

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

IN RE:	JOINT APPLICATION OF WH I3B)	
	BIDCO LLC, SERVICE AREA 5 CABLE,)	Docket No. D-26-17
	LLC AND INSPIRE NEWCO, LLC)	
	TO TRANSFER CONTROL OF CATV)	
	CERTIFICATES)	

**THE ADVOCACY SECTION’S
FIRST SET OF DATA REQUESTS
DIRECTED TO SERVICE AREA 5 CABLE, LLC (Area 5 Cable)**

**Issued: July 7, 2026
Requested Response Date: July 8, 2026**

DIV 1-1: Will the transfer of the CATV certificates held by Service Area 5 Cable, LLC d/b/a i3 Broadband (“Area 5 Cable”) to Inspire Newco, LLC result in any changes to customer services, technical standards or channel offerings currently provided by Area 5 Cable?

RESPONSE: The proposed Transaction (which involves an indirect transfer of control of Area 5 Cable, not a direct transfer of the CATV certificates) will not result in any changes to customer services, technical standards, or channel offerings currently provided by Area 5 Cable. Following consummation of the Transaction, Area 5 Cable will continue to provide high-quality services to its customers without interruption and without immediate change in rates, terms, or conditions. The existing customers of Area 5 Cable will continue to be served under the company’s existing authorization, as well as under existing contracts. The proposed Transaction will not result in service disruption, termination, or customer confusion. The only expected change resulting from the proposed Transaction will be that Area 5 Cable will be owned by Inspire Newco, LLC (“Transferee”) rather than its current shareholder.

DIV 1-2: Provide a description of Inspire Newco, LLC’s intended plans regarding the following:

- A. The PEG Access Studio in Area 5;
- B. PEG Access Playback;
- C. The current monthly fee charged to customers;

- D. PEG channels currently operated by Area 5 Cable; and
- E. Current employees and operations of Area 5 Cable.

RESPONSE: Co-Applicants currently do not plan to make changes to the PEG operations of Area 5 Cable, including the PEG Access Studio in Area 5, PEG Access Playback, the current monthly fee charged to customers, and PEG channels currently operated by Area 5 Cable. Co-Applicants also currently do not anticipate changes to the current employees and operations of Area 5 Cable.

DIV 1-3: Does Inspire Newco, LLC intend to provide the same services to institutional users currently provided by Area 5 Cable, including receiving live broadcasts of local municipal government meetings?

RESPONSE: The proposed Transaction will not result in any changes to customer services, including live broadcasts of local municipal government meetings.

DIV 1-4: Please identify all provisions of Rules Governing Community Antenna Television Systems 815-RICR-10-05-1, as amended, from which Inspire Newco, LLC will seek a waiver. Please explain the purpose of any waiver that will be requested.

RESPONSE: To the extent that Area 5 Cable has been granted any waivers of 815-RICR-10-05-1, the Co-Applicants request that such waivers continue to apply. Co-Applicants currently do not seek any new waivers of the Rules.