

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

IN RE:

**APPLICATION OF CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS
FOR A STATE-ISSUED CERTIFICATE OF
FRANCHISE AUTHORITY**

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**DOCKET NO.
08-00169**

FOURTH AMENDED CERTIFICATE OF FRANCHISE AUTHORITY

On March 28, 2017, pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 7-59-301, *et seq.*, also known as the Competitive Cable and Video Services Act (“CCVSA”), Charter Communications Operating, LLC (“Charter”) filed a Fourth Amendment to its Certificate of Franchise Authority. In its Fourth Amendment, Charter includes areas that are currently served by Time Warner Cable Midwest LLC, an indirect, wholly-owned subsidiary of Charter. Upon such filing, the Tennessee Regulatory Authority hereby issues the Fourth Amended Certificate of Franchise Authority to supplement Charter’s original Certificate of Franchise Authority and its previous amendments thereto.¹

BE IT HEREBY AMENDED.


Earl R. Taylor
Executive Director

¹ First Amended Certificate of Franchise Authority (February 21, 2012), Second Amended Certificate of Franchise Authority (June 29, 2015) and Third Amended Certificate of Franchise Authority (May 19, 2016).



TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY
Andrew Jackson Building
502 Deaderick Street 4th Floor
Nashville, Tennessee 37243-0505

April 6, 2017

City of Bolivar
ATTN: Mayor Barrett Stevens
211 North Washington St.
Bolivar, TN 38008

RE: **NOTICE** of TRA Receipt of Application for or Amendment to Certificate of Franchise Authority
and **OFFICIAL REQUEST** for Information

Dear Mayor Stevens:

On March 28, 2017, Charter Communications Operating, LLC filed with the Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("TRA" or "Department") an amendment to expand its state-issued franchise service area to include your municipality. By this time, you should have already received notice from Charter of its intention to serve your area. You may access this and other related filings on the TRA's website at <http://www.tn.gov/tra/dockets/0800169.htm>. The Department is required to send this notice so that you may act to preserve your Public, Educational and Governmental ("PEG") channels and PEG access support payments under Tenn. Code Ann. § 7-59-309.¹

If an incumbent cable TV provider currently serves your municipality,² and that provider's franchise requires that it provide PEG channels or access payments, then you may be able to receive the same number of PEG channels and equivalent support payments from Charter. But, in order to claim these benefits, you must provide the TRA with information about the PEG channels negotiated under your incumbent provider's franchise *within ten (10) days* from the date you received notice from Charter that it intended to provide cable or video service to your municipality, specifically:

- (1) The number of PEG channels that have been activated by the incumbent;
- (2) The number of PEG channels that are authorized to be activated under the incumbent franchise; and,
- (3) The amount of any fee or other payment for PEG access support required under the incumbent franchise.³

Please use the enclosed self-addressed envelope to send the above information to:

Tennessee Regulatory Authority
ATTN: Docket Room (08-00169)
502 Deaderick Street 4th Floor
Nashville, TN 37243

If you have already forwarded this information to the TRA upon receipt of the notice from the applicant or state-issued franchise service provider in accordance with Tenn. Code Ann. § 7-59-309(a), please disregard this request. Should you have any questions or concerns regarding this matter, please feel free to contact me at (615) 770-6889 or at the address listed above. Thank you for your cooperation and prompt attention in this matter.

Sincerest Regards,

John Hutton
Telecommunications Consultant

¹ See Tenn. Code Ann. § 7-59-314(b)(1).

² This means the franchised cable service provider with the most subscribers in your municipality on January 1, 2008, whether or not the local franchise agreement had expired on July 1, 2008 (Tenn. Code Ann. § 7-59-309(a)(1)).

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April 6, 2017

Claiborne County
ATTN: Mayor Jack C. Daniels
Town Hall
Tazewell, TN 37879

RE: **NOTICE** of TRA Receipt of Application for or Amendment to Certificate of Franchise Authority
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Dear Mayor Daniels:

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April 12, 2017

Charter Communications, Inc.
ATTN: Ms. Amanda Lanham,
Director of Local Government Affairs and Franchising
71 Mt. Hope Avenue
Rochester, NY 14620

RE: Amendment to State-issued Certificate of Franchise Authority (Docket No. 08-00169)

Dear Ms. Lanham:

On March 28, 2017, the Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("TRA") received your application on behalf of Charter Communications Operating, LLC ("Charter") to issue the fourth amendment to Charter's state-issued certificate of franchise authority pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 7-59-301, *et seq.*, also known as the Competitive Cable and Video Services Act (the "CCVSA").

Upon review, it has been determined that the application complies with the statutory requirements of the CCVSA and is therefore complete. Further action will be taken on the application as delineated within the CCVSA. Should you have any questions or concerns in this matter, please contact me at (615) 770-6889 or the address listed above. Thank you for your interest and cooperation.

Sincerest Regards,

John Hutton

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April 6, 2017

City of Brownsville
ATTN: Mayor Bill Rawls
111 North Washington Ave.
Brownsville, TN 38012

RE: **NOTICE** of TRA Receipt of Application for or Amendment to Certificate of Franchise Authority
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Dear Mayor Rawls:

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City of Dyer
ATTN: Mayor Chris Younger
105 South Main St.
Dyer, TN 38330

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