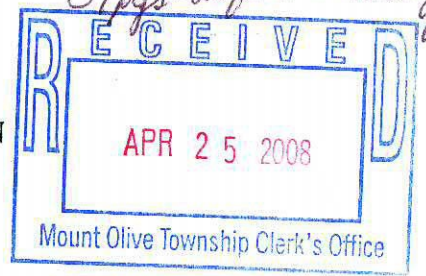


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Before the
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20554



In the Matter of)
Comcast Cable Communications, LLC,)
on behalf of its subsidiaries and affiliates)
)
For Determination of Effective Competition in:)
8 Belvidere, New Jersey--Area Franchise Areas)

CSR No. _____

To: Chief, Media Bureau

PETITION FOR SPECIAL RELIEF

Comcast Cable Communications, LLC, on behalf of its subsidiaries and affiliates (together "Comcast" or the "Company"), by its attorneys, and pursuant to Sections 76.7 and 76.907 of the Commission's rules,¹ hereby requests that the Commission find that Comcast faces "effective competition" in 8 Belvidere, New Jersey – area franchise areas (the "Franchise Areas").²

The Communications Act of 1934, as amended (the "Act"), and the Commission's rules provide that cable television rates may be regulated only in the absence of effective competition.³ Cable operators are entitled to demonstrate that effective competition exists on a franchise-by-franchise basis.⁴ When a cable operator rebuts the presumption that cable systems are not subject to effective competition with evidence that effective competition is present within a franchise area, cable rates in the affected area are no longer subject to regulation.⁵

¹ 47 C.F.R. §§ 76.7 and 76.907.

² See Exhibit 1.

³ 47 U.S.C. § 543(a)(2); 47 C.F.R. § 76.905(a).

⁴ 47 C.F.R. § 76.907.

⁵ See *Implementation of Sections of the Cable Television Consumer Protection and Competition Act of 1992, Rate Regulation*, 8 FCC Rcd. 5631, 5664-5665 (1993) ("Rate Order").