#### **BEFORE THE**

## PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

### DT 12-084

# TIME WARNER ENTERTAINMENT CO., LP D/B/A TIME WARNER CABLE Petition for Resolution of Dispute with Public Service Company of New Hampshire

## COMCAST'S PETITION TO INTERVENE

NOW COMES Comcast Cable Communications Management, LLC, Comcast of New Hampshire, Inc., Comcast of Massachusetts/New Hampshire, LLC and Comcast of Maine/New Hampshire, Inc. ("Comcast"), by and through their undersigned attorneys, and, pursuant to RSA 541-A:32, I (b) and N.H. Admin. Rule Puc 203.17, respectfully request that Comcast be permitted to intervene in the above-captioned matter. In support of this Petition, Comcast states as follows:

1. On May 2, 2012, the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission ("the Commission") issued an Order of Notice in the above-captioned docket describing the issues raised in a petition filed by Time Warner Entertainment Company, LP d/b/a Time Warner Cable ("Time Warner") and establishing May 21, 2012 as the deadline for intervention petitions.

2. As indicated at pages 2 to 3 of the above-referenced Order of Notice, this docket concerns: the requirements of pole attachment agreements between Time Warner and Public Service Company of New Hampshire ("PSNH") and whether those requirements have been met; the manner in which pole attachment rates are set; and the just, reasonable and appropriate rates for pole attachments.

3. Like Time Warner, Comcast is a party to agreements with PSNH governing the rates, terms and conditions for the attachment of Comcast's cables to poles owned jointly or solely by PSNH.

4. Inasmuch as this docket concerns the generic issues of how pole attachment rates are set, and the just, reasonable and appropriate rates for those attachments, Comcast's rights, duties, privileges, immunities and other substantial interests will be affected by this docket. *See* RSA 541-A:32, I. (b).

5. Upon information and belief, PSNH's pole attachment agreements with Time Warner are similar to its agreements Comcast. Thus, to the extent that this docket concerns the proper interpretation of provisions or language in Time Warner's agreements with PSNH that are similar or identical to provisions in Comcast's agreements with PSNH, Comcast's rights, duties, privileges, immunities and other substantial interests will be affected. *Id.* 

6. Given that Comcast's interests will be directly affected by the outcome of this docket, the interests of justice will be promoted by allowing Comcast to intervene. *See* RSA 541-A:32, I. (c). In addition, the orderly and prompt conduct of these proceedings will not be impaired by granting this Petition. *Id.* On the contrary, because Comcast's concerns are similar to Time Warner's, allowing Comcast to intervene in this docket is administratively more efficient than opening a separate docket to consider identical issues as they relate to Comcast.

7. In view of the foregoing, and because this Petition is filed within the time period prescribed by the Commission's Order of Notice dated May 2, 2012, Comcast qualifies for intervention under RSA 541-A:32, I.

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WHEREFORE, Comcast respectfully requests that it be permitted to intervene in

this proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,

Comcast Cable Communications Management, LLC, Comcast of New Hampshire, Inc., Comcast of Massachusetts/New Hampshire, LLC and Comcast of Maine/New Hampshire, Inc. ("Comcast") By their attorneys, ORR & RENO, P.A.

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Dated: May 18, 2010

Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing Petition has on this 18th day of May, 2012 been either sent by electronic mail or first class mail, postage prepaid, to persons listed on the Service List.

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