Rhode Island Division of Public Utilities and Carriers - Cable Section

2002 Docket Items

2002-C-1  Ned McGreavy Complaint against Full Channel TV, Inc.   (CLOSED)

On January 10, 2002 Mr. Ned McGreavy, 5 Bay Road, Warren, Rhode Island filed a complaint against Full Channel TV, Inc. (FCTV) concerning the placement of a power supply box on a utility pole in front of his house. Mr. McGreavy contended that the devise is unsightly and disturbs his ability to enjoy his property and view the Kickemuit River. No contention is made that a safety code violation exists as a result of the installation. The Division held a hearing on the matter on Feruary 6, 2002. The hearing officer evaluated the evidence presented by Mr. McGreavy, FCTV and the Advocacy Section of the Division and ruled on March 1, 2002 that the complaint was without merit and was denied.

2002-C-2  COX COMMUNICATIONS RATE FILING  (CLOSED)

On May 1, 2002 Cox submitted a rate filing to the DPUC concerning basic service, equipment and installation services. The filing called for no increase or a small rate reduction in certain service areas for basic service, but did call for increases in several equipment and installation rates. The DPUC held a briefing session with Cox on May 23, 2002 and requested additional information. A public hearing was held on June 26, 2002 and an order was issued by the hearing officer June 27, 2002 granting approval of the request. The hearing officer indicated that state rate regulation in these areas is restricted to assuring that Cox has properly and accurately filed federal forms 1205 and 1240 with the Federal Communications Commission. The Division has determined after consultation with the FCC that Cox's assertion that rate regulation in area 5 is governed by "effective competition" and therefore unregulated which would in only this area.