

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

In the matter of Joint Application of Charter Communications, Inc.; Charter Fiberlink CA-CCO, LLC (U6878C); Time Warner Cable Inc.; Time Warner Cable Information Services (California), LLC (U6874C) ; Advance/Newhouse Partnership; Bright House Networks, LLC; and Bright House Networks Information Services (California), LLC (U6955C) Pursuant to California Public Utilities Code Section 854 for Expedited Approval of the Transfer of Control of both Time Warner Cable Information Services (California), LLC (U6874C) and Bright House Networks Information Services (California), LLC (U6955C) to Charter Communications, Inc., and for Expedited Approval of a pro forma transfer of control of Charter Fiberlink CA-CCO, LLC (U6878C).

Application 15-07-009
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MOTION OF CITY OF GONZALES REQUESTING PARTY STATUS

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I. Introduction

Pursuant to Rules 1.4(a)(4) and 11.1 of the California Public Utilities Commission's ("Commission") Rules of Practice and Procedure, the City of Gonzales respectfully moves for party status in the above captioned proceeding.

II. City of Gonzales' Interest in this Proceeding

The City of Gonzales is an incorporated city in Monterey County, California. Gonzales is an area served by Charter Communications, Inc. (Charter) using the state video franchise rules administered by the California Public Utilities Commission. Charter intends to purchase

additional cable television systems from Time Warner Cable, Inc. and Bright House Networks LLC and consolidate the operations, maintenance, management and capital improvement of those systems with the systems that it currently owns, including the system that serves the City of Gonzales.

The City of Gonzales regulated cable television service through local regulations and franchise agreement prior to the Digital Infrastructure and Video Competition Act of 2006 (DIVCA). The California Public Utilities Commission now regulates cable television service in the City of Gonzales.

Gonzales, California has 8,187 residents that could be adversely affected if the pending applications in this proceeding are granted. It should be noted that the Cities of Greenfield, King and Soledad, the unincorporated communities of Castroville and Chualar, and other unincorporated areas within Monterey County, which encompass tens of thousands more residents, are also served by this system or systems that are adjacent to it.

Gonzales and these other communities have analog cable service provided by Charter Communications. This system(s) is outdated and provides television channels that are not compliant with the new Advanced Television Systems Committee standard.

Further, this system(s) is not capable of providing broadband Internet access service. In the above referenced application, the applicants attested “Charter's broadband Internet services deliver an industry-leading minimum of 60+ Mbps to the vast majority of its 4.8 million residential broadband customers, including to virtually all of its current customers in California.”

The City of Gonzales intends to request the California Public Utilities Commission condition the pending action to insure the intent of DIVCA is met, correct the record

regarding the extent of Charter's broadband Internet access service footprint and condition the pending action on a binding requirement that Charter immediately upgrade all of its analog and otherwise substandard systems to be capable of providing broadband Internet access service at the same level of service it misleadingly claims to offer to "virtually all of its current customers in California."

II. Notice

Service of notices, orders, and other correspondence in this proceeding should be directed to the City of Gonzales at the address set forth below:

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III. Conclusion

The City of Gonzales' participation in this proceeding will not prejudice any party, and will not delay the schedule or broaden the appropriate scope of the issues in the proceeding. For the reasons stated above, the City of Gonzales respectfully requests that the Commission grant the City of Gonzales party status.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: September 21, 2015

s/s Rene L. Mendez

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**[PROPOSED] ORDER GRANTING PARTY STATUS TO
THE CITY OF GONZALES**

Having considered the arguments of the parties, and good cause appearing,

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. The City of Gonzales is hereby a party to the above-captioned proceeding.

IT IS SO ORDERED

Dated: _____

Administrative Law Judge