

OCEANIC TIME WARNER CABLE OAHU **FRANCHISE RENEWAL PROCESS**

On April 20, 2007, Oceanic Time Warner Cable (“Oceanic”) notified the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs (DCCA), of its intent to seek a renewal of its Oahu franchise for cable service. This franchise term currently expires on December 31, 2009.

After receiving Oceanic’s notification, DCCA began planning and developing, with the assistance of its financial consultant, an overall work plan and timeline of activities.

The following is an anticipated timeline of activities of this renewal process:

<u>Anticipated Dates</u>	<u>Activity</u>
June 2007 through February 2008	Initial planning and development of a work plan and timeline of activities required.
April through October 2008	Preparatory studies such as regulatory, technology, engineering and financial reviews of Oceanic.
May through October 2008	Franchise agreement compliance review.
June through October 2008	Cable related needs assessments from the Public sectors (general public and PEG entity), Education sectors (DOE, UH, and others) and Government sectors (State and City & County of Honolulu).
November or December 2008	DCCA Public Hearing.
January through June 2009	Discussions and negotiations with the cable operator on franchise terms.
July through November 2009	Drafting the Decision & Order of the new franchise order.

The DCCA will seek and carefully consider the community’s input on this matter. As noted above, before the end of 2008, we anticipate that a public hearing will be held to afford the public an opportunity to provide testimony and comments on Oceanic’s renewal proposal. Once the public hearing is scheduled, notice will be published in a Honolulu newspaper and also on DCCA Cable Television Division’s website.

Should you have any questions on this franchise renewal process, please contact the Cable Television Division at (808) 586-2620.