

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
DIVISION OF PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS**

**JOINT APPLICATION OF CHARTER)
COMMUNICATIONS, INC., COX ENTERPRISES,)
INC., AND COX COMMUNICATIONS, INC. TO)
TRANSFER CONTROL OF COXCOM, LLC’S SERVICE) **Docket No. D-25-18**
AREA 1-8 CERTIFICATES OF AUTHORITY TO)
OPERATE AND FOR COXCOM, LLC TO PARTICIPATE)
IN FINANCING ARRANGEMENTS)**

JOINT APPLICANTS’ RESPONSES TO RIPBS’S FIRST SET DATA REQUESTS

**(Issued: October 8, 2025)
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REQUEST RIPBS 1-1

Does Charter intend to continue CoxCom’s practice of providing public access cable channels to RIPBS after the transaction closes?

JOINT APPLICANTS’¹ RESPONSE: RIPBS 1-1

Yes, following the close of the Transaction,² the Joint Applicants will ensure that Community Programming Services continue to maintain CoxCom’s current practice of complying with all applicable rules, including Division Rule 1.14.1. CoxCom will remain the franchisee after the Transaction closes and, as a subsidiary of Charter, will continue to operate pursuant to the terms of the franchise, just as CoxCom does today. As the Joint Applicants noted in response to the **Division’s Data Requests Directed to Joint Applicants (First Set)**, Charter has no plans to change or modify any facilities, arrangements, or agreements—ensuring CoxCom’s Community Programming Services continue to comply with all applicable Division rules. *See* Joint Applicants’ Responses to DIV 1-4(b), (c), and (d). In other words, nothing will change as a result of the Transaction that would affect, or in any way alter, CoxCom’s continuing obligation to comply with the Division’s rules, and Charter shares Cox’s cooperative spirit in doing so.

Respondents: Adam Falk, Senior Vice President, State Government Affairs, Charter and Curt Stamp, Vice President, Government and Regulatory Affairs, Cox Enterprises, Inc.

REQUEST RIPBS 1-2

Does Charter intend to continue CoxCom’s practice of charging, collecting, and remitting PEG Access Fees to RIPBS after the transaction closes?

¹ The “Joint Applicants” are Charter Communications, Inc. (“Charter”), Cox Enterprises, Inc. (“CEI”), Cox Communications, Inc. (“Cox”), and CoxCom, LLC (“CoxCom”).

² The “Transaction” refers to the transfer of “substantial control” of Cox’s subsidiary CoxCom to Charter as described in the Joint Application filed with the Division on August 12, 2025 in Docket No. D-25-18.

JOINT APPLICANT'S RESPONSE: RIPBS 1-2

Yes, following the close of the Transaction, the Joint Applicants will ensure that Community Programming Services continue to comply with agreements between Cox and the RI PBS Foundation and all applicable rules, including Division Rules 1.14.1 and 1.17.2(B). Beginning in 2007, Cox and the RI PBS Foundation entered into a series of agreements that set a framework for quarterly payments of PEG fees. Cox also provides supporting documentation of the PEG fee collection and remittance on a quarterly basis. Charter has no plans to change or modify these arrangements as a result of the Transaction. CoxCom will remain a party to those agreements after the Transaction closes and, as a subsidiary of Charter, will continue to have an obligation to meet their terms.

Respondents: Adam Falk and Curt Stamp

REQUEST RIPBS 1-3

Does Charter intend to change CoxCom's relationship with RIPBS in any way after the transaction?

JOINT APPLICANT'S RESPONSE: RIPBS 1-3

No. Following the close of the Transaction, CoxCom will remain the franchisee and, as a subsidiary of Charter, will continue to operate pursuant to the terms of the franchise. Charter has no current plans to change CoxCom's relationship with RI PBS at this time that would result from the Transaction. Further, Charter assures RI PBS that CoxCom will remain obligated to all agreements and rules that apply to, or otherwise govern, the relationship between CoxCom and RI PBS.

Respondent: Adam Falk and Curt Stamp

REQUEST RIPBS 1-4

Refer to the Responses to DIV 1-6(a) – (d).

- a. Is the Spectrum TV Select Plus offering a cable subscription service?
- b. Has Charter forecasted approximately how many of Cox's current subscribers might change their subscriptions to select the Spectrum TV Select Plus offering?

JOINT APPLICANTS' RESPONSE: RIPBS 1-4

- a. Yes, Spectrum TV Select Plus is a cable video offering.
- b. As a threshold matter, the Joint Applicants note that existing residential Cox customers will have the option to subscribe to Charter's consumer-friendly and affordable plans, or if they prefer, to keep their existing plans. Charter took a similar approach following the Time Warner Cable and Bright House Networks transactions in 2016. Charter allowed legacy Time Warner Cable or Bright House Networks customers to keep their own plans after those transactions, and

some have continued to keep their legacy plans in place to this day, ten years later. In fact, some of those customers still have not migrated off of those legacy plans today. While the Joint Applicants are in the early stages of integration planning and remain focused on securing the necessary regulatory consents needed to complete the Transaction, the Joint Applicants reiterate that Cox subscribers will be allowed to keep their plans in place and will not be forced to change their subscription when the Transaction closes.

Nevertheless, Charter actively invests in maintaining and growing its video business, which includes its cable offerings, and is committed to keeping subscribers. Charter's innovative and competitive video services, including its cable subscription services such as Spectrum TV Select and Spectrum TV Select Plus, will become available to Rhode Island customers post-Transaction. Charter's strategy remains to offer existing customers better valued packages and pricing options that cause them to voluntarily choose a new Spectrum plan, rather than to force them from an existing plan that they currently enjoy.

Respondent: Adam Falk

REQUEST RIPBS 1-5

Refer to AS 2-2 through AS 2-7 relating to Cox's current practice of charging municipalities for cablecasting live municipal meetings.

- a. Does Cox cablecast these live municipal meetings on PEG access channels?
- b. Are the municipalities to which Cox charges these fees already cable subscribers?
- c. How does Cox determine how much to charge municipalities for cablecasting live municipal meetings?
- d. Please provide, in redacted form if necessary, the source of information indicating that Cox charges municipalities for cablecasting live municipal meetings, including any written agreements with Rhode Island municipalities for this service.

JOINT APPLICANTS' RESPONSE: RIPBS 1-5

a. Cox does not provide live cablecasting services to municipalities in Rhode Island. That said, Cox provides two municipalities in Rhode Island—South Kingstown and Woonsocket—with dedicated, one-way video transport connections between the demarcation points at their respective town halls and a video broadcast facility, which the municipalities use to broadcast their municipal meetings. Cox is neither involved in the recording or editing of the footage of these municipal meetings nor directly involved in the broadcast of these meetings on any channels.

b. As noted above, Cox does not provide live cablecasting to municipalities in Rhode Island, and therefore does not charge any municipalities for such service. The two municipalities to which Cox provides one-way video transport connections, South Kingstown and Woonsocket, are cable subscribers.

c. As noted above, Cox does not provide live cablecasting to municipalities in Rhode Island, and therefore does not charge any municipalities for such service. For the dedicated one-way video transport connections, Cox provides this service at the same price and subject to the same terms and conditions applicable to its commercial communications offerings.

d. As noted above, Cox does not provide live cablecasting to municipalities in Rhode Island, and therefore does not charge any municipalities for such service.

Respondent: Curt Stamp and Lindsay DeRoche, Director, Regulatory Affairs, Cox Enterprises, Inc.

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I hereby certify that on October 28, 2025, I delivered a true copy of the foregoing Responses to **RIPBS's Data Requests Directed to Joint Applicants (First Set)** issued on October 8, 2025, to the Division via electronic mail and to the parties on the Division's service list for Docket No. D-25-18.

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Docket No. D-25-18 – Charter Communications, Inc., Cox Enterprises, Inc. and Cox Communications, Inc. – Joint Application to Transfer Control and for CoxCom, LLC to participate in financing arrangements.

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