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cc: Town Board
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January 5, 2016

Dear Community Leader/Elected Official:

The New York State Public Service Commission is sponsoring a series of regional information sessions and public statement hearings regarding a proceeding currently before the Commission. In November 2015, Altice N.V. and Cablevision filed a Joint Petition seeking Commission approval for Cablevision to transfer certain telephone and cable systems to Altice.

To ensure full public participation, the Commission will hold public statement hearings to solicit input and comments from your community on the proposal. At the information session, Department of Public Service Staff will explain the procedure for reviewing the petition and will be available to answer questions. The information session will be immediately followed by a formal public statement hearing where the public is invited to participate and comment on the proceeding. Information received at the public statement hearings will be transcribed and will be included in the case record. The public comments will be considered by the Commission in deciding this case.

The enclosed fact sheet provides detailed information on how to participate in the public statement hearings and available options to submit comments on the proceedings. A copy of the Joint Petition, as well as additional informaiton about theproposed transaction can be found at www.dps.ny.gov web site.

I would appreciate your assistance informing your constituents about the public meetings and encouraging them to provide comments. It is the Commission's intent to facilitate and encourage active and meaningful participation throughout all of its proceedings. We hope you will consider joining us at one of these meetings.

Sincerely,

Michael Corso

Michael Corso
Consumer Advocate and Director,
Office of Consumer Services

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Factsheet and Public Hearing Announcement

Proposed Transfer of Control Between Altice N.V. and Cablevision Systems Corp.

Case 15-M-0647

On November 4, 2015, Altice N.V. (Altice) and Cablevision Systems Corporation (Cablevision) filed a Joint Petition with the New York State Public Service Commission (Commission) seeking approval for Cablevision to transfer certain telephone and cable systems, franchises and assets to Altice. Under the proposed transaction, Altice will acquire Cablevision and its New York operating subsidiaries. Altice plans to retain all of Cablevision's existing assets in New York.

If the transaction is approved, Altice will own and/or manage cable systems serving approximately 220 communities throughout the Hudson Valley, Long Island and the boroughs of the Bronx and Brooklyn. According to the petition, the proposed transaction will occur solely at the holding company level and does not seek changes to customers' rates, terms or conditions, nor will it result in the discontinuance, reduction, loss or impairment of service to any customer.

A copy of the petition may be reviewed online at the Commission's www.dps.ny.gov website under Case 15-M-0647.

Information Sessions and Public Statement Hearings

The Commission is seeking public comment on the Joint Petition filed by Altice and Cablevision. Interested members of the public are invited to attend a series of public statement hearings and provide comments before an Administrative Law Judge. The hearings will be preceded by an information session, during which staff from the New York State Department of Public Service (DPS) will provide an overview of the procedure for review of the petition. The presentation will be followed by an opportunity for members of the public to ask questions about the proposed transaction.

In order to speak at the hearing, it is not necessary to make an appointment in advance or to present written material. All comments given at the hearings will be transcribed and become part of the Commission's formal record. The hearings will remain open until everyone wishing to speak has been heard or other reasonable arrangements have been made.

Disabled persons requiring special accommodations should contact the DPS Human Resources Management Office at (518) 474-2520 as soon as possible. TDD users may request a sign language interpreter by placing a call through the New York Relay Service at 711 to reach the Human Resource number. Individuals with difficulty understanding or reading English are encouraged to call the Commission at 1-800-342-3377 for free language assistance services regarding this factsheet.

Please join us at the following locations:

Date: January 26, 2016

Location: City of Peekskill
Council Chambers
840 Main Street
Peekskill, NY 10566

Times: 2:00 pm information session
3:00 pm hearing begins

6:00 pm information session
7:00 pm hearing begins

Date: January 27, 2016

Location: Bronx Supreme Court
Court Room 600
851 Grand Concourse
Bronx, NY 10451

Times: 2:00 pm information session
3:00 pm hearing begins

6:00 pm information session
7:00 pm hearing begins

Date: February 2, 2016

Location: Nassau Co Legislative Bldg
Council Chambers
1550 Franklin Avenue
Mineola, NY 11501

Times: 1:00 pm information session
2:00 pm hearing begins

Date: February 2, 2016

Location: W. H. Rogers Legislative Bldg
Rose Y. Caracappa Auditorium
725 Veterans Memorial Highway
Smithtown, NY 11787

Times: 6:00 pm information session
7:00 pm hearing begins

Additional Methods for Commenting on the Case

- **Via the Internet or In Writing:** Submit comments electronically to Kathleen H. Burgess, Secretary, at secretary@dps.ny.gov or by mail or delivery to Secretary Burgess at the Department of Public Service, Three Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York 12223-1350. Comments may also be entered directly into the case by locating the case via the home page of the Commission's website, www.dps.ny.gov, by clicking on "Search," and entering 15-M-0647 in the "Search by Case Number" field. After clicking to open the case, enter comments in the "Post Comments" section located at the top of the page.

- **Toll-Free Opinion Line**: Individuals may choose to submit comments by calling the Commission's toll-free Opinion Line at 1-800-335-2120. This line is set up to receive in-state calls 24-hours a day. Callers should press "1" to leave comments about "Case 15-M-0647 Joint Petition of Altice and Cablevision". Comments received via the Opinion Line are not transcribed, but a summary is provided to the Commission for their consideration.

All comments will become part of the record considered by the Commission. Comments will be accepted at any point while this proceeding is pending, but are requested by March 4, 2016.