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Chairman Robin Morrison Tennessee Public Utilities Commission 502 Deaderick Street, Fourth Floor Nashville, TN 37243 RECEIVED

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Re:

Application for Spectrum Southeast, LLC, to Amend Its Certificate of Franchise Authority, Docket

No. 08-00169

Dear Chairman Morrison:

Enclosed for filing in the above referenced docket are the original and four copies of Spectrum Southeast, LLC's Eleventh Amendment to its Certificate of Franchise Authority. Spectrum Southeast, LLC is an indirect subsidiary of Charter Communications, Inc. ("Charter").

Charter respectfully requests that this matter be placed on the Tennessee Public Utility Commission's next regularly scheduled Conference Agenda for consideration and approval.

Sincerely,

Amanda Lanham

Senior Director, Local Government Affairs & Franchising

**Charter Communications** 

# BEFORE THE TENNESSEE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

In the Matter of

APPLICATION OF CHARTER	)	
COMMUNICATIONS OPERATING LLC	C )	
APPLICATION FOR A STATE-ISSUED	)	DOCKET NO. 08-00169
CERTIFICATE OF FRANCHISE	)	
AUTHORITY	)	

# ELEVENTH AMENDMENT TO SPECTRUM SOUTHEAST, LLC'S CERTIFICATE OF FRANCHISE AUTHORITY

Pursuant to the Competitive Cable and Video Services Act, Spectrum Southeast, LLC, an indirect subsidiary of Charter Communications, Inc. ("Charter"), seeks to amend its Certificate of Franchise Authority. In support of this request, Charter states as follows:

- 1. The Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("TRA") granted Charter a Certificate of Franchise on October 7, 2008.
- 2. On January 13, 2012, Charter filed its First Amendment to its Certificate of Franchise Authority, which the TRA granted on February 21, 2012.
- 3. On June 22, 2015, Charter filed its Second Amendment to its Certificate of Franchise Authority, which the TRA granted on June 29, 2015.
- 4. On May 10, 2016, Charter filed its Third Amendment to its Certificate of Franchise Authority, which the TRA granted on May 19, 2016.
- 5. March 28, 2017, Charter filed its Fourth Amendment to its Certificate of Franchise Authority, which the TRA granted on April 6, 2017.
- 6. On August 7, 2017, Charter filed its Fifth Amendment to its Certificate of Franchise Authority, which the TRA granted on August 14, 2017.

- 7. On October 8, 2018, Charter filed to renew is Certificate of Franchise Authority, which the Tennessee Public Utilities Commission ("PUC") on October 25, 2018.
- 8. On December 27, 2018, Charter provided notice to the PUC that, effective January 1, 2019, it would assign its Certificate of Franchise Authority to Spectrum Southeast, LLC.
- 9. On August 1, 2019, Charter filed its Sixth Amendment to its Certificate of Franchise Authority to transfer the service areas listed on Trenton TV Cable Company's Certificate of Franchise Authority to Spectrum Southeast, LLC, which the PUC granted on August 23, 2019.
- 10. On November 29, 2021, Charter filed its Seventh Amendment to its Certificate of Franchise Authority, which the PUC granted on December 8, 2021.
- 11. On February 2, 2022, Charter filed its Eighth Amendment to its Certificate of Franchise Authority, which the PUC granted on February 22, 2022.
- 12. On June 23, 2022, Charter filed its Ninth Amendment to its Certificate of Franchise Authority, which the PUC granted on July 8, 2022.
- 13. On February 3, 2023, filed its Tenth Amendment to its Certificate of Franchise Authority, which the PUC granted on March 2, 2023.
- 14. Charter now asks to add the following areas to its Certificate of Franchise Authority: Unincorporated Alcorn County; City of Finger (McNairy County); Town of Michie (McNairy County); City of Middleton (Hardeman County); City of Niota (McMinn County); City of Philadelphia (Loudon County); Town of Silerton (Hardeman County); and the Town of Stantonville (McNairy County). In addition, on or about April 15, 2023, Charter acquired the Tennessee assets of Pickwick Cablevision, Inc. ("Pickwick"). Pickwick served the

unincorporated area of Hardin County, which Charter already had the authority serve. Charter asks the PUC to terminate Pickwick's Certificate of Franchise Authority.

15. Pursuant to TCA § 7-59-305, the required affidavit is attached as Exhibit A.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amanda Lanham

## **AFFIDAVIT OF PAUL ABBOTT**

#### DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

- I, Paul Abbott, in accordance with the requirements of the Competitive Cable and Video Services Act, affirm that the following statements are true and correct:
- I am Vice President, Local Government Affairs and Franchising with Charter
   Communications, Inc., the parent company of Spectrum Southeast, LLC ("Charter"). Charter is the holder of a state issued Certificate of Franchise Authority, which was renewed by the Tennessee Public Utilities Commission on October 25, 2018.
- 2. Pursuant to the TCA § 7-59-305(b)(2)(B), Charter has enclosed a filing fee of \$500.
- 3. Charter plans to begin providing cable service for purchase to the <u>Unincorporated Alcorn</u>

  County; City of Finger (McNairy County); Town of Michie (McNairy County); City of

  Middleton (Hardeman County); City of Niota (McMinn County); City of Philadelphia

  (Loudon County); Town of Silerton (Hardeman County); and the Town of Stantonville

  (McNairy County) (collectively "the New Service Areas") within twenty-four months of the date of the amendment of the certificate of franchise authority.
- 4. Pursuant to TCA § 7-59-305(c)(4), Charter will indemnify and hold harmless the state, municipality, county and any employee or representative of the state, municipality or county, as well as any political subdivision of the state and any employee or representative of the political subdivision, individually and collectively, referred to in TCA § 7-59-318 as the "indemnitee."
- 5. Pursuant to the TCA § 7-59-305(c)(9), Charter will comply with the Competitive Cable and Video Services Act, including the applicable non-discrimination and service deployment

- requirements of TCA § 7-59-311. Further, Charter acknowledges the provisions of TCA § 7-59-312 regarding the enforcement of non-discrimination and deployment requirements.
- 6. Charter will provide notice to the New Service Areas regarding their right to implement a franchise fee consistent with Competitive Cable and Video Services Act.
- 7. Charter will provide notice to the New Service Areas ten days prior to activating service.
- 8. Charter's principal executive officers are listed on Attachment A.
- 9. Marva Johnson, Michael Chowaniec, Ellen Call, and Zachary Bates are authorized to represent Charter before the PUC.
- 10. Pursuant to TCA §§ 7-59-305(c)(6) and 7-59-305(d)(3), Charter, as an incumbent cable operator, is deemed by operation of law to have the managerial, financial and technical qualifications to provide cable service.
- 11. Pursuant to TCA § 7-59-305(c)(7), Charter strives to resolve any complaints concerning its cable service as expeditiously as possible. Should a customer have any complaint regarding quality of service, equipment malfunctions, or similar matters, the customer should first contact Spectrum Customer Service (available 24 hours a day) at 855-757-7328 for residential customers. If a complaint remains unresolved, the customer may elect to mail a complaint to Spectrum, Attention: Customer Complaint, 2 Digital Place, 4th floor, Simpsonville, SC 29681.

Signature

Printed Name and Title

## DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Sworn and subscribed before me, this 4th day of March, 2024.

Terri Lee Weldon

My Commission Expires: Notary Public, District of Columbia
My Commission Expires October 31, 2026



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#### ATTACHMENT A

#### PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

Christopher L. Winfrey President and CEO
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Richard J. DiGeronimo President, Product and Technology

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Secretary

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