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Request from: New England Connectivity and Telecommunications Association

Question:

(Model Inputs & Assumptions) Did the Company include municipal, State of Connecticut, or other government agency-owned attachments that occupy space on solely owned or jointly owned poles in its presumption of the number of attaching entities (urban and non-urban)?

Response:

The Company utilized the FCC rebuttable presumptions for the number of attaching entities in urban (5 attachers) and non-urban (3 attachers) areas.

Please see the following excerpt from FCC Docket No. 01-170 as to how these averages were created:

> 71. Based on the expanded record, we establish presumptive average numbers of attaching entities in a non-urbanized (less than 50,000 population) area to be three (3) attaching entities, based on information presented in the record and the expectation that on a pole or in a conduit, for instance, there would be electric, telephone and cable attachers. It is estimated that cable systems now provide access to cable television services to over 97% of all households with a television. Electric power and telephone service is even more universal. The record supports a presumptive average of three attaching entities in non-urbanized areas.
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> 72. In an urbanized area that is more densely populated (50,000 or higher population), more developed commercially than a non-urbanized area, and in which we expect both residential and business commercial competition to flourish, we set a presumptive average number of attaching entities at five (5) to reflect the inclusion of, but not limited to, the following possible attaching entities: electric, telephone, cable, competitive telecommunications service providers and governmental agencies. Advanced telecommunications capability is being deployed throughout the country. As noted above, competitive services are increasing. The record supports a presumptive average number of five attachers in urbanized areas.