STATE OF RHODE ISLAND DIVISION OF PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS

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APPLICATION OF	
SERVICE AREA 5 CABLE, LLC	
TO PARTICIPATE IN FINANCING	
ARRANGEMENTS	

Docket No. D-22-07

REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT

COMES NOW, Service Area 5 Cable, LLC d/b/a i3 Broadband ("Area 5 Cable" or "Applicant"), by its undersigned counsel, and hereby request that the Division of Public Utilities and Carriers ("Division") find that the commercial and financial information contained in the following documents attached to Applicant's application to participate in certain Financing Arrangements ("Application"), is proprietary and confidential, and therefore should be exempt from the public disclosure requirements of Rhode Island's Freedom of Information Act, R.I. GEN. LAWS § 38-2-1 *et seq.*:

Responses to Data Requests Regarding Financing Related to Service Area 5 Cable, LLC ("Responses"); and

Confidential Exhibit 2, Pro Forma Balance Sheet ("Exhibit").

In support of its Application, Applicant submitted the Responses and Exhibit to provide the Commission with confidential financial and commercial business plan information related to the proposed Financing Arrangements (the "Transaction"). Applicant is a privately held company and its financial information and commercial business plans are not a part of the public record in any jurisdiction. Because of increasing competition for telecommunications services in Rhode Island and elsewhere, Applicant believes that disclosure of the confidential commercial and financial information contained in the Responses and Exhibit would place it at a competitive disadvantage, impede full and fair competition, and undermine Applicant's business plans in the State of Rhode Island.

Wherefore, Applicant believes disclosure of the Responses and Exhibit need not be included in the public record to process its Application and respectfully requests that the Responses and Exhibit be granted confidential status, that the Responses and Exhibit be declared exempt from the public disclosure requirements of the Rhode Island's Freedom of Information Act, and that the Division place the Responses and Exhibit in a secure non-public file. Should the Division wish to disclose this confidential information in a public forum, Applicant respectfully requests that the Division first notify and afford Applicant reasonable opportunity to respond.

Respectfully submitted,

SERVICE AREA 5 CABLE, LLC

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