BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of Comcast Phone of California, LLC (U-5698-C) to expand its existing Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide limited facilities-based telecommunication service in the service territory of Ponderosa Telephone Co.

A.19-01-003

NOTICE OF EX PARTE COMMUNICATION OF COMCAST PHONE OF CALIFORNIA, LLC (U-5698-C)

Pursuant to Article 8 of the California Public Utilities Commission ("Commission")
Rules of Practice and Procedure, Comcast Phone of California, LLC ("Comcast Phone")
(U-5698-C) hereby files this notice of the following oral ex parte communication.

On February 15, 2019, from approximately 2:10 p.m. to approximately 2:40 p.m., John A. Gutierrez, Senior Director of Government Affairs, and Zeb Zankel, outside counsel, met with Lester Wong, advisor to Commissioner Randolph, at the Commission's office at 505 Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco, California. The meeting was initiated by Comcast Phone to discuss the status of application filed in the proceeding A.19-01-003, and provide context regarding the application and discuss the important of reviewing the application ("Application") on its merits.

During the meeting, Comcast Phone described the impetus for the Application and entering the service territory of Ponderosa Telephone Co. ("Ponderosa"), including the request for service offering by the developers of the Tesoro Viejo community in Madera County.

Comcast Phone discussed how federal and state law favored granting the Application, and the public interest aspects of the application, including additional consumer choice. Comcast Phone further addressed the fallacy of Ponderosa's contention that Decision (D.) 14-12-084 ("2014 Decision") somehow requires delay in review of the Application, explaining that the Application

is consistent with the 2014 Decision, and would have limited effect on Ponderosa and its draw on CHCF-A fund. Finally, Comcast Phone explained that even if the Commission decides it cannot grant the Application on its merits, there is an alternate path to permitting Comcast to compete in Ponderosa territory. The 2014 Decision sets forth a two-step process for market entry, including a location-specific analysis, that the Commission may apply in the present proceeding.

There were no handouts in the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

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