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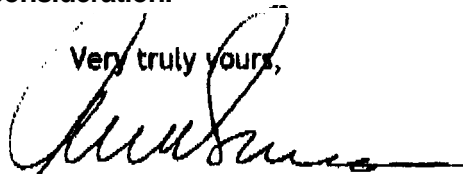
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Re: In re Application of Hawaiian Telcom Services
Company Inc. (HTCS) for a Cable Franchise

Dear Mr. Sonobe:

Thank you for your letter dated January 2, 2007. We agree that due to the passage of time and other circumstances it would be appropriate to update our initial filing with the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs ("Department"). Among other things, it would be appropriate to reflect the pending FCC Section 621 video franchising order and current developments relevant to our IPTV service in the updated filing. We have begun reviewing our filings with the Department to determine where changes are appropriate, and anticipate providing the Department with an updated Application, updated exhibits, and updated responses to the Department's information requests by the end of February. Accordingly, pursuant to Section 440G-7(4) of the Hawaii Revised Statutes, we hereby respectfully request that the time limit for final action be extended to Friday March 30, 2007 with the understanding that we may need to request a further extension in the event the FCC order is not issued by the end of February. We look forward to completing this process and appreciate your cooperation and consideration.

Very truly yours,



Alan M. Oshima
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cc: Mark E. Recktenwald, Director
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Re: In re Application of Hawaiian Telcom Services Company, Inc.
For a Cable Franchise – 6th Request for Extension

Dear Messrs. Oshima and Mukai:

By letter January 8, 2007, Applicant Hawaiian Telcom Services Corporation, Inc. ("**HTSC**" or "**Applicant**") submitted a sixth request to the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs ("**Department**"), pursuant to Section 440G-7(4), Hawaii Revised Statutes ("**HRS**"), to further extend the one hundred-twenty (120) day time limit for final action by the Department on its Application for a Cable Franchise to Friday, March 30, 2007.

Pursuant to Applicant's September 21, 2006 request, the Department granted Applicant's request on September 26, 2006, and the time limit for final action was extended to November 17, 2006. In its second request, Applicant sought approval for a further extension of one week, to Friday, November 24, 2006, which was granted by the Department. Pursuant to Applicant's third extension request, on November 13, 2006 the Department granted a further extension to Friday, December 8, 2006. On November 24, 2006, Applicant submitted a fourth extension request to the Department to extend the time limit to Friday, December 22, 2006, which was approved. On December 8, 2006, Applicant submitted a fifth extension request to the Department to extend the time limit to Wednesday, January 31, 2007. By this sixth extension request, Applicant now seeks approval for a further extension to Friday, March 30, 2007.

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The Department is disappointed with Applicant's decision to request a sixth extension of time for final action, particularly an extension of two months, which is longer than any of HTSC's previous extension requests. Furthermore, in its sixth extension request, Applicant acknowledges that it may ask the Department for a seventh extension, not because of anticipated delays in updating its Application, but because Applicant desires to delay the introduction of new services to the public until after the release of a written order by the Federal Communications Commission ("**FCC**") addressing cable franchise regulation.

On December 20, 2006, the FCC announced the adoption of an order addressing cable franchise regulation with the stated purpose of "seeing that consumers are able to realize the benefits of competition . . . and help ensure that lower prices are available to as many Americans as possible as quickly as possible."¹ The Department is disappointed that Applicant is using the FCC's order as an instrument for further delay in the introduction of competitive video services to consumers in Hawaii.

Despite the Department's concerns about Applicant's decision, the Department hereby grants HTSC's sixth request for an extension, and the time limit for final action on HTSC's Application is therefore further extended to **Friday, March 30, 2007**.

The Department would appreciate receiving Applicant's updated Application, updated exhibits and updated responses to the Department's information requests as soon as possible.

Sincerely,



Clyde S. Sonobe
Cable Television Administrator

c: Mark E. Recktenwald

¹ See *Implementation of Section 621(a)(1) of the Cable Communications Policy Act of 1984 as amended by the Cable Television Consumer Protection and Competition Act of 1992*, Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, FCC 06-180 (adopted Dec. 20, 2006), *Statement of Chairman Kevin J. Martin at 3*.