality of the many SC sale tax exemptions. The lawsuit contends that the General Assembly has approved so many exceptions to the state's 6 percent sales tax that it is unconstitutional. The TRAC reported SC actually excludes from sales taxes more sales than are subject to taxation. This suit has resulted in Senate President *Pro Tempore* Glenn F. McConnell and House Speaker Bobby Harrell filing a joint brief with the court arguing SC tax policy should be implemented by the General Assembly and not the courts.

The SC State Retirement System currently owes approximately \$42 billion in pension benefits to the current 450,000 plus current and retired employees and beneficiaries, but only has about \$25 billion to pay for these benefits. Governor Haley does not want taxpayers to pay to fix this problem so it appears the 28 year retirement eligibility, cost of living adjustments and the TERI program are at risk. Additionally, lawmakers have recently received a lot of negative press regarding the special retirement system they are provided and changes are also expected to be made within the General Assembly Retirement System. Legislative leaders have already commented that retirement system reform will be the number one issue for the 2012 session.

This association continues to monitor over 70 pieces of legislation held over from last session and will certainly increase that number as bills are prefiled late this year. We will continue to discuss strategies and plans on upcoming calls and meetings.

I sincerely appreciate each of you sharing your expertise and advise as we continue to promote and protect the many interests of our industry.

Ray Sharpe

New SC Cable Television Association Officers and Board of Trustees



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SC Interim LEC Fund

The SCCTA filed a petition for the Commission to reconsider its decision not to consolidate the Interim Local Exchange Carriers Fund into the S.C. Universal Service Fund on September 20, 2011. The General Assembly created the Interim LEC Fund as part of the Act creating the State USF. The Interim LEC Fund enabled incumbent carriers to lower access charges by providing a mechanism to offset the resulting loss of revenues. Carriers electing to participate lowered their access charges and were allowed to draw funds to make up for lost revenues. The Interim LEC Fund was intended to be temporary and to last only until the USF was implemented.

As part of the proceeding the Office of Regulatory Staff presented a comparison of the Interim LEC Fund and State USF. ORS disclosed that only 49 carriers contribute to the Interim LEC Fund while 149 contribute to the State USF. The Interim LEC Fund's annual size is currently \$32 million and the USF is currently \$42 million. The USF will be reduced by approximately \$12 million in October due to AT&T's election to be deregulated so the Interim LEC and the state universal service funds will be approximately the same size.



SAVE THE DATE
SCCTA/SCCTF Board Retreat
January 18 – 20, 2012
The Sanctuary
Kiawah Island

Member News...

ATLANTIC BROADBAND INTRODUCES DRAMATICALLY FASTER INTERNET SERVICES TO POWER THE MORE INTENSIVE ONLINE PURSUITS OF FAMILIES TODAY

AIKEN, SC, Oct. 4, 2011 – Atlantic Broadband today announced dramatically faster Internet services – including a new top speed that nearly triples the company’s previous best – to power the proliferation of connected household devices and rapidly expanding online activities of families in Aiken and surrounding communities. The company’s new “Unleashed” service, at 40 megabits per second (mb/s), and “Express” service, at 20 megabits per second, offer the power to easily handle the needs of the growing number of households with multiple computers and other connected devices, including iPads or other tablets, Internet-connected game consoles and even the newest Web-enabled TVs.

“Families today are using the Internet far more intensively than they did just a few years ago, and our new, super-fast speeds will fundamentally change their online experience,” said Atlantic Broadband Vice President Sam McGill. “They can smoothly play even the most graphics-intensive online games, watch high-definition movies or TV shows that are instantly downloaded or streamed stutter-free over the Internet, easily share home video and photos over social networks, and work far more efficiently from home.”

Atlantic Broadband has invested millions of dollars in the latest technology to bring consumers the fastest Internet service available in the Aiken area. The new top-tier, 40 megabit Unleashed service is nearly three times as fast as the company’s previous best 15 megabit service, and far exceeds the top 6 megabit per second speed of DSL service offered by AT&T.

The new, faster Internet services are available beginning today for consumers in Aiken, Bath, Burnetown, Gloverville, Graniteville, Jackson, Langley, Montmorenci, New Ellenton, Vaucluse and Warrentonville. Customers can purchase any one of six Atlantic Broadband bundles that include Express (20 mb/s) or Unleashed (40 Mb/s) Internet, together with video and/or phone service. Bundles are available to both new and existing residential customers with prices starting at \$99.99. The stand-alone price for Express Internet is \$54.99 per month and, for Unleashed Internet, \$69.99 per month. Atlantic Broadband also is offering easy and affordable options for existing Internet customers to upgrade their service to the new Express or Unleashed Internet speeds.

In addition to the two new highest-speed services, Atlantic Broadband also is boosting the speed of its Preferred Internet service from 5 to 8 megabits per second. Existing customers with Preferred Internet automatically will get the speed increase at no additional cost. Atlantic Broadband double and triple-play bundles, including Preferred Internet together with video and/or phone service, begin at \$79.99 per month.

For more information on Atlantic Broadband’s new, faster Internet speeds and service bundles, consumers may call 888-536-9600 or visit online at www.atlanticbb.com. Atlantic Broadband serves 21,000 South Carolina customers in Aiken, Barnwell, Bamberg and Allendale counties. Atlantic Broadband is the 15th largest cable operator in the United States.

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Comcast launches Internet Essentials

On August 19, 2011, the Comcast Coastal Region hosted a successful Internet Essentials launch in Charleston. The event was held at the Trident Technical College, the same location where the FCC conducted a field hearing on broadband deployment in 2009. Elected officials in attendance were South Carolina state representatives Wendell Gilliard and Bill Crosby, City of Charleston councilwoman Kathleen Wilson, and City of Charleston councilman Vic Rawls. Several non-profit partners from the community, including Trident Technical College, the Carolina Youth Development Center, and Metanoia, attended. Dr. Nancy Finley, superintendent of the Charleston County School District, and Archie Franchini, deputy superintendent of the Berkeley County School District, participated in the program. Otha Meadows, CEO of the Trident Urban League, and Kris Kerrigan, CEO and President of the Trident United Way, also participated in the program.

The event was well publicized and covered extensively by the media. The morning of the event, Comcast Vice President and General Manager Bill Watson participated in radio interviews on 93 JAMZ "Da Breakfuss Club", a program of interest to African-Americans, and WTMA AM 1250 "The Big Talker" program. The *Charleston Post and Courier* ran an advanced story covering the event the morning of Friday, August 19. Additionally, the NBC affiliate ran an advanced story the morning of August 19 and ran other stories throughout the day. ABC attended the event and interviewed Bill Watson as well as other officials. A reporter from the *Charleston Business Journal* also covered the event.



Comcast Vice President and General Manager Bill Watson, Berkeley County Deputy Superintendent Archie Franchini, SC State Representative Bill Crosby, Charleston County School District Superintendent Nancy McGinley, SC State Representative Wendell Gilliard, and City of Charleston Councilwoman Kathleen Wilson, participated in the Charleston public launch event of Internet Essentials.

Internet Essentials

A household is eligible to participate in the Internet Essentials program if it meets the following criteria:

- Located in an area where Comcast offers Internet service;
- At least one child is eligible to receive a free school lunch under the National School Lunch program;
- Not subscribed to Comcast Internet service within the last 90 days;
- Does not have an overdue Comcast bill or unreturned equipment.

For more information or to sign up, go to www.internetessentials.com for English or www.internetbasico.com for Spanish or call 1-855-846-8376.

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Charter in the Community

This quarter, Charter Communications has had the opportunity to show a strong presence in the community through events and community service. We are proud to say that we participated in various back-to-school and community events such as the meet and greet for teachers at Hillcrest Middle School in Simpsonville, providing pencils, pens, Frisbees and other goodies to students and parents gearing up for the school year. The national "Stuff the Bus" campaign also allowed Charter to ensure that underprivileged students received materials to help them be successful. To help promote safer communities and educate residents on Charter's products, direct sales representatives provided promotional items for the National Night Out event held in Greer at the Oakland Apartment complex.

Live it With Charter is a thriving incentive program for Charter's loyal customers. This quarter, Charter has had numerous winners including Teddy Ledford from Asheville, North Carolina who was awarded an XBOX 360 along with the Kinect component. Charter customer, Sara Wise, of Greenville, was the Grand Prize winner for a family trip to Orlando, Florida to attend the Capital One Bowl in January. The prize package also included tickets to Disney World and all expense paid travel and hotel accommodations. Charter looks forward to awarding more prizes through Live it With Charter in the months to come.

Not only were we fortunate enough to give back to our community through tangible items but also through service and team building. Charter employees laced up their shoes to participate in the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure 5K held at Greenville's Flour Field. Employees represented Charter as they walked to raise money for research and also in support of survivors and victims of Breast Cancer. Charter's Community Connection program participated in the 4th annual Mutt Strut Dog Walk in Suffolk, VA to help raise money for the Suffolk Humane Society. In all, third quarter has been

eventful for Charter Communications and we look forward to continuing to serve our community through state-of-the-art services as well as community involvement.

Charter Adds BTN in South Carolina, Will Launch BTN2Go

August 17, 2011, SOUTH CAROLINA -- Charter Communications (NASDAQ:CHTR) today announced that it has launched BTN on channel 307 and will soon launch BTN's BTN2Go; a live 24/7 multiplatform extension of BTN for its residential and business customers in most markets throughout South Carolina. Charter first launched BTN in Big Ten Conference states in Summer of 2008.

Charter customers who receive BTN programming as part of their video service also will soon have access to BTN2Go, enabling availability on computers, tablets and mobile phones. Charter's robust high-speed Internet service provides a superior online experience enabling consumers to enjoy streaming content, including live games, on-demand original programming and archived content from the Big Ten Conference library, and all the Internet has to offer.

"Alumni and college sports fans across the country will now be able to follow their favorite teams, and get to know them, up close and personally, as well as remember the Big Ten greats of years past," said Anthony Pope, Vice President and General Manager of Charter's operations in South Carolina. "The way people stay connected, informed and entertained continues to evolve, and through BTN2Go from Charter, passionate Big Ten fans can follow their teams, from anywhere at any time – at no additional cost." BTN will be available to homes and businesses on Charter's Sports View tier in markets where the service has been launched. In tandem with the start of the Big Ten football season, BTN2Go will be available at BTN2GO.com.

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Charter Customers Score NFL Network and NFL RedZone in Time for 2011 Season

August 4, 2011, SOUTH CAROLINA – Charter and NFL Network today announced that they have reached a new, long-term agreement for carriage of NFL Network. Charter, among the largest cable and Internet service providers in the country, will also offer the innovative NFL RedZone channel to its customers. NFL Network will be available for Charter customers throughout South Carolina on channel 322 and NFL RedZone on channel 324 in time for the start of the 2011 NFL regular season.

“Charter has devoted and passionate NFL fans. We’re extremely pleased to be enhancing the value to our customers with the addition of NFL Network and NFL RedZone,” said Anthony Pope, Vice President and General Manager for Charter’s operations in South Carolina. “The total football experience for Charter customers is now much more robust – high-definition picture, stats and facts to help pick a fantasy team and in-depth analysis of performance and strategy.”

“Charter is one of the top cable systems in the country and we are excited its customers will be the newest fans to enjoy the only network dedicated entirely to football,” said John Malkin, NFL Network vice president of affiliate distribution. “In addition to our *Thursday Night Football* games, nightly news on *NFL Total Access*, Emmy award-winning NFL Films programming and every NFL preseason game, Charter customers will also be able to watch NFL RedZone –featuring every touchdown from every game on Sunday afternoons – starting on September 11.”

NFL Network is the destination for all that happens around the sport of professional football. NFL Network airs seven days a week, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year and provides viewers with nearly 2,000 hours a year of original programming, including: *NFL Total Access*, *NFL GameDay*, *Top 10*, *Playbook*, *NFL Replay*, *NFL Classic Games* plus the Emmy award-winning *Sound FX* and

America’s Game series. NFL Network is the home of *Thursday Night Football*, eight NFL regular season games leading up to the playoffs. This year’s schedule kicks off on November 10 with the Oakland Raiders at San Diego Chargers and features the new announcing team of Mike Mayock and Brad Nessler. In addition, NFL Network also features every NFL preseason game starting in August, AFL and CFL games, the Senior Bowl, plus more coverage of the NFL Draft, Hall of Fame ceremony, NFL Scouting Combine and Super Bowl than anyone else. NFL RedZone, produced by NFL Network, whips around every NFL game on Sunday afternoons, delivering the touchdowns and most exciting moments as they happen and in high definition. When a team goes inside the 20-yard line, fans see the crucial plays live. The channel keeps fans up-to-date in real time, switching from game to game with live look-ins, highlights and a chance to see every important play. For more information on NFL RedZone, visit www.nfl.com/redzonetv. NFL Network will be available to Charter customers on the *Digital View Plus* tier and in high definition to customers with high-definition service and HDTVs. NFL RedZone will be available on Charter’s sports tiers.

Charter Launches HBO GO[®] and MAX GO[®], Latest Online & Mobile Offerings from HBO[®]

July 21, 2011, SOUTH CAROLINA – Charter Communications, Inc. (NASDAQ: CHTR) today announced that it has launched HBO’s new authenticated online video destinations – HBO GO[®] and MAX GO[®] – with free unlimited online access available to its customers who subscribe to HBO and/or Cinemax. Access is available to customers on any computer in the U.S. with a high-speed connection as well as on the iPhone[®], iPad[®] and select Android™ devices with a minimum 3G connection.

“Charter is taking another step to bring quality video content to our customers when they want it and where they want it,” said Anthony Pope, Vice President and General Manager of Charter’s operations in South Carolina. “If you’re not.....(continued on page 8).

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Charter Launches HBO GO[®] continued from page 7.... home for the latest episode of a favorite series or an anticipated new release, you can now watch while you're on the go. The convenience of DVRs and on demand capabilities were just the beginning. With GO, our customers can enjoy great HBO and Cinemax programming from just about anywhere." With HBO GO, Charter customers with Charter TV[®] who subscribe to HBO have free, unlimited access to more than 1,400 titles online, including every episode of every season of the best HBO shows, HBO Films, HBO Miniseries, documentaries, HBO Sports and blockbuster movies at any time and from any location in the U.S. with a broadband connection. MAX GO adds more than 400 titles of Cinemax programming online, allowing customers to instantly watch the biggest Hollywood blockbusters, indies, cult favorites and MAX After Dark series while on the go. Both services offer most programming in HD.

HBO GO and MAX GO offer Charter TV customers most new titles simultaneously with their premiere on HBO and Cinemax. Customers can browse the HBO GO website for movies, documentaries, and original series as well as exclusive bonus material, soundtrack and cast information. Customers can also create a "Watchlist" that keeps track of bookmarked content for later viewing. In addition, HBO GO and MAX GO can be personalized through a "Series Pass[®]" capability, which automatically sends new episodes of favorite original series when they arrive on the service.

Charter's robust high-speed Internet service provides a superior online experience enabling consumers to enjoy streaming content, including this robust library from HBO GO and MAX GO, and all the Internet has to offer. To view online, Charter's HBO and Cinemax viewers can go to hbogo.com and maxgo.com or simply go to charter.net/hbo and charter.net/cinemax. Once there, customers sign in with their Charter user ID and password, make their selections and view.

TIME WARNER CABLE NEWS



CONGRATULATIONS to Charlene Keys, SC Area Vice-President, Time Warner Cable, for being named as one of America's most influential minorities in cable by CableFAX. Keys is the market leader of operations in her state, serving more than 433,000 residential subscribers. Her best tip: "Be a catalyst for change. Share your knowledge and always look for opportunities to grow your knowledge. Never be afraid to make a mistake; take calculated risks. Give back to our community and to others who are deserving of an opportunity."

JACOBS JOINS SC CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BOARD

Mary Anne Jacobs with Time Warner Cable has been elected to serve on the South Carolina Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors. Jacobs, Senior Director Government Relations for Time Warner Cable in Alabama, Virginia, North Carolina and South Carolina, is responsible for monitoring the legislative and regulatory environment and communicating the company's position on legislation and public policy. She is the Lobbyist Principal for the South Carolina Cable Television Association and is a member of the South Carolina Cable Television Foundation Board of Directors. The South Carolina Chamber of Commerce is the single, unified voice of business. The Chamber works to enhance the quality of life for all South Carolinians. The South Carolina Chamber leads the way in achieving global competitiveness and ultimately increasing prosperity for citizens residing in South Carolina. Jacobs joins the Board for the 2011-2012 term.

SOUTH CAROLINA LEGISLATIVE UPDATE



The First Session of the General Assembly adjourned in July. The next regular session will begin in early January.

Federal Suit Claims SC's New Immigration Law Unconstitutional

South Carolina's comprehensive Immigration Reform Act was passed at the end of the legislative session and is scheduled to go into effect January 1, 2012. (2011 Act 69, Senate Bill 20). The American Civil Liberties Union filed a lawsuit in federal district court on October 12th on behalf of civil rights groups challenging the constitutionality of the comprehensive immigration law. *Lowcountry Immigration Coalition et al v. Nikki Haley et al*. The lawsuit alleges that the General Assembly enacted the Act as a comprehensive solution to the perceived problem of the federal government's failure to regulate immigration in the state with the express goal of driving illegal immigrants out of the state. Among other things, the legislation requires anyone 18 or older to carry federal alien registration documentation while in South Carolina. Only four categories of identification documents are approved to provide a presumption of immigration status. The Act also allows a law enforcement officer to check the immigration status of anyone they stop or detain. The Act establishes the Illegal Immigration Enforcement Unit within the S.C. Department of Public Safety to enforce immigration laws. The new law criminalizes transporting or harboring a person who has come to the U.S. in violation of immigration laws. Public and private employers are required to use the federal work authorization program, E-Verify to verify the employment authorization of all new employees. The Act deleted provisions of the current law that allowed the use of alternative forms of identification other than E-Verify.

The case asserts that the Act "has created a punitive and comprehensive state immigration system that, among other things: (1) mandates that state and local law enforcement officers engage in immigration enforcement; (2) creates new criminal immigration laws specific to and wholly administered by the State of South Carolina; and (3) creates a South Carolina-specific alien registration system." The complaint alleges that the Act is unconstitutional in several ways. It violates the U.S. Constitution's Supremacy Clause by attempting to regulate immigration—a function committed exclusively to the federal government. The complaint asserts that Congress has created a comprehensive set of federal laws, agencies and procedures dealing with immigration. The extensive statutory system leaves no room for supplemental state immigration laws. The complaint alleges that the Act also violates the Fourth Amendment's prohibition against unreasonable searches and seizures and the Fourteenth Amendment's guarantees to equal protection and due process. The plaintiffs allege that individuals perceived as "foreign" by state or local officers will be in constant jeopardy of harassment and unlawfully prolonged detention and arrest. All South Carolinians will be required to carry state-approved identity documentation to prevent lengthy investigations into their immigration status. The Act is similar to other laws being challenged by the ACLU in other states.

STATE-ISSUED CERTIFICATES OF FRANCHISE AUTHORITY

As of October 11, 2011, the South Carolina Secretary of State has issued the following certificates of franchise authority. Changes from the last newsletter are highlighted in red:

- ATLANTIC BROADBAND.....Aiken, Aiken County, Allendale, Bamberg, Bamberg County, Barnwell, Burnetown, Denmark, Fairfax, Jackson, New Ellenton, Snelling, Williston
- BALDWIN COUNTY INTERNET/.....Beaufort County, Charleston County, Greenville, Greenville County
DSSI SERVICE, LLC
- BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, ...Anderson, Anderson County, Arcadia Lakes, Bamberg County, Belton, Berkeley
INC. d/b/a AT&T SOUTH CAROLINA County, Blythewood, Calhoun County, Camden, Cayce, Central, Chapin, Charleston,
Charleston County, Cheraw, Cherokee County, Chesterfield County, Clemson,
Clover, Colleton County, Columbia, Cordova, Dorchester County, Duncan, Easley,
Edisto Beach, Elgin, Fairfield County, Folly Beach, Forest Acres, Fountain Inn,
Gaffney, Gaston, Goose Creek, Greenville, Greenville County, Greer, Hanahan,
Hollywood, Irmo, Isle of Palms, James Island, Kiawah Island, Kershaw County,
Laurens County, Lexington County, Liberty, Lincolnville, Little Mountain, Lyman,
- BellSouth (continued)..... Mauldin, McConnells, Mount Pleasant, Newberry County, North Charleston, Oconee
County, Orangeburg, Orangeburg County, Pickens, Pickens County, Pine Ridge,
Ravenel, Reidville, Richland County, Seabrook Island, Seneca, Six Mile, South
Congaree, Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, Springdale, Sullivan's Island,
Summerville, Travelers Rest, Walhalla, West Columbia, West Pelzer, Williamston,
York, York County
- BERKELEY CABLE TV, INC.....Berkeley County, Bonneau, Charleston, Goose Creek, Harleyville, Jamestown,
Moncks Corner, North Charleston, St. Stephens
- BROADBAND EXPERIENCE.....Central, Clemson, Pickens County
d/b/a FAMILY VIEW CABLEVISION
- CAROLINA TELECOM SERVICES.....Hickory Grove, Sharon
- CATAWBA SERVICES, LLCRock Hill
- CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS, LLC.....Abbeville, Anderson County, Campobello, Chesnee, Clinton, Cowpens, Duncan,
Easley, Greer, Greenville, Greenville County, Honea Path, Inman, Jonesville,
Landrum, Laurens, Mauldin, Newberry County, Oconee County, Pelzer, Pickens
County, Reidville, Salem, Six Mile, Spartanburg, Spartanburg County, Starr, Travelers
Rest, Union, Wellford, West Pelzer, Whitmire, Woodruff
- CHESNEE COMMUNICATIONS.....Cherokee County, Chesnee, Spartanburg County
- CHESTER COMMUNICATIONS, LLC
DBA TRUVISTA.....Chester
- COMCAST OF CAROLINA..... Berkeley County, Charleston, Dorchester County, Edisto Beach, Goose Creek,
Hampton County, Hanahan, Isle of Palms, James Island, Mount Pleasant, Sullivan's
Island, Summerville
- COMCAST OF GEORGIA/SC II.....Beaufort County, Charleston, Edisto Beach, Hampton County, Hollywood, Meggett,
Mount Pleasant, Town of Seabrook Island
- COMCAST OF GEORGIA/SC INC.....Aiken County, Burnetown, Hampton County, North Augusta

State-Issued Certificates of Franchise Authority *continued...*

TIME WARNER ENTERTAINMENT..... Calhoun County, Cayce, Columbia, Conway, Florence County, Forest Acres, ADVANCE/NEWHOUSE PRTSHP Georgetown County, Hemingway, Irmo, Lane, Lee County, Lexington, Lexington County, Myrtle Beach, Myrtle Beach Air Force Base, Orangeburg, Orangeburg County, Pamplico, Pine Ridge, Quinby, Richland County, **Saluda County**, South Congaree, Springdale, Surfside Beach, Sumter, Sumter County, West Columbia

TIME WARNER ENTERTAINMENT
ADVANCE/NEWHOUSE PTRSHP.....Clover, Fort Mill, York County
-CHARLOTTE DIVISION

TIME WARNER NY CABLE, LLC..... Beaufort County, Bishopville, Bluffton, Cheraw, Darlington County, Dillon County, , Georgetown County, Goose Creek, Hardeeville, Hilton Head, Jasper County, Lakeview, Marion County, McBee, Moncks Corner, Nichols

VIDEO VISION, INC.....Fort Lawn, Heath Springs, Kershaw, Lancaster, Lancaster County

YRT2, INC.....Berkeley County, Columbia, Dorchester County, Greenville, Greenville County, Horry County, Myrtle Beach, Summerville

FCC BRIEFS

The following documents can be downloaded from the FCC's website at <http://www.fcc.gov>

On August 10, 2011, the FCC unveiled its strategy to improve deployment of next generation 911. Under the 5 step plan the FCC will (1) develop automatic location accuracy mechanisms for NG-911, (2) facilitate the completion and implementation of NG-911 technical standards for the hardware and software that carriers and PSAPs use to communicate 911 information, (3) work with state 911 authorities, other federal agencies, and other governing entities to provide technical expertise and develop a coordinate approach to NG-911 governance, and (4) develop an NG-911 funding Model focused on the cost-effectiveness of the infrastructure linking PSAPs to carriers, and (5) enable consumers to send text, photos and videos to PSAPs. On September 22nd, the FCC sought comments on ways to modernize the current voice-based 911 system to NG-911. FCC 11-134

On August 25, 2011, the FCC issued a Report and Order reinstating video description rules adopted in 2000 with some modifications effective October 8, 2011. The revised rules will afford better access to television programming for blind or visually impaired persons. FCC 11-126.

On September 19, 2011 the FCC released a public notice asking for information on the special access market including prices, revenues and expenditures.

On September 22, 2011 The FCC's Public Safety & Homeland Security Bureau released a white paper *The Role of Deployable Aerial Communications Architecture in Emergency Communications and Recommended Next Steps* that outlines a vision for how "deployable aerial communications architecture" can be used to provide communications following a catastrophic event when terrestrial communications infrastructure is severely damaged or unavailable.

On October 6, 2011, the FCC outlined a plan to reform and modernize the Universal Service Fund and Intercarrier Compensation system. The proposal would transition USF to a Connect America Fund to provide broadband to unserved areas. It would also ensure universal availability of mobile broadband through a new Mobility Fund which would be part of the Connect America Fund. A competitive bidding process would be used among providers for obtaining universal service support which would transition over time to a fully competitive system for distributing Connect American Fund dollars. The FCC will vote on the proposal on October 27th.