On December 28, 2010 Cox made their annual cable television rate filing for Area 7 (Portsmouth, Jamestown, Tiverton, Little Compton, Middletown and Newport). Amendments to this filing were made on January 18, 2011 and January 21, 2011. The Federal Communications Commission has formally certified that all cable service areas in Rhode Island, except Area 7, are now subject to “effective competition”. Consequently, the Division has virtually no regulatory control over the Cox rate and equipment filings as long as they are below the federally mandated maximum permitted rate as calculated on the federal 1205 and 1240 forms. The Division scheduled and held a public hearing on the matter on January 25, 2011. Cox proposed no increased basic cable service costs for the year of this filing April 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012. The Company did propose several reductions in costs for installation work and equipment rental. The Division issued an order on January 26, 2011 approving the filing.