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Pursuant to Rule 8.4 of the Rules of Practice and Procedure ("Rules") of the California Public Utilities Commission ("Commission"), Charter Communications, Inc. ("Charter") hereby gives notice of an *ex parte* oral communication relating to the above-captioned proceeding.

On Tuesday, April 2, 2019, from approximately 1:35 PM to 1:55 PM, Charter representative James W. McTarnaghan met with Elizabeth Podolinsky, Adviser to President Michael Picker, at the Commission's offices at 505 Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco. The meeting was initiated by Charter, and no written materials were provided.

At the meeting, Mr. McTarnaghan responded to statements reported in the March 29, 2019 Notice of Ex Parte Communications filed by the Public Advocates Office ("Cal PA") related to the pending Motion to Compel discovery responses concerning progress reports filed

by Charter consistent with Merger Condition 2(h). Mr. McTarnaghan explained Charter's position that the data sought by Cal PA was not necessary to verify the progress report and further discussed the compromise position proposed by Charter, which Cal PA rejected in negotiations, in which Charter offered to provide information on households passed and maximum advertised upload speeds by franchise community rather than census block. Mr. McTarnaghan indicated that such information was adequate to verify the progress reports and, in fact, was the basis for the figures provided to the Commission in the progress reports provided to the Commission. Mr. McTarnaghan also contradicted representations by Cal PA that Charter had refused to provide any data requested and noted that Charter had provided information to Cal PA in February 2018 which supported the progress report and which showed that all but a few rural communities had been upgraded to download speeds of at least 300 Mbps well in advance of the December 2019 compliance deadline.

This notice is being filed in Application 15-07-009, and copies are being served on ALJ Karl Bemesderfer, President Michael Picker, and all parties on the Official Service List in this proceeding.

Questions regarding this Notice of *Ex Parte* Communication may be directed to Charter's attorney, James McTarnaghan, as noted below.

Respectfully submitted April 4, 2019, at San Francisco, California.

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