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 (Filed July 2, 2015)

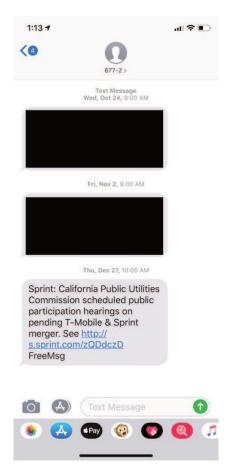
RESPONSE OF STOP THE CAP! TO THE MOTION OF THE PUBLIC ADVOCATES OFFICE FOR LEAVE TO FILE UNDER SEAL UNREDACTED VERSIONS OF ATTACHMENTS TO MOTION TO COMPEL

Pursuant to Rule 11.1(e) of the the California Public Utilities Commission's (CPUC or Commission) Rules of Practice and Procedure, and the January 18 2019 email to Stop the Cap! from the Docket Office, we hereby respond to the Motion of the Public Advocates Office for Leave to File Under Seal Unredacted Versions of Attachments to Motion to Compel. Stop the Cap! strongly objects to the Public Advocates Office's Motion for Leave to File Under Seal. These attachments should be made available for PUBLIC viewing in their full, un-redacted forms, NOT filed under seal. The best way to ascertain the veracity of Charter's compliance claims is to fully publish, without redactions, the attachments to the Motion to Compel. Only then can consumers, cities, and press meaningfully assist in fact-checking.

Stop the Cap! urges the Commission to consider why Charter has labelled this information as confidential in the first place. Charter does not face broadband competition in most of its service area, so making this information public would not create any competitive harm. And if the confidentiality is intended to keep possible competition OUT of Charter's service area, then the Commission should not assist in anti-competitive behavior.

We also point out that Charter has sought to hide information from the public in this proceeding before. Charter defied a Commission order to notify its customers of the Los Angeles PPH (See Stop the Cap!'s Motion for Judicial Notice dated 4/24/2016). Applicants offered the excuse that the Commission did not intend for them to comply with the ruling (See Applicants' response to above motion p. 4), and stated ludicrously that the ruling didn't give them time to make the required notification to electronically billed customers (while they somehow managed in the same time period to notify paper billed customers, though that notification was buried pages into the bill, in small print, under a misleading heading).

Charter's defiance and obfuscation stands in stark contrast to the way another current Applicant dealt with the same CPUC notification process, as shown by a SMS message I recently received:



Further, Stop the Cap! outlined five additional distinct examples of attempted obfuscation

in its March 11 "Reply Brief of Stop the Cap!" (page 15). The NYPUC has claimed Charter was

untruthful about its compliance to that Commission, and now Charter is apparently refusing to

provide this Commission with the data the CPUC needs to determine compliance in California.

So enough with the filing under seal. Enough with hiding facts and information from the

public. The Commission has expressed a goal towards increasing transparency. Those words are

utterly meaningless unless followed up by action. Releasing this information publicly would be a

good step in that direction.

Respectfully submitted 14 January 2019,

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