

**State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations
Rhode Island Division of Public Utilities and Carriers
Public Notice of Proposed Rule-Making Docket 2012-C-2**

Pursuant to the provisions of Sections 39-1-1 of the General Laws of Rhode Island, and in accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act Chapter 42-35 of the General Laws, the Division of Public Utilities and Carriers hereby gives notice of its intent to amend *Rules Governing Community Antenna Television Systems*.

The purpose of this amendment is to: 1) reduce the required number of fixed public access studios statewide by one; 2) to amend language referring to cable company assessments to reflect statutory changes; and 3) to change the date on which annual reports are to be filed by the Rhode Island Public Telecommunications Authority.

The proposed concise summary of non-technical differences between existing and proposed new rules are available for public inspection at <http://www.ripuc.ri.gov/utilityinfo/cabletv.html> (See Docket 2012-C-2), in person at the Division of Public utilities and Carriers, 89 Jefferson Boulevard, Warwick, RI 02888, or requested by email tkogut@ripuc.state.ri.us or by calling Thomas Kogut (401) 780-2105.

In the development of the proposed amendment consideration was given to: 1) alternative approaches; 2) overlap or duplication with other statutory and regulatory provisions; and 3) significant economic impact on small business. No alternative approach, duplication, or overlap was identified based upon available information.

All interested parties are invited to submit written or oral comments concerning the proposed regulations by August 9, 2012 to:

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The Division of Public Utilities and Carriers is accessible to the handicapped. Individuals requesting interpreter services for the hearing impaired must notify the Commission Clerk's Office by calling (401) 780-2107 seventy two (72) hours in advance of the hearing date. A public hearing to consider the proposed amendment shall be held on Thursday, August 9 at 10:00 AM at Hearing Room B, Division of Public Utilities and Carriers, 89 Jefferson Boulevard, Warwick, RI 02888.