

**PUBLIC REPORT PURSUANT TO 207 CMR § 3.07(5) OF THE CITY OF BOSTON  
AND VERIZON NEW ENGLAND ON ADOPTION OF FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE  
CITY OF BOSTON CABLE TELEVISION FINAL LICENSE**

**+ Licensee:**

Verizon New England, Inc. (“Verizon”)  
185 Franklin Street  
Boston, MA 02110

**+ Issuing Authority:**

Mayor Martin J. Walsh  
City of Boston  
City Hall  
One City Hall Square  
Boston, Massachusetts 02201

**+ Date of the Final License Execution:**

December 5, 2016

**+ Effective Date of First License Amendment:**

September 25, 2017

**+ Text of First License Amendment:**

Attached hereto is a copy of the executed First Amendment To Cable Television License, including Exhibits thereto, which identifies the full final text of the amendments to the Final License agreed to by the Licensee and Issuing Authority. The final text is identical to the proposed text subject to public notice except for minor changes to certain agreed upon locations for the Public Institutional Network in Exhibits to the First Amendment.

**+ Purpose for which the Amendment is being made:**

The Issuing Authority and Verizon have agreed to expand the current Initial Service Area in Exhibit 1 to allow Verizon to provide Cable Service to additional geographic areas of the City in accordance with the terms and conditions in the Final License dated December 5, 2016. The Amendment dated September 25, 2017 also confirms the parties' agreement regarding the percentage size and associated timelines of the Expanded Service Area, adjusts certain values in the Final License to reflect the Expanded Service Area, and confirms additions to Public Institutional Network locations and to public buildings receiving free connections to Basic Cable Television Service.

**+ Date Licensee's Request for Amendment was Received by the Issuing Authority:**

July 12, 2017

**+ Date of Publication of Notice of Proposed License Amendment**

August 18, 2017 (notice published in Boston Herald and amendment documents made available on City of Boston website at the following link:

<https://www.boston.gov/departments/broadband-and-cable/new-cable-competition-boston>.

**+ Date of End of Public Comment Period Under 207 CMR § 3.07(3)**

September 22, 2017 (35 days from Date of Publication of Notice)

**+ Issuing Authority Statement of Reasons for Adopting First Amendment to Final License**

By expanding Cable Service to additional geographic areas of the City, approximately doubling the portions of the City served by the Licensee from 28% to 56%, City residents residing in such geographic areas will benefit from choice and competition among cable providers. Additionally, certain values in specified sections of the Final License set in consideration of the City-wide percentage of the initial Service Area set forth in the Final License are subject to automatic proportionate increase based upon the new revised proportion, and are either effective or payable to the City as of the Effective Date of this First Amendment. Finally, public buildings will also benefit from connections to the Public Institutional Network and from free connections to Basic Cable Television Service offered by the Licensee made available through this First Amendment. Comments received by the Issuing Authority during the Public Comment period were strongly favorable to the proposed License Amendment. Commenters overwhelmingly stated, in substance, that more competition benefits consumers through better quality service, more pricing options and new products.

**SIGNATURE PAGE**

In Witness Whereof, this Public Report on First Amendment to the Cable Television Final License is hereby issued by the Mayor of the City of Boston, Massachusetts, as Issuing Authority, this 29<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2017.

**CITY OF BOSTON**



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BY: Jascha Franklin-Hodge  
Chief of Information and Technology

Dated: September 28, 2017