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VIA U.S. MAIL

Adam Teitzman, Commission Clerk Room 152, Gunter Building Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850



Re:

Bright House Networks Information Services (Florida), LLC, Lifeline Data Request,

FCC Lifeline Claims Reports

Dear Mr. Teitzman:

Bright House Networks Information Services (Florida), LLC ("Bright House"), pursuant to Section 364.183(1), Florida Statutes, hereby claims that the information provided in the attached FCC Lifeline Claims Worksheet reports contains confidential customer information that should be held exempt from public disclosure. Pursuant to Rule 25-22.006(5), Florida Administrative Code, the attached sealed envelope contains the document with the confidential information highlighted, along with two redacted copies of the response.

Please acknowledge receipt of this letter by stamping the extra copy of this letter and returning the same to me.

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Floyd R. Self Counsel for Assurance Wireless USA, L.P.

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cc: Michael Chowaniec, Vice President, State Government Affairs

Redacted Version for Public Inspection

Bright House FCC Lifeline Claims Worksheet

Bright House Response to CLEC AND WIRELESS LIFELINE DATA REQUEST 2022

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CLEC AND WIRELESS LIFELINE DATA REQUEST 2022

To assist the Florida Public Service Commission in the development of our Annual Report to the Governor, President of the Senate, and Speaker of the House of Representatives on the Lifeline program as required by Chapter 364.10, Florida Statutes, please provide responses to the following questions by August 16, 2022. Your responses should include your company name, contact person, and email address.

Please answer the following questions as they relate to your company's Florida Lifeline customers, providing data for fiscal year July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2022.

For those items requesting the data be reported monthly, provide the appropriate number as of the last day of each month during the review period.

Response: Bright House Networks Information Services (Florida), LLC (Bright House), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Charter Communications, Inc. (Charter), is providing the responses to this data request in its capacity as a designated Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) in certain areas within Florida. Specifically, Bright House is responsible for offering Lifeline service to customers in the areas where it is receiving Rural Digital Opportunity Fund (RDOF) support to aid deployment of broadband-capable networks. The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) authorized RDOF support for Bright House in March 2022. Bright House and its affiliates have recently commenced offering broadband, voice and Lifeline services under the "Spectrum" brand name where Charter's network has been deployed in its RDOF areas.

Contact: Michael Chowaniec, Vice President, State Government Affairs

E-mail: Michael.Chowaniec@charter.com

- The number of residential access lines in service each month.
- The number of customers participating in Lifeline each month. Note: Do not include customers receiving Lifeline through the Transitional Lifeline provision.

<u>Response</u>: As of June 30, 2022, Bright House and its affiliates did not yet have any Lifeline customers in Florida.

3. The number of Lifeline customers added each month. Note: Do not include customers receiving Lifeline through the Transitional Lifeline provision.

Response: See response to Question 2, above.

4. The number of customers removed from Lifeline each month. Note: Do not include Lifeline customers moved to Transitional Lifeline.

Response: See response to Question 2, above.

5. In accordance with Section 364.105, Florida Statutes, are you offering Transitional Lifeline service? If yes, what is the number of customers participating per month and what are your advertising efforts for Transitional Lifeline service?

<u>Response</u>: Yes, Bright House is offering Transitional Lifeline service. However, as of June 30, 2022, Bright House did not yet have any Transitional Lifeline service customers.

- Description of your company's procedures for Lifeline. Include the following in your response:
 - a. Internal procedures for promoting Lifeline.
 - b. Outreach and educational efforts involving participation in community events.
 - Outreach and educational efforts involving mass media (newspaper, radio, television).
 - Copies of Lifeline outreach materials of your company.
 - e. Any links on your company Web site that provides Lifeline information.
 - f. Organizations you are currently partnering with, have partnered with, and organizations you plan to partner with to educate and inform customers about Lifeline.

<u>Response</u>: As Charter's network is deployed and locations in RDOF areas in Florida become serviceable, Charter will send all potential customers in such RDOF areas direct mail advertisements informing them of the availability of Spectrum services, including Lifeline service. An example of such a direct mail advertisement is attached to this response as Attachment 1.

Charter also provides information on its website informing customers about the FCC's Lifeline program and Charter's own Spectrum Lifeline service at:

<u>Spectrum.net/support/voice/lifeline-phone-credit-landing</u> ("How to Qualify for Lifeline with Spectrum | Spectrum Support").

Charter will provide annual bill messages to all of its customers in its RDOF service area in Florida informing them of the availability of Lifeline service.

Lastly, Charter intends to utilize an Interactive Voice Response system to inform customers of the availability of Lifeline service when they contact Charter with service questions and/or when they seek to make modifications to their service.

7. Did your company provide Lifeline services using resale Lifeline lines obtained from an underlying carrier? If yes, identify the underlying carrier and the number of resale Lifeline lines obtained each month.

Response: No.

8. To the extent you have experienced a decline in Lifeline customers since last year, please list and describe any issues that may have contributed to the decline. Any additional general comments or information you believe will assist staff in evaluating and reporting Lifeline participation in Florida are welcome.

Response: Not applicable.

9. Are you assisting customers with their Lifeline program applications through the National Verifier portal? If yes, please describe any issues you have experienced. If no, please describe your process for directing customers to apply with the National Verifier

<u>Response</u>: No. Bright House does not perform eligibility verifications or assist customers with their Lifeline program applications. Instead, customers are directed, as required, to the USAC National Verifier website to apply.

10. Are the majority of your new Lifeline customers already enrolled in the National Verifier before requesting Lifeline service from your company?

Response: Not applicable.

11. How has your company used the customer information received from Florida's Coordinated Enrollment Process?

<u>Response</u>: Bright House does not yet participate in Florida's Coordinated Enrollment Process.

12. In the last year, has your company filed for any form of bankruptcy? If yes, please identify the chapter and the date filed.

Response: No.

13. In the last year, has your company been involved in any FCC enforcement actions relating to Florida Lifeline customers? If yes, please provide the date and FCC docket number.

Response: No.

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R. Underwood, VP of Marketing

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Safety-related information about Lifeline VoIP telephone service coverage limitations can be found at spectrum.com/policies/spectrum-residential-voice-services-agreement and spectrum.com/policies/battery.

Indiana - Information regarding voice service pricing, terms and conditions, and Lifeline discounts can be found by selecting Indiana at Spectrum.net/lifelineprogram

*Oregon – The Oregon Telephone Assistance Program (OTAP) and Lifeline are government assistance programs for eligible low income customers only and limited to one benefit per household consisting of wireline service, a bundle of basic service and broadband Internet access services, or broadband Internet access services. The service is non-transferable and proof of eligibility may be necessary for enrollment.

Georgia - Unresolved complaints concerning Lifeline service can be directed to the Georgia Public Service Commission's Consumer Affairs Unit at 404-651-8600 and 800-869-1123 (toll free).

Pennsylvania - Contact the PA PUC Bureau of Consumer Services for help with unresolved questions or complaints at 1-800-692-7380 or Online Informal Complaint Form at https://www.puc.pa.gov/complaints/informal-complaints.



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