# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

# FORM 8-K

# **Current Report**

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): September 23, 2003

# Charter Communications Holdings, LLC Charter Communications Holdings Capital Corporation

(Exact name of registrants as specified in their charters)

# Delaware Delaware

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization)

333-77499 333-77499-01

(Commission File Number)

43-1843179 43-1843177

(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

# 12405 Powerscourt Drive St. Louis, Missouri 63131

(Address of principal executive offices including zip code)

# (314) 965-0555

(Registrants' telephone number, including area code)

#### **Not Applicable**

# ITEM 5. OTHER ITEMS

On September 23, 2003 Charter Communications, Inc., parent company of Charter Communications Holdings, LLC ("Charter Holdings"), and its indirect subsidiary, CCH II, LLC ("CCH II") closed on the exchange of certain indebtedness, which was previously announced on September 19, 2003. Charter purchased an aggregate of \$609 million principal amount of its convertible senior notes and \$1.3 billion principal amount of the senior notes and senior discount notes issued by Charter Holdings from a small number of institutional investors in privately negotiated transactions. In consideration for these securities, CCH II issued an aggregate of \$1.6 billion principal amount of 10.25% notes due 2010. CCH II also sold an additional \$30 million principal amount of 10.25% notes for an equivalent amount of cash. The proceeds were applied to transaction costs and for general corporate purposes.

The new notes will not be registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), and, unless so registered, may not be offered or sold in the United States except pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act and applicable state securities laws. This shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of the new notes in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state.

# ITEM 7. EXHIBITS

Exhibit <u>Number</u>	<u>Description</u>
10.1	Indenture dated as of September 23, 2003. *
10.2	Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement dated as of September 23, 2003.*
10.3	CCH II Note Purchase Agreement.*
10.4	CCI Senior Notes Exchange Agreement.*
10.5	Holdings Senior Notes Exchange Agreement.*
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This Report includes forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), regarding, among other things, our plans, strategies and prospects, both business and financial. Although we believe that our plans, intentions and expectations reflected in or suggested by these forward-looking statements are reasonable, we cannot assure you that we will achieve or realize these plans, intentions or expectations. Forward-looking statements are inherently subject to risks, uncertainties and assumptions including whether the previously announced asset divestitures are consummated. Many of the forward-looking statements contained in this Report may be identified by the use of forward-looking words such as "believe," "expect," "anticipate," "should," "planned," "will," "may," "intend," "estimated" and "potential," among others. Important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from the forward-looking statements we make in this Report are set forth in this Report and in other reports or documents that we file from time to time with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission, or the "SEC". All forward-looking statements attributable to the Company or a person acting on its behalf are expressly qualified in their entirety by this cautionary statement.

#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Charter Communications Holdings, LLC and Charter Communications Holdings Capital Corporation have duly caused this Current Report to be signed on their behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

# CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS HOLDINGS, LLC

Registrant

Dated: September 25, 2003

By: <u>/s/ Paul E. Martin</u> Name: Paul E. Martin

Title: Senior Vice President and Corporate Controller(Principal Accounting Officer)

#### CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS HOLDINGS CAPITAL CORPORATION

Registrant

Dated: September 25, 2003

By: /s/ Paul E. Martin Name: Paul E. Martin

Title: Senior Vice President and Corporate Controller(Principal Accounting Officer)

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<sup>\*</sup> filed herewith

CCH II, LLC

and

CCH II CAPITAL CORP.,

as Issuers

and

WELLS FARGO BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,

as Trustee

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Dated as of September 23, 2003

10.25% Senior Notes due 2010

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INDENTURE dated as of September 23, 2003 among CCH II, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (as further defined below, the "Company"), CCH II Capital Corp., a Delaware corporation (as further defined below, "Capital Corp" and together with the Company, the "Issuers"), and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as trustee (the "Trustee").

The Issuers and the Trustee agree as follows for the benefit of each other and for the equal and ratable benefit of the Holders of the Notes:

#### ARTICLE 1

#### DEFINITIONS AND INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE

# Section 1.01 Definitions.

"Acquired Debt" means, with respect to any specified Person:

- 1. Indebtedness of any other Person existing at the time such other Person is merged with or into or became a Subsidiary of such specified Person, whether or not such Indebtedness is incurred in connection with, or in contemplation of, such other Person merging with or into, or becoming a Subsidiary of, such specified Person; and
- 2. Indebtedness secured by a Lien encumbering any asset acquired by such specified Person.
- "Additional Notes" means the Issuers' 10.25% Senior Notes due 2010 issued under this Indenture in addition to the Original Notes (other than any Notes issued in respect of Original Notes pursuant to Section 2.06, 2.07, 2.10, 3.06, 3.09, 4.16 or 9.05).
- "Affiliate" of any specified Person means any other Person directly or indirectly controlled by or under direct or indirect common control with such specified Person. For purposes of this definition, "control," as used with respect to any Person, shall mean the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management or policies of such Person, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by agreement or otherwise; provided that beneficial ownership of 10% or more of the Voting Stock of a Person shall be deemed to be control. For purposes of this definition, the terms "controlling, "controlled by" and "under common control with" shall have correlative meanings.
- "Agent" means any Registrar or Paying Agent.
- "Applicable Procedures" means, with respect to any transfer or transaction involving a Global Note or beneficial interest therein, the rules and procedures of the Depositary, Euroclear and Clearstream, in each case to the extent applicable to such transaction and as in effect from time to time.
- "Asset Acquisition" means (a) an Investment by the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries in any other Person pursuant to which such Person shall become a Restricted Subsidiary of the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries, or (b) the acquisition by the Company or any of its

Restricted Subsidiaries of the assets of any Person which constitute all or substantially all of the assets of such Person, any division or line of business of such Person or any other properties or assets of such Person other than in the ordinary course of business.

#### "Asset Sale" means:

- 1. the sale, lease, conveyance or other disposition of any assets or rights, other than sales of inventory in the ordinary course of the Cable Related Business consistent with applicable past practices; provided that the sale, conveyance or other disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of the Company and its Subsidiaries, taken as a whole, shall be governed by Section 4.16 and/or Section 5.01 and not by the provisions of Section 4.11; and
- 2. the issuance of Equity Interests by any Restricted Subsidiary of the Company or the sale of Equity Interests in any Restricted Subsidiary of the Company.

Notwithstanding the preceding, the following items shall not be deemed to be Asset Sales:

- 1. any single transaction or series of related transactions that: (a) involves assets having a fair market value of less than \$100 million; or (b) results in net proceeds to the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries of less than \$100 million;
- 2. a transfer of assets between or among the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries;
- 3. an issuance of Equity Interests by a Restricted Subsidiary of the Company to the Company or to another Wholly Owned Restricted Subsidiary of the Company;
- 4. any Restricted Payment that is permitted by Section 4.07, any Restricted Investment that is permitted by Section 4.08 or a Permitted Investment;
- 5. the incurrence of Liens not prohibited by this Indenture and the disposition of assets related to such Liens by the secured party pursuant to a foreclosure; and
- 6. any disposition of cash or Cash Equivalents.

"Attributable Debt" in respect of a sale and leaseback transaction means, at the time of determination, the present value of the obligation of the lessee for net rental payments during the remaining term of the lease included in such sale and leaseback transaction including any period for which such lease has been extended or may, at the option of the lessee, be extended. Such present value shall be calculated using a discount rate equal to the rate of interest implicit in such transaction, determined in accordance with GAAP.

"Bankruptcy Law" means Title 11, U.S. Code or any similar Federal or state law of any jurisdiction relating to bankruptcy, insolvency, winding up, liquidation, reorganization or relief of debtors.

"Beneficial Owner" has the meaning assigned to such term in Rule 13d-3 and Rule 13d-5 under the Exchange Act, except that in calculating the beneficial ownership of any particular "person" (as such term is used in Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act), such "person" shall be deemed to have beneficial ownership of all securities that such "person" has the right to acquire, whether such right is currently exercisable or is exercisable only upon the occurrence of a subsequent condition.

"Board of Directors" means the board of directors or comparable governing body of CCI or the Company, as the case may be, in either case as constituted as of the date of any determination required to be made, or action required to be taken, pursuant to this Indenture.

"Business Day" means any day other than a Legal Holiday.

"Cable Related Business" means the business of owning cable television systems and businesses ancillary, complementary and related thereto.

"Capital Corp" means CCH II Capital Corp., a Delaware corporation, and any successor in interest thereto.

"Capital Lease Obligation" means, at the time any determination thereof is to be made, the amount of the liability in respect of a capital lease that would at that time be required to be capitalized on a balance sheet in accordance with GAAP.

#### "Capital Stock" means:

- 1. in the case of a corporation, corporate stock;
- 2. in the case of an association or business entity, any and all shares, interests, participations, rights or other equivalents (however designated) of corporate stock;
- 3. in the case of a partnership or limited liability company, partnership or membership interests (whether general or limited); and
- 4. any other interest (other than any debt obligation) or participation that confers on a Person the right to receive a share of the profits and losses of, or distributions of assets of, the issuing Person.

"Capital Stock Sale Proceeds" means the aggregate net cash proceeds (including the fair market value of the non-cash proceeds, as determined by an independent appraisal firm) received by the Company from and after the Issue Date, in each case

- (x) as a contribution to the common equity capital or from the issue or sale of Equity Interests (other than Disqualified Stock and other than issuances or sales to a Subsidiary of the Company) of the Company from and after the Issue Date, or
- (y) from the issue or sale of convertible or exchangeable Disqualified Stock or convertible or exchangeable debt securities of the Company that have been converted into or exchanged for such Equity Interests (other than Equity Interests (or Disqualified Stock or debt securities) sold to a Subsidiary of the Company).

# "Cash Equivalents" means:

- 1. United States dollars:
- 2. securities issued or directly and fully guaranteed or insured by the United States government or any agency or instrumentality thereof (provided that the full faith and credit of the United States is pledged in support thereof) having maturities of not more than twelve months from the date of acquisition;
- 3. certificates of deposit and eurodollar time deposits with maturities of twelve months or less from the date of acquisition, bankers' acceptances with maturities not exceeding six months and overnight bank deposits, in each case, with any domestic commercial bank having combined capital and surplus in excess of \$500 million and a Thompson Bank Watch Rating at the time of acquisition of "B" or better;
- 4. repurchase obligations with a term of not more than seven days for underlying securities of the types described in clauses (2) and (3) above entered into with any financial institution meeting the qualifications specified in clause (3) above;
- 5. commercial paper having a rating at the time of acquisition of at least "P-1" from Moody's or at least "A-1" from S&P and in each case maturing within twelve months after the date of acquisition;
- 6. corporate debt obligations maturing within twelve months after the date of acquisition thereof, rated at the time of acquisition at least "Aaa" or "P-1" by Moody's or "AAA" or "A-1" by S&P;
- 7. auction-rate Preferred Stocks of any corporation maturing not later than 45 days after the date of acquisition thereof, rated at the time of acquisition at least "Aaa" by Moody's or "AAA" by S&P;
- 8. securities issued by any state, commonwealth or territory of the United States, or by any political subdivision or taxing authority thereof, maturing not later than six months after the date of acquisition thereof, rated at the time of acquisition at least "A" by Moody's or S&P; and

9. money market or mutual funds at least 90% of the assets of which constitute Cash Equivalents of the kinds described in clauses (1) through (8) of this definition.

"CCH I" means CCH I, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, and any successor Person thereto.

"CCI" means Charter Communications, Inc., a Delaware corporation, and any successor Person thereto.

"CCI Indentures" means, collectively, the indentures entered into by CCI with respect to its 5.75% Convertible Senior Notes due 2005, its 4.75% Convertible Senior Notes due 2006 and any indentures, note purchase agreements or similar documents entered into by CCI for the purpose of incurring Indebtedness in exchange for, or the proceeds of which are used to refinance, any of the Indebtedness described above, in each case, together with all instruments and other agreements entered into by CCI in connection therewith, as any of the foregoing may be refinanced, replaced, amended, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time.

"Change of Control" means the occurrence of any of the following:

- 1. the sale, transfer, conveyance or other disposition (other than by way of merger or consolidation), in one or a series of related transactions, of all or substantially all of the assets of the Company and its Subsidiaries, taken as a whole, or of a Parent and its Subsidiaries, taken as a whole, to any "person" (as such term is used in Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act) other than Paul G. Allen or a Related Party;
- 2. the adoption of a plan relating to the liquidation or dissolution of the Company or a Parent (except a liquidation of any Parent into any other Parent);
- 3. the consummation of any transaction, including, without limitation, any merger or consolidation, the result of which is that any "person" (as defined above) other than Paul G. Allen and Related Parties becomes the Beneficial Owner, directly or indirectly, of more than 35% of the Voting Stock of the Company or a Parent, measured by voting power rather than the number of shares, unless Paul G. Allen or a Related Party Beneficially Owns, directly or indirectly, a greater percentage of Voting Stock of the Company or such Parent, as the case may be, measured by voting power rather than the number of shares, than such person;
- 4. after the Issue Date, the first day on which a majority of the members of the board of directors of the Company or the board of directors of a Parent are not Continuing Directors;
- 5. the Company or a Parent consolidates with, or merges with or into, any Person, or any Person consolidates with, or merges with or into, the Company or a Parent, in any such event pursuant to a transaction in which any of the outstanding Voting Stock of the Company or such Parent is converted into or exchanged for cash, securities or other property, other than any such transaction where the Voting Stock of the Company or such Parent outstanding immediately prior to such transaction is converted into or exchanged for Voting Stock (other than Disqualified Stock) of the surviving or transferee Person constituting a majority of the outstanding shares of such Voting Stock of such surviving or transferee Person immediately after giving effect to such issuance; or
- 6. (i) Charter Communications Holding Company, LLC shall cease to own beneficially, directly or indirectly, 100% of the Capital Stock of Charter Holdings and (ii) Charter Holdings shall cease to own beneficially, directly or indirectly, 100% of the Capital Stock of the Company.

"Charter Holdings" means Charter Communications Holdings, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, and any successor Person thereto.

"Charter Holdings Indentures" means, collectively (a) the indentures entered into by Charter Holdings and Charter Communications Holdings Capital Corporation in connection with the issuance of each 8.250% Senior Notes Due 2007 dated March 1999, 8.625% Senior Notes Due 2009 dated March 1999, 9.920% Senior Discount Notes Due 2011 dated March 1999, 10.000% Senior Notes Due 2009 dated January 2000, 10.250% Senior Notes Due 2010 dated January 2000, 11.750% Senior Discount Notes Due 2010 dated January 2000, 10.750% Senior Notes Due 2011 dated January 2001, 11.125% Senior Notes Due 2011 dated January 2001, 13.500% Senior Discount Notes Due 2011 dated January 2001, 9.625% Senior Notes Due 2019 dated May 2001, 10.000% Senior Notes Due 2011 dated May 2001, 11.750% Senior Discount Notes Due 2011 dated May 2001, 9.625% Senior Notes Due 2009 dated January 2002, 10.000% Senior Notes Due 2011 dated January 2002, and 11.750% Senior Discount Notes Due 2011 dated January 2002, and (b) any indentures, note purchase agreements or similar doruments entered into by Charter Holdings and/or Charter Communications Holdings Capital Corporation on or after the Issue Date for the purpose of incurring Indebtedness in exchange for, or proceeds of which are used to refinance, any of the Indebtedness described in the foregoing clause (a), in each case, together with all instruments and other agreements entered into by Charter Holdings or Charter Communications Holdings Capital Corporation in connection therewith, as the same may be refinanced, replaced, amended, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time.

"Charter Refinancing Subsidiary" means CCH I or any directly or indirectly wholly owned Subsidiary (and any related corporate co-obligor if such Subsidiary is a limited liability company or other association not taxed as a corporation) of CCI or Charter Communications Holding Company, LLC, which becomes a Parent.

"Charter Refinancing Indebtedness" means any Indebtedness of a Charter Refinancing Subsidiary issued in exchange for, or the net proceeds of which are used within 90 days after the date of issuance thereof to extend, refinance, renew, replace, defease, purchase, acquire or refund (including successive extensions, refinancings, renewals, replacements, defeasances, purchases, acquisitions or refunds), Indebtedness initially incurred under any one or more of the Charter Holdings Indentures, the CCI Indentures or this Indenture; provided that:

- 1. the principal amount (or accreted value, if applicable) of such Charter Refinancing Indebtedness does not exceed the principal amount of (or accreted value, if applicable) plus accrued interest and premium, if any, on the Indebtedness so extended, refinanced, renewed, replaced, defeased, purchased, acquired or refunded (plus the amount of reasonable fees, commissions and expenses incurred in connection therewith); and
- 2. such Charter Refinancing Indebtedness has a final maturity date later than the final maturity date of, and has a Weighted Average Life to Maturity equal to or greater than the Weighted Average Life to Maturity of, the Indebtedness being extended, refinanced, renewed, replaced, defeased or refunded.

"Clearstream" means Clearstream Banking, société anonyme (formerly Cedelbank).

"Commission" or "SEC" means the Securities and Exchange Commission.

"Company" means CCH II, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, and any successor Person thereto.

"Consolidated EBITDA" means with respect to any Person, for any period, the net income of such Person and its Restricted Subsidiaries for such period plus, to the extent such amount was deducted in calculating such net income:

- 1. Consolidated Interest Expense;
- 2. income taxes;
- 3. depreciation expense;
- 4. amortization expense;
- 5. all other non-cash items, extraordinary items, nonrecurring and unusual items and the cumulative effects of changes in accounting principles reducing such net income, less all non-cash items, extraordinary items, nonrecurring and unusual items and cumulative effects of changes in accounting principles increasing such net income, all as determined on a consolidated basis for such Person and its Restricted Subsidiaries in conformity with GAAP; and
- 6. amounts actually paid during such period pursuant to a deferred compensation plan; and
- 7. for purposes of Section 4.10 only, Management Fees;

provided, that Consolidated EBITDA shall not include:

(x) the net income (or net loss) of any Person that is not a Restricted Subsidiary ("Other Person"), except (i) with respect to net income, to the extent of the amount of dividends or other distributions actually paid to such Person or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries by such Other Person during such period and (ii) with respect to net losses, to the extent of the amount of investments made by such Person or any Restricted Subsidiary of such Person in such Other Person during such period;

(y) solely for the purposes of calculating the amount of Restricted Payments that may be made pursuant to clause (3) of Section 4.07 (and in such case, except to the extent includable pursuant to clause (x) above), the net income (or net loss) of any Other Person accrued prior to the date it becomes a Restricted Subsidiary or is merged into or consolidated with such Person or any Restricted Subsidiaries or all or substantially all of the property and assets of such Other Person are acquired by such Person or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries; and

(z) the net income of any Restricted Subsidiary of the Company to the extent that the declaration or payment of dividends or similar distributions by such Restricted Subsidiary of such net income is not at the time permitted by the operation of the terms of such Restricted Subsidiary's charter or any agreement, instrument, judgment, decree, order, statute, rule or governmental regulation applicable to such Restricted Subsidiary (other than any agreement or instrument evidencing Indebtedness or Preferred Stock (i) outstanding on the Issue Date, or (ii) incurred or issued thereafter in compliance with Section 4.10, provided that (a) the terms of any such agreement or instrument restricting the declaration and payment of dividends or similar distributions apply only in the event of a default with respect to a financial covenant or a covenant relating to payment (beyond any applicable period of grace) contained in such agreement or instrument, (b) such terms are determined by such Person to be customary in comparable financings and (c) such restrictions are determined by the Company not to materially affect the Issuers' ability to make principal or interest payments on the Notes when due).

"Consolidated Indebtedness" means, with respect to any Person as of any date of determination, the sum, without duplication, of:

- 1. the total amount of outstanding Indebtedness of such Person and its Restricted Subsidiaries, plus
- 2. the total amount of Indebtedness of any other Person that has been Guaranteed by the referent Person or one or more of its Restricted Subsidiaries, plus
- 3. the aggregate liquidation value of all Disqualified Stock of such Person and all Preferred Stock of Restricted Subsidiaries of such Person, in each case, determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP.

"Consolidated Interest Expense" means, with respect to any Person for any period, without duplication, the sum of:

- 1. the consolidated interest expense of such Person and its Restricted Subsidiaries for such period, whether paid or accrued (including, without limitation, amortization or original issue discount, non-cash interest payments, the interest component of any deferred payment obligations, the interest component of all payments associated with Capital Lease Obligations, commissions, discounts and other fees and charges incurred in respect of letter of credit or bankers' acceptance financings, and net payments (if any) pursuant to Hedging Obligations); and
- 2. the consolidated interest expense of such Person and its Restricted Subsidiaries that was capitalized during such period; and
- 3. any interest expense on Indebtedness of another Person that is guaranteed by such Person or one of its Restricted Subsidiaries or secured by a Lien on assets of such Person or one of its Restricted Subsidiaries (whether or not such Guarantee or Lien is called upon);
- excluding, however, any amount of such interest of any Restricted Subsidiary of the referent Person if the net income of such Restricted Subsidiary is excluded in the calculation of Consolidated EBITDA pursuant to clause (z) of the definition thereof (but only in the same proportion as the net income of such Restricted Subsidiary is excluded from the calculation of Consolidated EBITDA pursuant to clause (z) of the definition thereof) in each case, on a consolidated basis and in accordance with GAAP.

"Continuing Directors" means, as of any date of determination, any member of the Board of Directors of CCI who:

- 1, was a member of the Board of Directors of CCI on the Issue Date; or
- 2. was nominated for election or elected to the Board of Directors of CCI with the approval of a majority of the Continuing Directors who were members of the Board of Directors of CCI at the time of such nomination or election or whose election or appointment was previously so approved.

"Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee" shall be at the address of the Trustee specified in Section 10.02 or such other address as to which the Trustee may give notice to the Issuers.

"Credit Facilities" means, with respect to the Company and/or its Restricted Subsidiaries, one or more debt facilities or commercial paper facilities (including the Vulcan Backstop Facility), in each case with banks or other lenders (other than a Parent of the Issuers, but including the lenders under the Vulcan Backstop Facility) providing for revolving credit loans, term loans, receivables financing (including through the sale of receivables to such lenders or to special purpose entities formed to borrow from such lenders against such receivables) or letters of credit, in each case, as amended, restated, modified, renewed, refunded, replaced or refinanced in whole or in part from time to time.

"Default" means any event that is, or with the passage of time or the giving of notice or both would be, an Event of Default.

"Definitive Note" means a certificated Note registered in the name of the Holder thereof and issued in accordance with Section 2.06, substantially in the form of Exhibit A hereto, except that such Note shall not bear the Global Note Legend and shall not have the "Schedule of Exchanges of Interests in the Global Note" attached thereto.

"Depositary" means, with respect to the Global Notes, the Person specified in Section 2.03 as the Depositary with respect to the Notes, and any and all successors thereto appointed as depositary hereunder and having become such pursuant to the applicable provision of this Indenture.

"Disposition" means, with respect to any Person, any merger, consolidation or other business combination involving such Person (whether or not such Person is the surviving Person) or the sale, assignment, transfer, lease or conveyance or other disposition of all or substantially all of such Person's assets or Capital Stock.

"Disqualified Stock" means any Capital Stock that, by its terms (or by the terms of any security into which it is convertible, or for which it is exchangeable, in each case at the option of the holder thereof), or upon the happening of any event, matures or is mandatorily redeemable, pursuant to a sinking fund obligation or otherwise, or redeemable at the option of the holder thereof, in whole or in part, on or prior to the date that is 91 days after the date on which the Notes mature. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, any Capital Stock that would constitute Disqualified Stock solely because the holders thereof have the right to require the Company to repurchase such Capital Stock upon the occurrence of a change of control or an asset sale shall not constitute Disqualified Stock if the terms of such Capital Stock provide that the Company may not repurchase or redeem any such Capital Stock pursuant to such provisions unless such repurchase or redeemtion complies with Section 4.07.

"Equity Interests" means Capital Stock and all warrants, options or other rights to acquire Capital Stock (but excluding any debt security that is convertible into, or exchangeable for, Capital Stock).

"Equity Offering" means any private or underwritten public offering of Qualified Capital Stock of the Company or a Parent of which the gross proceeds to the Company or received by the Company as a capital contribution from such Parent, as the case may be, are at least \$25 million.

"Euroclear" means Morgan Guaranty Trust Company of New York, Brussels office, as operator of the Euroclear system.

"Exchange Act" means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

"Exchange Notes" means the Issuers' 10.25% Senior Notes due 2010, containing terms substantially identical to the Initial Notes or any Initial Additional Notes (except that (i) such Exchange Notes shall not contain terms with respect to transfer restrictions and shall be registered under the Securities Act and (ii) certain provisions relating to an increase in the stated rate of interest thereon shall be eliminated), that are issued and exchanged for (a) the Initial Notes, as provided for in the Registration Rights Agreement relating to such Initial Additional Notes and this Indenture (including any amendment or supplement thereto).

"Exchange Offer" means an offer to exchange Initial Notes or Initial Additional Notes, if any, for Exchange Notes pursuant to a Registration Rights Agreement.

"Exchange Offer Registration Statement" means a registration statement relating to an Exchange Offer as may be provided in any Registration Rights Agreement.

"Existing Indebtedness" means Indebtedness of the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries in existence on the Issue Date, until such amounts are repaid.

"GAAP" means generally accepted accounting principles set forth in the opinions and pronouncements of the Accounting Principles Board of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and statements and pronouncements of the Financial Accounting Standards Board or in such other statements by such other entity as have been approved by a significant

segment of the accounting profession, which are in effect on the Issue Date.

"Global Note Legend" means the legend set forth in Section 2.06(g)(ii), which is required to be placed on all Global Notes issued under this Indenture.

"Global Notes" means, individually and collectively, each of the Restricted Global Notes and the Unrestricted Global Notes.

"Government Securities" means direct obligations of, or obligations guaranteed by, the United States of America, and the payment for which the United States pledges its full faith and credit.

"Guarantee" or "guarantee" means a guarantee other than by endorsement of negotiable instruments for collection in the ordinary course of business, direct or indirect, in any manner including, without limitation, by way of a pledge of assets or through letters of credit or reimbursement agreements in respect thereof, of all or any part of any Indebtedness, measured as the lesser of the aggregate outstanding amount of the Indebtedness so guaranteed and the face amount of the guarantee.

"Hedging Obligations" means, with respect to any Person, the obligations of such Person under:

- 1. interest rate swap agreements, interest rate cap agreements and interest rate collar agreements;
- 2. interest rate option agreements, foreign currency exchange agreements, foreign currency swap agreements; and
- 3. other agreements or arrangements designed to protect such Person against fluctuations in interest and currency exchange rates.

"Helicon Preferred Stock" means the preferred limited liability company interest of Charter-Helicon LLC with an aggregate liquidation value of \$25 million.

"Holder" means a holder of the Notes.

"Indebtedness" means, with respect to any specified Person, any indebtedness of such Person, whether or not contingent:

- in respect of borrowed money;
- 2. evidenced by bonds, notes, debentures or similar instruments or letters of credit (or reimbursement agreements in respect thereof);
- 3. in respect of banker's acceptances;
- 4. representing Capital Lease Obligations;
- 5. in respect of the balance deferred and unpaid of the purchase price of any property, except any such balance that constitutes an accrued expense or trade payable; or
- 6. representing the notional amount of any Hedging Obligations.

if and to the extent any of the preceding items (other than letters of credit and Hedging Obligations) would appear as a liability upon a balance sheet of the specified Person prepared in accordance with GAAP. In addition, the term "Indebtedness" includes all Indebtedness of others secured by a Lien on any asset of the specified Person (whether or not such Indebtedness is assumed by the specified Person) and, to the extent not otherwise included, the guarantee by such Person of any indebtedness of any other Person.

The amount of any Indebtedness outstanding as of any date shall be:

- 1. the accreted value thereof, in the case of any Indebtedness issued with original issue discount; and
- 2. the principal amount thereof, together with any interest thereon that is more than 30 days past due, in the case of any other Indebtedness.

"Indenture" means this Indenture, as amended or supplemented from time to time.

"Indirect Participant" means a Person who holds a beneficial interest in a Global Note through a Participant.

"Initial Additional Notes" means Additional Notes issued in an offering not registered under the Securities Act.

"Initial Notes" means the Issuers' 10.25% Senior Notes due 2010, issued on the Issue Date (and any Notes issued in respect thereof pursuant to Section 2.06, 2.07, 2.10, 3.06, 3.09, 4.16 or 9.05).

"Institutional Accredited Investor" means an institution that is an "accredited investor" as defined in Rule 501(a)(1), (2), (3) or (7) under the Securities Act that is not also a QIB.

"Investment Grade Rating" means a rating equal to or higher than Baa3 (or the equivalent) by Moody's and BBB- (or the equivalent) by S&P.

"Investments" means, with respect to any Person, all investments by such Person in other Persons, including Affiliates, in the forms of direct or indirect loans (including guarantees of Indebtedness or other obligations), advances or capital contributions (excluding commission, travel and similar advances to officers and employees made in the ordinary course of business) and purchases or other acquisitions for consideration of Indebtedness, Equity Interests or other securities, together with all items that are or would be classified as investments on a balance sheet prepared in accordance with GAAP.

"Issue Date" means September 23, 2003

"Issuers" has the meaning assigned to it in the preamble to this Indenture.

"Legal Holiday" means a Saturday, a Sunday or a day on which banking institutions in The City of New York or at a place of payment are authorized by law, regulation or executive order to remain closed. If a payment date is a Legal Holiday at a place of payment, payment may be made at that place on the next succeeding day that is not a Legal Holiday, and no interest shall accrue on such payment for the intervening period.

"Letter of Transmittal" means the letter of transmittal to be prepared by the Issuers and sent to all Holders of the Initial Notes or any Initial Additional Notes for use by such Holders in connection with any Exchange Offer.

"Leverage Ratio" means, as to the Company, as of any date, the ratio of:

- 1. the Consolidated Indebtedness of the Company on such date to
- 2. the aggregate amount of Consolidated EBITDA for the Company for the most recently ended fiscal quarter for which internal financial statements are available multiplied by four (the "Reference Period").

In addition to the foregoing, for purposes of this definition, "Consolidated EBITDA" shall be calculated on a pro forma basis after giving effect to

- 1. the issuance of the Notes;
- 2. the incurrence of the Indebtedness or the issuance of the Disqualified Stock or Preferred Stock of a Restricted Subsidiary (and the application of the proceeds therefrom) giving rise to the need to make such calculation and any incurrence or issuance (and the application of the proceeds therefrom) or repayment of other Indebtedness, Disqualified Stock or Preferred Stock of a Restricted Subsidiary, other than the incurrence or repayment of Indebtedness for ordinary working capital purposes, at any time subsequent to the beginning of the Reference Period and on or prior to the date of determination, as if such incurrence (and the application of the proceeds thereof), or the repayment, as the case may be, occurred on the first day of the Reference Period; and

3. any Dispositions or Asset Acquisitions (including, without limitation, any Asset Acquisition giving rise to the need to make such calculation as a result of such Person or one of its Restricted Subsidiaries (including any person that becomes a Restricted Subsidiary as a result of such Asset Acquisition) incurring, assuming or otherwise becoming liable for or issuing Indebtedness, Disqualified Stock or Preferred Stock) made on or subsequent to the first day of the Reference Period and on or prior to the date of determination, as if such Disposition or Asset Acquisition (including the incurrence, assumption or liability for any such Indebtedness, Disqualified Stock or Preferred Stock and also including any Consolidated EBITDA associated with such Asset Acquisition, including any cost savings adjustments in compliance with Regulation S-X promulgated by the Commission) had occurred on the first day of the Reference Period.

"Lien" means, with respect to any asset, any mortgage, lien, pledge, charge, security interest or encumbrance of any kind in respect of such asset, whether or not filed, recorded or otherwise perfected under applicable law, including any conditional sale or other title retention agreement, any lease in the nature thereof, any option or other agreement to sell or give a security interest in and any filing of or agreement to give any financing statement under the Uniform Commercial Code (or equivalent statutes) of any jurisdiction.

"Management Fees" means the fees payable to CCI pursuant to the management and mutual services agreements between any Parent of the Company and Charter Communications Operating, LLC and between any Parent of the Company and other Restricted Subsidiaries of the Company and pursuant to the limited liability company agreements of certain Restricted Subsidiaries as such management, mutual services or limited liability company agreements exist on the Issue Date (or, if later, on the date any new Restricted Subsidiary is acquired or created), including any amendment or replacement thereof, *provided*, that any such new agreements or amendments or replacements of existing agreements is not more disadvantageous to the holders of the Notes in any material respect than such management agreements existing on the Issue Date and *further provided*, that such new, amended or replacement management agreements do not provide for percentage fees, taken together with fees under existing agreem ents, any higher than 3.5% of CCI's consolidated total revenues for the applicable payment period.

"Moody's" means Moody's Investors Service, Inc. or any successor to the rating agency business thereof.

"Net Proceeds" means the aggregate cash proceeds received by the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries in respect of any Asset Sale (including, without limitation, any cash received upon the sale or other disposition of any non-cash consideration received in any Asset Sale), net of the direct costs relating to such Asset Sale, including, without limitation, legal, accounting and investment banking fees, and sales commissions, and any relocation expenses incurred as a result thereof or taxes paid or payable as a result thereof (including amounts distributable in respect of owners', partners' or members' tax liabilities resulting from such sale), in each case after taking into account any available tax credits or deductions and any tax sharing arrangements and amounts required to be applied to the repayment of Indebtedness.

"Non-Recourse Debt" means Indebtedness:

- 1. as to which neither the Company nor any of its Restricted Subsidiaries (a) provides credit support of any kind (including any undertaking, agreement or instrument that would constitute Indebtedness), (b) is directly or indirectly liable as a guarantor or otherwise, or (c) constitutes the lender;
- 2. no default with respect to which (including any rights that the holders thereof may have to take enforcement action against an Unrestricted Subsidiary) would permit upon notice, lapse of time or both any holder of any other Indebtedness (other than the Notes) of the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to declare a default on such other Indebtedness or cause the payment thereof to be accelerated or payable prior to its stated maturity; and
- 3. as to which the lenders have been notified in writing that they will not have any recourse to the Capital Stock or assets of the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries.

"Non-U.S. Person" means a Person who is not a U.S. Person.

"Note" or "Notes" means the Initial Notes, any Additional Notes and the Exchange Notes.

"Obligations" means any principal, interest, penalties, fees, indemnifications, reimbursements, damages and other liabilities payable under the documentation governing any Indebtedness.

"Officer" means, with respect to any Person, the Chairman of the Board, the Chief Executive Officer, the President, the Chief Operating Officer, the Chief Financial Officer, the Treasurer, any Assistant Treasurer, the Controller, the Secretary or any Vice-President of such Person.

"Officers' Certificate" means a certificate signed on behalf of the Company or Capital Corp, as the case may be, by two Officers of the Company or Capital Corp, as the case may be, one of whom must be the principal executive officer, the chief financial officer or the treasurer of the Company or Capital Corp, as the case may be, that meets the requirements of Section 10.05.

"Opinion of Counsel" means an opinion from legal counsel that meets the requirements of Section 10.05. The counsel may be an employee of or counsel to the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company.

"Original Notes" means the Initial Notes and any Exchange Notes issued in exchange therefor.

"Parent" means CCH I, Charter Holdings, Charter Communications Holding Company, LLC, CCI and/or any direct or indirect Subsidiary of the foregoing 100% of the Capital Stock of which is owned directly or indirectly beneficially owns 100% of the Capital Stock of the Company, and any successor Person to any of the foregoing.

"Participant" means, with respect to the Depositary, Euroclear or Clearstream, a Person who has an account with the Depositary, Euroclear or Clearstream, respectively (and, with respect to DTC, shall include Euroclear and Clearstream).

"Permitted Investments" means:

- 1. any Investment by the Company in a Restricted Subsidiary of the Company, or any Investment by a Restricted Subsidiary of the Company in the Company or in another Restricted Subsidiary of the Company;
- 2. any Investment in Cash Equivalents;
- 3. any Investment by the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries in a Person, if as a result of such Investment:
  - a. such Person becomes a Restricted Subsidiary of the Company; or
  - b. such Person is merged, consolidated or amalgamated with or into, or transfers or conveys substantially all of its assets to, or is liquidated into, the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary of the Company;
- 4. any Investment made as a result of the receipt of non-cash consideration from an Asset Sale that was made pursuant to and in compliance with Section 4.11;
- 5. any Investment made out of the net cash proceeds of the issue and sale from and after the Issue Date (other than to a Subsidiary of the Company) of Equity Interests (other than Disqualified Stock) of the Company to the extent that such net cash proceeds have not been applied to make a Restricted Payment or to effect other transactions pursuant to Section 4.07 hereof;
- 6. other Investments in any Person (other than any Parent) having an aggregate fair market value, when taken together with all other Investments in any Person made by the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries (without duplication) pursuant to this clause (6) from and after the Issue Date, not to exceed \$750 million (initially measured on the date each such Investment was made and without giving effect to subsequent changes in value, but reducing the amount outstanding by the aggregate amount of principal, interest, dividends, distributions, repayments, proceeds or other value otherwise returned or recovered in respect of any such Investment, but not to exceed the initial amount of such Investment) at any one time outstanding; and
- 7. Investments in customers and suppliers in the ordinary course of business which either (A) generate accounts receivable or (B) are accepted in settlement of bona fide disputes; and
- 8. Investments resulting from the Private Exchanges.

- 1. Liens on the assets of the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries securing Indebtedness and other Obligations under any of the Credit Facilities;
- 2. Liens in favor of the Company;
- 3. Liens on property of a Person existing at the time such Person is merged with or into or consolidated with the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary thereof; provided that such Liens were in existence prior to the contemplation of such merger or consolidation and do not extend to any assets other than those of the Person merged into or consolidated with the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary thereof;
- 4. Liens on property existing at the time of acquisition thereof by the Company or its Restricted Subsidiaries; provided that such Liens were in existence prior to the contemplation of such acquisition;
- 5. Liens to secure the performance of statutory obligations, surety or appeal bonds, performance bonds or other obligations of a like nature incurred in the ordinary course of business;
- 6. purchase money mortgages or other purchase money Liens (including, without limitation, any Capital Lease Obligations) incurred by the Company or its Restricted Subsidiaries upon any fixed or capital assets acquired on or after the Issue Date or purchase money mortgages (including without limitation Capital Lease Obligations) on any such assets, whether or not assumed, existing at the time of acquisition of such assets, whether or not assumed, so long as
  - i. such mortgage or Lien does not extend to or cover any of the assets of the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries, except the asset so developed, constructed, or acquired, and directly related assets such as enhancements and modifications thereto, substitutions, replacements, proceeds (including insurance proceeds), products, rents and profits thereof, and
  - ii. such mortgage or Lien secures the obligation to pay all or a portion of the purchase price of such asset, interest thereon and other charges, costs and expenses (including, without limitation, the cost of design, development, construction, acquisition, transportation, installation, improvement, and migration) and is incurred in connection therewith (or the obligation under such Capital Lease Obligation) only;
- 7. Liens existing on the Issue Date (other than in connection with the Credit Facilities) and replacement Liens therefor that do not encumber additional property;
- 8. Liens for taxes, assessments or governmental charges or claims that are not yet delinquent or that are being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings promptly instituted and diligently concluded; provided that any reserve or other appropriate provision as shall be required in conformity with GAAP shall have been made therefor;
- 9. statutory and common law Liens of landlords and carriers, warehousemen, mechanics, suppliers, materialmen, repairmen or other similar Liens arising in the ordinary course of business and with respect to amounts not yet delinquent or being contested in good faith by appropriate legal proceedings promptly instituted and diligently conducted and for which a reserve or other appropriate provision, if any, as shall be required in conformity with GAAP shall have been made;
- 10. Liens incurred or deposits made in the ordinary course of business in connection with workers' compensation, unemployment insurance and other types of social security;
- 11. Liens incurred or deposits made to secure the performance of tenders, bids, leases, statutory or regulatory obligation, bankers' acceptance, surety and appeal bonds, government contracts, performance and return-of-money bonds and other obligations of a similar nature incurred in the ordinary course of business (exclusive of obligations for the payment of borrowed money);
- 12. easements, rights-of-way, municipal and zoning ordinances and similar charges, encumbrances, title defects or other irregularities that do not materially interfere with the ordinary course of business of the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries;
- 13. Liens of franchisors or other regulatory bodies arising in the ordinary course of business;
- 14. Liens arising from filing Uniform Commercial Code financing statements regarding leases or other Uniform Commercial Code financing statements for precautionary purposes relating to arrangements not constituting Indebtedness;
- 15. Liens arising from the rendering of a final judgment or order against the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries that does not give rise to an Event of Default;
- 16. Liens securing reimbursement obligations with respect to letters of credit that encumber documents and other property relating to such letters of credit and the products and proceeds thereof:
- 17. Liens encumbering customary initial deposits and margin deposits, and other Liens that are within the general parameters customary in the industry and incurred in the ordinary course of business, in each case, securing Indebtedness under Hedging Obligations and forward contracts, options, future contracts, future options or similar agreements or arrangements designed solely to protect the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries from fluctuations in interest rates, currencies or the price of commodities;
- 18. Liens consisting of any interest or title of licensor in the property subject to a license;
- 19. Liens on the Capital Stock of Unrestricted Subsidiaries;
- 20. Liens arising from sales or other transfers of accounts receivable which are past due or otherwise doubtful of collection in the ordinary course of business;
- 21. Liens incurred in the ordinary course of business of the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries with respect to obligations which in the aggregate do not exceed \$50 million at any one time outstanding;
- 22. Liens in favor of the Trustee arising under the provisions of Section 7.07 of this Indenture and similar provisions in favor of trustees or other agents or representatives under indentures or other agreements governing debt instruments entered into after the date hereof;
- 23. Liens in favor of the Trustee for its benefit and the benefit of Holders as their respective interests appear; and
- 24. Liens securing Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness, to the extent that the Indebtedness being refinanced was secured or was permitted to be secured by such Liens.

"Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness" means any Indebtedness of the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries issued in exchange for, or the net proceeds of which are used, within 60 days after the date of issuance thereof, to extend, refinance, renew, replace, defease or refund, other Indebtedness of the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries (other than intercompany Indebtedness); provided that unless permitted otherwise by this Indenture, no Indebtedness of any Restricted Subsidiary may be issued in exchange for, nor may the net proceeds of Indebtedness be used to extend, refinance, renew, replace, defease or refund, Indebtedness of the direct or indirect parent of such Restricted Subsidiary; provided, further, that:

- 1. the principal amount (or accreted value, if applicable) of such Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness does not exceed the principal amount of (or accreted value, if applicable), plus accrued interest and premium, if any, on the Indebtedness so extended, refinanced, renewed, replaced, defeased or refunded (plus the amount of reasonable expenses incurred in connection therewith), except to the extent that any such excess principal amount would be then permitted to be incurred by other provisions of Section 4.10;
- 2. such Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness has a final maturity date later than the final maturity date of, and has a Weighted Average Life to Maturity equal to or greater than the Weighted Average Life to Maturity of, the Indebtedness being extended, refinanced, renewed, replaced, defeased or refunded; and
- 3. if the Indebtedness being extended, refinanced, renewed, replaced, defeased or refunded is subordinated in right of payment to the Notes, such Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness has a final maturity date later than the final maturity date of, and is subordinated in right of payment to, the Notes on terms at least as favorable to the Holders of Notes as those contained in the documentation governing the Indebtedness being extended, refinanced, renewed, replaced, defeased or refunded.

"Person" means any individual, corporation, partnership, joint venture, association, limited liability company, joint stock company, trust, unincorporated organization, government or agency or political subdivision thereof or any other entity.

"Preferred Stock," as applied to the Capital Stock of any Person, means Capital Stock of any class or classes (however designated) which, by its terms, is preferred as to the payment of dividends, or as to the distribution of assets upon any voluntary or involuntary liquidation or dissolution of such Person, over shares of Capital Stock of any other class of such Person.

"Private Exchanges" means, collectively,

- 1. the acquisition by the Company of certain senior notes and senior discount notes outstanding under the Charter Holdings Indentures, in exchange for Notes, pursuant to one or more Exchange Agreements dated on or after September 18, 2003, as such agreements may be supplemented, modified, extended or amended from time to time;
- 2. the acquisition by the Company of certain convertible senior notes outstanding under the CCI Indentures in exchange for Notes, pursuant to one or more Exchange Agreements dated on or after September 18, 2003, as such agreements may be supplemented, modified, extended or amended from time to time; and
- 3. the distribution, loan or investment of (a) senior notes and senior discount notes accepted in exchange for Notes as contemplated by clause (1) of this definition, (B) convertible notes accepted in exchange for Notes as contemplated by clause (2) of this definition and (c) amounts sufficient to satisfy the expenses incurred by any Parent in connection therewith (including any required payment of accrued interest thereon), in each case, directly or indirectly to or in any Parent.

"Private Placement Legend" means the legend set forth in Section 2.06(g)(i)(a) to be placed on all Notes issued under this Indenture except where otherwise permitted by the provisions of this Indenture.

"Productive Assets" means assets (including assets of a referent Person owned directly or indirectly through ownership of Capital Stock) of a kind used or useful in the Cable Related Business.

"QIB" means a "qualified institutional buyer" as defined in Rule 144A.

"Qualified Capital Stock" means any Capital Stock that is not Disqualified Stock.

"Rating Agencies" means Moody's and S&P.

"Registration Rights Agreement" means (a) the Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement dated as of the Issue Date among the Issuers and the initial purchasers named therein with respect to the Initial Notes and (b) any registration rights agreement among the Issuers and the initial purchasers named therein with respect to any Initial Additional Notes.

"Regulation S" means Regulation S promulgated under the Securities Act.

"Regulation S Global Note" means a global note substantially in the form of Exhibit A hereto bearing the Global Note Legend and the Private Placement Legend and deposited with or on behalf of, and registered in the name of, the Depositary or its nominee that will be issued in an initial denomination equal to the outstanding principal amount of the Initial Notes or any Initial Additional Notes, in each case, initially sold in reliance on Rule 903 of Regulation S.

"Related Party" means:

- 1, the spouse or an immediate family member, estate or heir of Paul G. Allen; or
- 2. any trust, corporation, partnership or other entity, the beneficiaries, stockholders, partners, owners or Persons beneficially holding an 80% or more controlling interest of which consist of Paul G. Allen and/or such other Persons referred to in the immediately preceding clause (1).

"Responsible Officer," when used with respect to the Trustee, means any officer within the Corporate Trust Administration of the Trustee (or any successor group of the Trustee) with direct responsibility for the administration of this Indenture and also means, with respect to a particular corporate trust matter, any other officer to whom such matter is referred because of his knowledge of and familiarity with the particular subject.

"Restricted Definitive Note" means a Definitive Note bearing the Private Placement Legend.

"Restricted Global Note" means a Global Note bearing the Private Placement Legend.

"Restricted Investment" means an Investment other than a Permitted Investment.

"Restricted Subsidiary" of a Person means any Subsidiary of the referent Person that is not an Unrestricted Subsidiary.

"Rule 144" means Rule 144 promulgated under the Securities Act.

"Rule 144A" means Rule 144A promulgated under the Securities Act.

"Rule 144A Global Note" means a global note substantially in the form of <u>Exhibit A</u> hereto bearing the Global Note Legend and the Private Placement Legend and deposited with or on behalf of, and registered in the name of, the Depositary or its nominee that will be issued in an initial denomination equal to the outstanding principal amount of the Initial Notes or any Initial Additional Notes, in each case initially sold in reliance on Rule 144A.

"Rule 903" means Rule 903 promulgated under the Securities Act.

"Rule 904" means Rule 904 promulgated under the Securities Act.

 $"S\&P"\ means\ Standard\ \&\ Poor's\ Ratings\ Service,\ a\ division\ of\ the\ McGraw-Hill\ Companies,\ Inc.\ or\ any\ successor\ to\ the\ rating\ agency\ business\ thereof.$ 

"Securities Act" means the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

"Shelf Registration Statement" means a "shelf" registration statement providing for the registration and the sale on a continuous or delayed basis of the Initial Notes or any Initial Additional Notes as may be provided in any Registration Rights Agreement.

"Significant Subsidiary" means (a) with respect to any Person, any Restricted Subsidiary of such Person which would be considered a "Significant Subsidiary" as defined in Rule 1-02(w) of Regulation S-X under the Securities Act and (b) in addition, with respect to the Company, Capital Corp.

"Special Interest" means special or additional interest in respect of the Notes that is payable by the Issuers as liquidated damages upon specified registration defaults pursuant to any Registration Rights Agreement.

"Stated Maturity" means, with respect to any installment of interest or principal on any series of Indebtedness, the date on which such payment of interest or principal was scheduled to be paid in the documentation governing such Indebtedness on the Issue Date, or, if none, the original documentation governing such Indebtedness, and shall not include any contingent obligations to repay, redeem or repurchase any such interest or principal prior to the date originally scheduled for the payment thereof.

"Subsidiary" means, with respect to any Person:

- 1. any corporation, association or other business entity of which at least 50% of the total voting power of shares of Capital Stock entitled (without regard to the occurrence of any contingency) to vote in the election of directors, managers or trustees thereof is at the time owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by such Person or one or more of the other Subsidiaries of that Person (or a combination thereof) and, in the case of any such entity of which 50% of the total voting power of shares of Capital Stock is so owned or controlled by such Person or one or more of the other Subsidiaries of such Person, such Person and its Subsidiaries also have the right to control the management of such entity pursuant to contract or otherwise; and
- 2. any partnership (a) the sole general partner or the managing general partner of which is such Person or a Subsidiary of such Person or (b) the only general partners of which are such Person or of one or more Subsidiaries of such Person (or any combination thereof).

"Tax" shall mean any tax, duty, levy, impost, assessment or other governmental charge (including penalties, interest and any other liabilities related thereto).

"TIA" means the Trust Indenture Act of 1939 (15 U.S.C. ss.ss. 77aaa-77bbbb) as in effect on the date on which this Indenture is qualified under the TIA; provided, however, that in the event the Trust Indenture Act of 1939 is amended after such date, then "TIA" means, to the extent required by such amendment, the Trust Indenture Act of 1939 as so amended.

"Trustee" means Wells Fargo Bank, National Association until a successor replaces Wells Fargo Bank, National Association in accordance with the applicable provisions of this Indenture and thereafter means the successor serving hereunder.

"Unrestricted Definitive Note" means one or more Definitive Notes that do not bear and are not required to bear the Private Placement Legend.

"Unrestricted Global Note" means a permanent global note substantially in the form of Exchanges of Interests in the Global Note Legend and that has the "Schedule of Exchanges of Interests in the Global Note" attached thereto, and that is deposited with or on behalf of and registered in the name of the Depositary, representing a series of Notes that do not bear the Private Placement Legend.

"Unrestricted Subsidiary" means any Subsidiary of the Company that is designated by the Board of Directors of the Company as an Unrestricted Subsidiary pursuant to a board resolution, but only to the extent that such Subsidiary:

- 1. has no Indebtedness other than Non-Recourse Debt;
- 2. is not party to any agreement, contract, arrangement or understanding with the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary thereof unless the terms of any such agreement, contract, arrangement or understanding are no less favorable to the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary than those that might be obtained at the time from Persons who are not Affiliates of the Company unless such terms constitute Restricted Investments permitted under Section 4.08, Permitted Investments, Asset Sales permitted under Section 4.11 or sale and leaseback transactions permitted under Section 4.12;
- 3. is a Person with respect to which neither the Company nor any of its Restricted Subsidiaries has any direct or indirect obligation (a) to subscribe for additional Equity Interests or (b) to maintain or preserve such Person's financial condition or to cause such Person to achieve any specified levels of operating results;
- 4. has not guaranteed or otherwise directly or indirectly provided credit support for any Indebtedness of the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries;
- 5. has at least one director on its board of directors or comparable governing body that is not a director or executive officer of the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries, or has at least one executive officer that is not a director or executive officer of the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries; and
- 6. does not own any Capital Stock of any Restricted Subsidiary of the Company.

Any designation of a Subsidiary of the Company as an Unrestricted Subsidiary shall be evidenced to the Trustee by filing with the Trustee a certified copy of the board resolution giving effect to such designation and an Officers' Certificate certifying that such designation complied with the preceding conditions and was permitted by Section 4.08. If, at any time, any Unrestricted Subsidiary would fail to meet the preceding requirements as an Unrestricted Subsidiary, it shall thereafter cease to be an Unrestricted Subsidiary for purposes of this Indenture and any Indebtedness of such Subsidiary shall be deemed to be incurred by a Restricted Subsidiary of the Company as of such date and, if such Indebtedness is not permitted to be incurred as of such date under Section 4.10, the Company shall be in default of such covenant. The Board of Directors of the Company may at any time designate any Unrestricted Subsidiary to be a Restricted Subsidiary; provided that such designation shall be deemed to be an incurrence of Indebtedness by a Restricted Subsidiary of any outstanding Indebtedness of such Unrestricted Subsidiary and such designation shall only be permitted if:

- 1. such Indebtedness is permitted under Section 4.10 calculated on a pro forma basis as if such designation had occurred at the beginning of the four-quarter reference period; and
- 2. no Default or Event of Default would be in existence immediately following such designation.
- "U.S. Person" means a U.S. person as defined in Rule 902(k) under the Securities Act.

"Voting Stock" of any Person as of any date means the Capital Stock of such Person that is at the time entitled to vote in the election of the board of directors or comparable governing body of such Person.

"Vulcan Backstop Facility" means a credit facility entered into or to be entered into by and among CCO Holdings, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, CCI, Charter Communications Holding Company, LLC, Charter Holdings, CCH I, the Company and/or one or more other Subsidiaries of the Company and the lenders party thereto pursuant to a commitment letter dated March 14, 2003 between Vulcan Inc. and Charter Communications VII, LLC, as amended by an extension letter dated June 30, 2003, by and between Vulcan Inc., CCO Holdings, LLC and Charter Communications VII, LLC, as the same may be further amended, extended, modified, supplemented or replaced from time to time.

"Weighted Average Life to Maturity" means, when applied to any Indebtedness at any date, the number of years obtained by dividing:

- 1. the sum of the products obtained by multiplying (a) the amount of each then remaining installment, sinking fund, serial maturity or other required payments of principal, including payment at final maturity, in respect thereof, by (b) the number of years (calculated to the nearest one-twelfth) that will elapse between such date and the making of such payment; by
- 2. the then outstanding principal amount of such Indebtedness.

"Wholly Owned Restricted Subsidiary" of any Person means a Restricted Subsidiary of such Person all of the outstanding common equity interests or other ownership interests of which (other than directors' qualifying shares) shall at the time be owned by such Person and/or by one or more Wholly Owned Restricted Subsidiaries of such Person.

# • SECTION 1.02 Other Definitions.

<u>Term</u>	Defined in Section
"Affiliate Transaction"	4.13
"Asset Sale Offer"	3.09
"Authentication Order"	2.02
"Change of Control Offer"	4.16
"Change of Control Payment"	4.16
"Change of Control Payment Date"	4.16
"Covenant Defeasance"	8.03
"DTC"	2.03
"Event of Default"	6.01
"Excess Proceeds"	4.11

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"Legal Defeasance"	8.02
"Offer Amount"	3.09
"Offer Period"	3.09
"Paying Agent"	2.03
"Payment Default"	6.01
"Permitted Debt"	4.10
"Preferred Stock Financing"	4.10
"Purchase Date"	3.09
"Registrar"	2.03
"Restricted Payments"	4.07
"Subordinated Debt Financing"	4.10
"Subordinated Notes"	4.10
"Subsidiary Guarantee"	
"Suspended Covenants"	

# Section 1.03 <u>Incorporation by Reference of Trust Indenture Act</u>.

Whenever this Indenture refers to a provision of the TIA, the provision is incorporated by reference in and made a part of this Indenture.

The following TIA terms used in this Indenture have the following meanings:

"indenture securities" means the Notes;

"indenture security Holder" means a Holder of a Note;

"indenture to be qualified" means this Indenture;

"indenture trustee" or "institutional trustee" means the Trustee; and

"obligor" on the Notes means the Issuers and any successor obligor upon the Notes.

All other terms used in this Indenture that are defined by the TIA, defined by TIA reference to another statute or defined by SEC rule under the TIA have the meanings so assigned to them.

# Section 1.04 Rules of Construction.

Unless the context otherwise requires:

- i. a term has the meaning assigned to it;
- ii. an accounting term not otherwise defined has the meaning assigned to it in accordance with  $\mathsf{GAAP};$
- iii. "or" is not exclusive;
- iv. words in the singular include the plural, and in the plural include the singular;
- v. provisions apply to successive events and transactions;
- vi. references to sections of or rules under the Securities Act shall be deemed to include substitute, replacement of successor sections or rules adopted by the SEC from time to time;
- vii. references to any statute, law, rule or regulation shall be deemed to refer to the same as from time to time amended and in effect and to any successor statute, law, rule or regulation; and
- viii. references to any contract, agreement or instrument shall mean the same as amended, modified, supplemented or amended and restated from time to time, in each case, in accordance with any applicable restrictions contained in this Indenture.

a. <u>General</u>. The Notes and the Trustee's certificate of authentication shall be substantially in the form of <u>Exhibit A</u> hereto. The Notes may have notations, legends or endorsements required by law, stock exchange rule or usage. Each Note shall be dated the date of its authentication. The Notes shall be in denominations of \$1,000 and integral multiples thereof.

The terms and provisions contained in the Notes shall constitute, and are hereby expressly made, a part of this Indenture and the Issuers and the Trustee, by their execution and delivery of this Indenture, expressly agree to such terms and provisions and to be bound thereby. However, to the extent any provision of any Note conflicts with the express provisions of this Indenture, the provisions of this Indenture shall govern and be controlling.

- b. <u>Global Notes</u>. Notes issued in global form shall be substantially in the form of <u>Exhibit A</u> attached hereto (including the Global Note Legend thereon and the "Schedule of Exchanges of Interests in the Global Note" attached thereto). Notes issued in definitive form shall be substantially in the form of <u>Exhibit A</u> attached hereto (but without the Global Note Legend thereon and without the "Schedule of Exchanges of Interests in the Global Note" attached thereto). Each Global Note shall represent such of the outstanding Notes as shall be specified therein and each shall provide that it shall represent the aggregate principal amount of outstanding Notes from time to time endorsed thereon and that the aggregate principal amount of outstanding Notes represented thereby may from time to time be reduced or increased, as appropriate, to reflect exchanges and redemptions. Any endorsement of a Global Note to reflect the amount of any increase or decrease in the aggregate principal amount of outstanding Notes represented thereby shall be made by the Trustee or the custodian, at the direction of the Trustee, in accordance with instructions given by the Holder thereof as required by Section 2.06.
- c. Euroclear and Clearstream Procedures Applicable. The provisions of the "Operating Procedures of the Euroclear System" and "Terms and Conditions Governing Use of Euroclear" and the "General Terms and Conditions of Clearstream" and "Customer Handbook" of Clearstream (or, in each case, equivalent documents setting forth the procedures of Euroclear and Clearstream) shall be applicable to transfers of beneficial interests in the Regulation S Global Notes that are held by Participants through Euroclear or Clearstream.

#### Section 2.02 Execution and Authentication.

Two Officers shall sign the Notes for each Issuer by manual or facsimile signature.

If an Officer whose signature is on a Note no longer holds that office at the time a Note is authenticated, the Note shall nevertheless be valid.

A Note shall not be valid until authenticated by the manual signature (which may be by facsimile) of the Trustee. The signature shall be conclusive evidence that the Note has been authenticated under this Indenture.

At any time and from time to time after the execution and delivery of this Indenture, the Issuers may deliver Notes executed by the Issuers to the Trustee for authentication; and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver (i) Initial Notes for original issue in the aggregate principal amount of \$1,601,375,000.00, (ii) Additional Notes from time to time for original issue in aggregate principal amount specified by the Issuers and (iii) Exchange Notes from time to time for issue in exchange for a like principal amount of Initial Notes or Initial Additional Notes, in each case specified in clauses (i) through (iii) above, upon a written order of the Issuers signed by an Officer of each of the Issuers (an "Authentication Order"). Such Authentication Order shall specify the amount of Notes to be authenticated and the date on which the Notes are to be authenticated, whether such notes are to be Initial Notes, Additional Notes or Exchange Notes and whether the Notes are to be issued as one or more Global Notes and such other information as the Issuers may include or the Trustee may reasonably request. The aggregate principal amount of Notes which may be authenticated and delivered under this Indenture is unlimited.

On the Issue Date, the Issuers will issue \$1,601,375,000.00 aggregate principal amount of Initial Notes. Initial Notes and any Initial Additional Notes offered and sold in reliance on the exemption from registration under the Securities Act provided by Section 4(2) thereunder or Rule 144A shall be issued as one or more Rule 144A Global Notes. Initial Notes and any Initial Additional Notes offered and sold in offshore transactions in reliance on Regulation S shall be issued as one or more Regulation S Global Notes.

The Trustee may appoint an authenticating agent acceptable to the Issuers to authenticate Notes. An authenticating agent may authenticate Notes whenever the Trustee may do so. Each reference in this Indenture to authentication by the Trustee includes authentication by such agent. An authenticating agent has the same rights as an Agent to deal with Holders or an Affiliate of the Issuers.

#### Section 2.03 Registrar and Paying Agent.

The Issuers shall maintain an office or agency where Notes may be presented for registration of transfer or for exchange ("Registrar") and an office or agency where Notes may be presented for payment ("Paying Agent"). The Registrar shall keep a register of the Notes and of their transfer and exchange. The Issuers may appoint one or more co-registrars and one or more additional paying agents. The term "Registrar" includes any co-registrar and the term "Paying Agent" includes any additional paying agent. The Issuers may change any Paying Agent or Registrar without notice to any Holder. The Issuers shall notify the Trustee in writing of the name and address of any Agent not a party to this Indenture. If the Issuers fail to appoint or maintain another entity as Registrar or Paying Agent, the Trustee shall act as such. The Company or any of its Subsidiaries may act as Paying Agent or Registrar.

The Issuers initially appoint The Depository Trust Company ("DTC") to act as Depositary with respect to the Global Notes.

The Issuers initially appoint the Trustee to act as the Registrar and Paying Agent and to act as Custodian with respect to the Global Notes.

#### Section 2.04 Paying Agent to Hold Money in Trust.

The Issuers shall require each Paying Agent other than the Trustee to agree in writing that the Paying Agent shall hold in trust for the benefit of Holders or the Trustee all money held by the Paying Agent for the payment of principal, premium, if any, or interest on the Notes, and shall notify the Trustee of any default by the Issuers in making any such payment. While any such default continues, the Trustee may require a Paying Agent to pay all money held by it to the Trustee. The Issuers at any time may require a Paying Agent to pay all money held by it to the Trustee. Upon payment over to the Trustee, the Paying Agent (if other than the Company or a Subsidiary) shall have no further liability for the money. If the Company or a Subsidiary acts as Paying Agent, it shall segregate and hold in a separate trust fund for the benefit of the Holders all money held by it as Paying Agent. Upon any bankruptcy or reorganization proceedings relating to the Issuers, the Trustee shall serve as Paying Agent for the Notes.

#### Section 2.05 Holder Lists.

The Trustee shall preserve in as current a form as is reasonably practicable the most recent list available to it of the names and addresses of all Holders and shall otherwise comply with TIA ss. 312(a). If the Trustee is not the Registrar, the Issuers shall furnish to the Trustee at least seven Business Days before each interest payment date and at such other times as the Trustee may request in writing, a list in such form and as of such date as the Trustee may reasonably require of the names and addresses of the Holders of Notes and the Issuers shall otherwise comply with TIA ss. 312(a).

#### Section 2.06 Transfer and Exchange.

- a. <u>Transfer and Exchange of Global Notes</u>. A Global Note may not be transferred as a whole except by the Depositary to a nominee of the Depositary, by a nominee of the Depositary to the Depositary or to another nominee of the Depositary, or by the Depositary or any such nominee to a successor Depositary or a nominee of such successor Depositary. All Global Notes shall be exchanged by the Issuers for Definitive Notes if:
  - i. the Issuers deliver to the Trustee notice from the Depositary that it is unwilling or unable to continue to act as Depositary or that it is no longer a clearing agency registered under the Exchange Act and, in either case, a successor Depositary is not appointed by the Issuers within 120 days after the date of such notice from the Depositary; or
  - ii. the Issuers in their sole discretion determine that the Global Notes (in whole but not in part) should be exchanged for Definitive Notes and deliver a written notice to such effect to the Trustee: or
  - iii. there shall have occurred and be continuing a Default or Event of Default with respect to the Notes.

Upon the occurrence of any of the preceding events in (i), (ii) or (iii) above, Definitive Notes shall be issued in such names as the Depositary shall instruct the Trustee. Global Notes also may be exchanged or replaced, in whole or in part, as provided in Sections 2.07 and 2.10. Every Note authenticated and delivered in exchange for, or in lieu of, a Global Note or any portion thereof, pursuant to this Section 2.06 or Section 2.07 or 2.10, shall be authenticated and delivered in the form of, and shall be, a Global Note. A Global Note may not be exchanged for another Note other than as provided in this Section 2.06(a); however, beneficial interests in a Global Note may be transferred and exchanged as provided in Section 2.06(b), (c) or (f).

- b. <u>Transfer and Exchange of Beneficial Interests in the Global Notes</u>. The transfer and exchange of beneficial interests in the Global Notes shall be effected through the Depositary, in accordance with the provisions of this Indenture and the Applicable Procedures. Beneficial interests in the Restricted Global Notes shall be subject to restrictions on transfer comparable to those set forth herein to the extent required by the Securities Act. Prior to the expiration of the 40-day distribution compliance period set forth in Regulation S, beneficial interests in any Regulation S Global Notes may be held only through Euroclear or Clearstream unless transferred in accordance with Section 2.06(b)(iii)(a). Transfers of beneficial interests in the Global Notes also shall require compliance with either subparagraph (i) or (ii) below, as applicable, as well as one or more of the other following subparagraphs, as applicable:
  - i. <u>Transfer of Beneficial Interests in the Same Global Note</u>. Beneficial interests in any Restricted Global Note may be transferred to Persons who take delivery thereof in the form of a beneficial interest in the same Restricted Global Note in accordance with the transfer restrictions set forth in the Private Placement Legend. Beneficial interests in any Unrestricted Global Note may be transferred to Persons who take delivery thereof in the form of a beneficial interest in an Unrestricted Global Note. No written orders or instructions shall be required to be delivered to the Registrar to effect the transfers described in this Section 2.06(b)(i).
  - ii. <u>All Other Transfers and Exchanges of Beneficial Interests in Global Notes</u>. In connection with all transfers and exchanges of beneficial interests that are not subject to Section 2.06(b)(i) above, the transferor of such beneficial interest must deliver to the Registrar either:
    - A. a written order from a Participant or an Indirect Participant given to the Depositary in accordance with the Applicable Procedures directing the Depositary to credit or cause to be credited a beneficial interest in another Global Note in an amount equal to the beneficial interest to be transferred or exchanged; and
    - B. instructions given in accordance with the Applicable Procedures containing information regarding the Participant account to be credited with such increase; or
    - C. a written order from a Participant or an Indirect Participant given to the Depositary in accordance with the Applicable Procedures directing the Depositary to cause to be issued a Definitive Note in an amount equal to the beneficial interest to be transferred or exchanged; and
    - D. instructions given by the Depositary to the Registrar containing information regarding the Person in whose name such Definitive Note shall be registered to effect the transfer or exchange referred to in (A) above.

Upon consummation of an Exchange Offer by the Issuers in accordance with Section 2.06(f), the requirements of this Section 2.06(b)(ii) shall be deemed to have been satisfied upon receipt by the Registrar of the instructions contained in the Letter of Transmittal delivered by the holder of such beneficial interests in the Restricted Global Notes. Upon satisfaction of all of the requirements for transfer or exchange of beneficial interests in Global Notes contained in this Indenture and the Notes or otherwise applicable under the Securities Act, the Trustee shall adjust the principal amount of the relevant Global Note(s) pursuant to Section 2.06(h).

- iii. <u>Transfer of Beneficial Interests to Another Restricted Global Note</u>. A beneficial interest in any Restricted Global Note may be transferred to a Person who takes delivery thereof in the form of a beneficial interest in another Restricted Global Note if the transfer complies with the requirements of Section 2.06(b)(ii) above and the Registrar receives the following:
  - A. if the transferee will take delivery in the form of a beneficial interest in the Rule 144A Global Note, then the transferor must deliver a certificate in the form of Exhibit B hereto, including the certifications in item (1) thereof; and
  - B. if the transferee will take delivery in the form of a beneficial interest in the Regulation S Global Note, then the transferor must deliver a certificate in the form of Exhibit B hereto, including the certifications in item (2) thereof.
- iv. Transfer and Exchange of Beneficial Interests in a Restricted Global Note for Beneficial Interests in an Unrestricted Global Note. A beneficial interest in any Restricted Global Note may be exchanged by any holder thereof for a beneficial interest in an Unrestricted Global Note or transferred to a Person who takes delivery thereof in the form of a beneficial interest in an Unrestricted Global Note if the exchange or transfer complies with the requirements of Section 2.06(b)(ii) above and:
  - A. such exchange or transfer is effected pursuant to an Exchange Offer in accordance with a Registration Rights Agreement and the holder of the beneficial interest to be transferred, in the case of an exchange, or the transferee, in the case of a transfer, certifies in the applicable Letter of Transmittal that it is not (1) a broker-dealer, (2) a Person participating in the distribution of the relevant Exchange Notes or (3) a Person who is an affiliate (as defined in Rule 144) of the Issuers:
  - $B. \ such \ transfer \ is \ effected \ pursuant \ to \ a \ Shelf \ Registration \ Statement \ in \ accordance \ with \ a \ Registration \ Rights \ Agreement;$
  - C. such transfer is effected by a broker- dealer pursuant to the Exchange Offer Registration Statement in accordance with a Registration Rights Agreement; or
  - D. such exchange or transfer is effected after the expiration of the 40-day distribution compliance period set forth in Regulation S and the Registrar receives the following:
    - 1. if the holder of such beneficial interest in a Restricted Global Note proposes to exchange such beneficial interest for a beneficial interest in an Unrestricted Global Note, a certificate from such holder in the form of Exhibit C hereto, including the certifications in item (1)(a) thereof; or
    - 0. if the holder of such beneficial interest in a Restricted Global Note proposes to transfer such beneficial interest to a Person who shall take delivery thereof in the form of a beneficial interest in an Unrestricted Global Note, a certificate from such holder in the form of Exhibit B hereto, including the certifications in item (4) thereof;

and, in each such case set forth in this subparagraph (D), if the Registrar so requests or if the Applicable Procedures so require, an Opinion of Counsel in form reasonably acceptable to the Registrar to the effect that such exchange or transfer is in compliance with the Securities Act and that the restrictions on transfer contained herein and in the Private Placement Legend are no longer required in order to maintain compliance with the Securities Act.

If any such transfer is effected pursuant to subparagraph (B) or (D) above at a time when an Unrestricted Global Note has not yet been issued, the Issuers shall issue and, upon receipt of an Authentication Order in accordance with Section 2.02, the Trustee shall authenticate one or more Unrestricted Global Notes in an aggregate principal amount equal to the aggregate principal amount of beneficial interests transferred pursuant to subparagraph (B) or (D) above.

Beneficial interests in an Unrestricted Global Note cannot be exchanged for, or transferred to Persons who take delivery thereof in the form of, a beneficial interest in a Restricted Global Note.

- c. Transfer or Exchange of Beneficial Interests for Definitive Notes.
  - i. <u>Beneficial Interests in Restricted Global Notes to Restricted Definitive Notes</u>. If any holder of a beneficial interest in a Restricted Global Note proposes to exchange such beneficial interest for a Restricted Definitive Note or to transfer such beneficial interest to a Person who takes delivery thereof in the form of a Restricted Definitive Note, then, upon receipt by the Registrar of the following documentation:
    - A. if the holder of such beneficial interest in a Restricted Global Note proposes to exchange such beneficial interest for a Restricted Definitive Note, a certificate from such holder in the form of <a href="Exhibit C">Exhibit C</a> hereto, including the certifications in item (2)(a) thereof (provided that any such beneficial interest in Regulation S Global Note shall not be so exchangeable until after the expiration of the 40-day distribution compliance period set forth in Regulation S);

- B. if such beneficial interest is being transferred to a QIB in accordance with Rule 144A under the Securities Act, a certificate to the effect set forth in Exhibit B hereto, including the certifications in item (1) thereof;
- C. if such beneficial interest is being transferred to a Non- U.S. Person in an offshore transaction in accordance with Rule 903 or Rule 904 under the Securities Act, a certificate to the effect set forth in Exhibit B hereto, including the certifications in item (2) thereof;
- D. if such beneficial interest is being transferred pursuant to an exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act in accordance with Rule 144 under the Securities Act, a certificate to the effect set forth in Exhibit B hereto, including the certifications in item (3)(a) thereof;
- E. if such beneficial interest is being transferred to an Institutional Accredited Investor in reliance on an exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act other than those listed in subparagraphs (B) through (D) above, a certificate to the effect set forth in <a href="Exhibit B">Exhibit B</a> hereto, including the certifications, certificates and Opinion of Counsel required by item (3)(d) thereof, if applicable;
- F. if such beneficial interest is being transferred to the Issuers or any of their Subsidiaries, a certificate to the effect set forth in Exhibit B hereto, including the certifications in item (3)(b) thereof; or
- G. if such beneficial interest is being transferred pursuant to an effective registration statement under the Securities Act, a certificate to the effect set forth in Exhibit B hereto, including the certifications in item (3)(c) thereof,

the Trustee shall cause the aggregate principal amount of the applicable Global Note to be reduced accordingly pursuant to Section 2.06(h), and the Issuers shall execute and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver to the Person designated in the instructions a Definitive Note in the appropriate principal amount. Any Definitive Note issued in exchange for a beneficial interest in a Restricted Global Note pursuant to this Section 2.06(c) shall be registered in such name or names and in such authorized denomination or denominations as the holder of such beneficial interest shall instruct the Registrar through instructions from the Depositary and the Participant or Indirect Participant. The Trustee shall deliver such Definitive Notes to the Persons in whose names such Notes are so registered. Any Definitive Note issued in exchange for a beneficial interest in a Restricted Global Note pursuant to this Section 2.06(c)(i) shall bear the Private Placement Legend and shall be subject to all restrictions on transfer contained therein.

- ii. <u>Beneficial Interests in Restricted Global Notes to Unrestricted Definitive Notes</u>. A holder of a beneficial interest in a Restricted Global Note may exchange such beneficial interest for an Unrestricted Definitive Note or may transfer such beneficial interest to a Person who takes delivery thereof in the form of an Unrestricted Definitive Note only if:
  - A. such exchange or transfer is effected pursuant to an Exchange Offer in accordance with a Registration Rights Agreement and the holder of such beneficial interest, in the case of an exchange, or the transferee, in the case of a transfer, certifies in the applicable Letter of Transmittal that it is not (1) a broker-dealer, (2) a Person participating in the distribution of the relevant Exchange Notes or (3) a Person who is an affiliate (as defined in Rule 144) of the Issuers;
  - B. such transfer is effected pursuant to a Shelf Registration Statement in accordance with a Registration Rights Agreement;
  - C. such transfer is effected by a broker- dealer pursuant to the Exchange Offer Registration Statement in accordance with a Registration Rights Agreement; or
  - D. such exchange or transfer is effected after the expiration of the 40-day distribution compliance period set forth in Regulation S and the Registrar receives the following:
    - 1. if the holder of such beneficial interest in a Restricted Global Note proposes to exchange such beneficial interest for a Definitive Note that does not bear the Private Placement Legend, a certificate from such holder in the form of Exhibit C hereto, including the certifications in item (1)(b) thereof; or
    - 0. if the holder of such beneficial interest in a Restricted Global Note proposes to transfer such beneficial interest to a Person who shall take delivery thereof in the form of a Definitive Note that does not bear the Private Placement Legend, a certificate from such holder in the form of Exhibit B hereto, including the certifications in item (4) thereof;

and, in each such case set forth in this subparagraph (D), if the Registrar so requests or if the Applicable Procedures so require, an Opinion of Counsel in form reasonably acceptable to the Registrar to the effect that such exchange or transfer is in compliance with the Securities Act and that the restrictions on transfer contained herein and in the Private Placement Legend are no longer required in order to maintain compliance with the Securities Act.

- iii. Beneficial Interests in Unrestricted Global Notes to Unrestricted Definitive Notes. If any holder of a beneficial interest in an Unrestricted Global Note proposes to exchange such beneficial interest for a Definitive Note or to transfer such beneficial interest to a Person who takes delivery thereof in the form of a Definitive Note, then, upon satisfaction of the conditions set forth in Section 2.06(b)(ii), the Trustee shall cause the aggregate principal amount of the applicable Global Note to be reduced accordingly pursuant to Section 2.06(h), and the Issuers shall execute and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver to the Person designated in the instructions a Definitive Note in the appropriate principal amount. Any Definitive Note issued in exchange for a beneficial interest pursuant to this Section 2.06(c) (iii) shall be registered in such name or names and in such authorized denomination or denominations as the holder of such beneficial interest shall instruct the Registrar through instructions from the Depositary and the Participant or Indirect Participant. The Trustee shall deliver such Definitive Notes to the Persons in whose names such Notes are so registered. Any Definitive Note issued in exchange for a beneficial interest pursuant to this Section 2.06(c)(iii) shall not bear the Private Placement Legend.
- d. <u>Transfer and Exchange of Definitive Notes for Beneficial Interests in Global Notes.</u>
  - i. <u>Restricted Definitive Notes to Beneficial Interests in Restricted Global Notes</u>. If any Holder of a Restricted Definitive Note proposes to exchange such Note for a beneficial interest in a Restricted Global Note or to transfer such Restricted Definitive Notes to a Person who takes delivery thereof in the form of a beneficial interest in a Restricted Global Note, then, upon receipt by the Registrar of the following documentation:
    - A. if the Holder of such Restricted Definitive Note proposes to exchange such Note for a beneficial interest in a Restricted Global Note, a certificate from such Holder in the form of <a href="Exhibit C"><u>Exhibit C</u></a> hereto, including the certifications in item (2)(b) thereof;
    - B. if such Restricted Definitive Note is being transferred to a QIB in accordance with Rule 144A under the Securities Act, a certificate to the effect set forth in <a href="Exhibit B">Exhibit B</a> hereto, including the certifications in item (1) thereof;
    - C. if such Restricted Definitive Note is being transferred to a Non- U.S. Person in an offshore transaction in accordance with Rule 903 or Rule 904 under the Securities Act, a certificate to the effect set forth in <a href="Exhibit B">Exhibit B</a> hereto, including the certifications in item (2) thereof;
    - D. if such Restricted Definitive Note is being transferred pursuant to an exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act in accordance with Rule 144 under the Securities Act, a certificate to the effect set forth in <a href="Exhibit B">Exhibit B</a> hereto, including the certifications in item (3)(a) thereof;
    - E. if such Restricted Definitive Note is being transferred to an Institutional Accredited Investor in reliance on an exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act other than those listed in subparagraphs (B) through (D) above, a certificate to the effect set forth in <a href="Exhibit B">Exhibit B</a> hereto, including the certifications, certificates and Opinion of Counsel required by item (3) thereof, if applicable;
    - F. if such Restricted Definitive Note is being transferred to the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, a certificate to the effect set forth in <u>Exhibit B</u> hereto, including the certifications in item (3)(b) thereof; or
    - G. if such Restricted Definitive Note is being transferred pursuant to an effective registration statement under the Securities Act, a certificate to the effect set forth in Exhibit B hereto, including the certifications in item (3)(c) thereof,

the Trustee shall cancel the Restricted Definitive Note, increase or cause to be increased the aggregate principal amount of, in the case of clause (A) above, the appropriate Restricted Global Note, in the case of clause (B) above, the Rule 144A Global Note, in the case of clause (C) above, the Regulation S Global Note.

- ii. Restricted Definitive Notes to Beneficial Interests in Unrestricted Global Notes. A Holder of a Restricted Definitive Note may exchange such Note for a beneficial interest in an Unrestricted Global Note or transfer such Restricted Definitive Note to a Person who takes delivery thereof in the form of a beneficial interest in an Unrestricted Global Note only if:
  - A. such exchange or transfer is effected pursuant to an Exchange Offer in accordance with a Registration Rights Agreement and the Holder, in the case of an exchange, or the transferee, in the case of a transfer, certifies in the applicable Letter of Transmittal that it is not (1) a broker-dealer, (2) a Person participating in the distribution of the relevant Exchange Notes or (3) a Person who is an affiliate (as defined in Rule 144) of the Issuers;
  - B. such transfer is effected pursuant to a Shelf Registration Statement in accordance with a Registration Rights Agreement;
  - C. such transfer is effected by a broker- dealer pursuant to the Exchange Offer Registration Statement in accordance with a Registration Rights Agreement; or
  - D. such exchange or transfer is effected after the expiration of the 40-day distribution compliance period set forth in Regulation S and the Registrar receives the following:
    - 1. if the Holder of such Definitive Notes proposes to exchange such Notes for a beneficial interest in the Unrestricted Global Note, a certificate from such Holder in the form of Exhibit C hereto, including the certifications in item (1)(c) thereof; or
    - 0. if the Holder of such Definitive Notes proposes to transfer such Notes to a Person who shall take delivery thereof in the form of a beneficial interest in the Unrestricted Global Note, a certificate from such Holder in the form of Exhibit B hereto, including the certifications in item (4) thereof;

and, in each such case set forth in this subparagraph (D), if the Registrar so requests or if the Applicable Procedures so require, an Opinion of Counsel in form reasonably acceptable to the Registrar to the effect that such exchange or transfer is in compliance with the Securities Act and that the restrictions on transfer contained herein and in the Private Placement Legend are no longer required in order to maintain compliance with the Securities Act.

Upon satisfaction of the conditions of any of the subparagraphs in this Section 2.06(d)(ii), the Trustee shall cancel the Definitive Notes and increase or cause to be increased the aggregate principal amount of the Unrestricted Global Note.

iii. <u>Unrestricted Definitive Notes to Beneficial Interests in Unrestricted Global Notes</u>. A Holder of an Unrestricted Definitive Note may exchange such Note for a beneficial interest in an Unrestricted Global Note or transfer such Definitive Notes to a Person who takes delivery thereof in the form of a beneficial interest in an Unrestricted Global Note at any time. Upon receipt of a request for such an exchange or transfer, the Trustee shall cancel the applicable Unrestricted Definitive Note and increase or cause to be increased the aggregate principal amount of one of the Unrestricted Global Notes.

If any such exchange or transfer from a Definitive Note to a beneficial interest is effected pursuant to subparagraphs (ii)(B), (ii)(D) or (iii) above at a time when an Unrestricted Global Note has not yet been issued, the Issuers shall issue and, upon receipt of an Authentication Order in accordance with Section 2.02, the Trustee shall authenticate one or more Unrestricted Global Notes in an aggregate principal amount equal to the principal amount of Definitive Notes so transferred.

- e. <u>Transfer and Exchange of Definitive Notes for Definitive Notes</u>. Upon request by a Holder of Definitive Notes and such Holder's compliance with the provisions of this Section 2.06(e), the Registrar shall register the transfer or exchange of Definitive Notes. Prior to such registration of transfer or exchange, the requesting Holder shall present or surrender to the Registrar the Definitive Notes duly endorsed or accompanied by a written instruction of transfer in form satisfactory to the Registrar duly executed by such Holder or by its attorney, duly authorized in writing. In addition, the requesting Holder shall provide any additional certifications, documents and information, as applicable, required pursuant to the following provisions of this Section 2.06(e).
  - i. <u>Restricted Definitive Notes to Restricted Definitive Notes</u>. Any Restricted Definitive Note may be transferred to and registered in the name of Persons who take delivery thereof in the form of a Restricted Definitive Note if the Registrar receives the following:
    - A. if the transfer will be made pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act, then the transferor must deliver a certificate in the form of Exhibit B hereto, including the certifications in item (1) thereof;
    - B. if the transfer will be made pursuant to Rule 903 or Rule 904, then the transferor must deliver a certificate in the form of Exhibit B hereto, including the certifications in item (2) thereof; and
    - C. if the transfer will be made pursuant to any other exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act, then the transferor must deliver a certificate in the form of Exhibit B hereto, including the certifications, certificates and Opinion of Counsel required by item (3) thereof, if applicable.
  - ii. <u>Restricted Definitive Notes to Unrestricted Definitive Notes</u>. Any Restricted Definitive Note may be exchanged by the Holder thereof for an Unrestricted Definitive Note or transferred to a Person or Persons who take delivery thereof in the form of an Unrestricted Definitive Note if:
    - A. such exchange or transfer is effected pursuant to an Exchange Offer in accordance with a Registration Rights Agreement and the Holder, in the case of an exchange, or the transferee, in the case of a transfer, certifies in the applicable Letter of Transmittal that it is not (1) a broker-dealer, (2) a Person participating in the distribution of the relevant Exchange Notes or (3) a Person who is an affiliate (as defined in Rule 144) of the Issuers;
    - B. any such transfer is effected pursuant to a Shelf Registration Statement in accordance with a Registration Rights Agreement;
    - C. any such transfer is effected by a broker-dealer pursuant to an Exchange Offer Registration Statement in accordance with a Registration Rights Agreement; or
    - D. such exchange or transfer is effected after the expiration of the 40-day distribution compliance period set forth in Regulation S and the Registrar receives the following:
      - 1. if the Holder of such Restricted Definitive Notes proposes to exchange such Notes for an Unrestricted Definitive Note, a certificate from such Holder in the form of Exhibit C hereto, including the certifications in item (1)(d) thereof; or
      - 0. if the Holder of such Restricted Definitive Notes proposes to transfer such Notes to a Person who shall take delivery thereof in the form of an Unrestricted Definitive Note, a certificate from such Holder in the form of Exhibit B hereto, including the certifications in item (4) thereof;

and, in each such case set forth in this subparagraph (D), if the Registrar so requests, an Opinion of Counsel in form reasonably acceptable to the Issuers to the effect that such exchange or transfer is in compliance with the Securities Act and that the restrictions on transfer contained herein and in the Private Placement Legend are no longer required in order to maintain compliance with the Securities Act.

- iii. <u>Unrestricted Definitive Notes to Unrestricted Definitive Notes</u>. A Holder of Unrestricted Definitive Notes may transfer such Notes to a Person who takes delivery thereof in the form of an Unrestricted Definitive Note. Upon receipt of a request to register such a transfer, the Registrar shall register the Unrestricted Definitive Notes pursuant to the instructions from the Holder thereof.
- f. Exchange Offer. Upon the occurrence of an Exchange Offer in accordance with a Registration Rights Agreement, the Issuers shall issue and, upon receipt of an Authentication Order in accordance with Section 2.02, the Trustee shall authenticate (i) one or more Unrestricted Global Notes in an aggregate principal amount equal to the principal amount of the beneficial interests in the Restricted Global Notes tendered for acceptance by Persons that certify in the applicable Letters of Transmittal that (x) they are not broker- dealers, (y) they are not participating in a distribution of the relevant Exchange Notes and (z) they are not affiliates (as defined in Rule 144) of the Issuers, and accepted for exchange in the relevant Exchange Offer and (ii) Definitive Notes in an aggregate principal amount equal to the principal amount of the Restricted Definitive Notes accepted for exchange in the relevant Exchange Offer. Concurrently with the issuance of su ch Notes, the Trustee shall cause the aggregate principal amount of the applicable Restricted Global Notes to be reduced accordingly, and the Issuers shall execute and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver to the Persons designated by the Holders of Definitive Notes so accepted Definitive Notes in the appropriate principal amount.

g. <u>Legends</u>. The following legends shall appear on the face of all Global Notes and Definitive Notes issued under this Indenture unless specifically stated otherwise in the applicable provisions of this Indenture.

# i. Private Placement Legend.

A. Except as permitted by subparagraph (B) below, each Global Note and each Definitive Note (and all Notes issued in exchange therefor or substitution thereof) shall bear the legend in substantially the following form:

"THE NOTES EVIDENCED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933 (THE "SECURITIES ACT") AND MAY NOT BE OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED EXCEPT (a)(1) TO A PERSON WHO THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A, (2) IN AN OFFSHORE TRANSACTION COMPLYING WITH RULE 903 OR RULE 904 OF REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, (3) TO AN INSTITUTIONAL ACCREDITED INVESTOR IN A TRANSACTION EXEMPT FROM THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS OF THE SECURITIES ACT, SUBJECT TO THE CERTIFICATION AND DELIVERY REQUIREMENTS OF THE INDENTURE GOVERNING THE NOTES, (4) PURSUANT TO AN EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PROVIDED BY RULE 144 THEREUNDER (IF AVAILABLE) OR (5) PUR SUANT TO AN EFFECTIVE REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT AND (b) IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF THE STATES OF THE UNITED STATES."

- B. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any Global Note or Definitive Note issued pursuant to subparagraphs (b)(iv), (c)(ii), (c)(iii), (d)(iii), (d)(iii), (e)(iii) or (f) to this Section 2.06 (and all Notes issued in exchange therefor or substitution thereof) shall not bear the Private Placement Legend.
- ii. Global Note Legend. Each Global Note shall bear a legend in substantially the following form:

"THIS GLOBAL NOTE IS HELD BY THE DEPOSITARY (AS DEFINED IN THE INDENTURE GOVERNING THIS NOTE) OR ITS NOMINEE IN CUSTODY FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE BENEFICIAL OWNERS HEREOF, AND IS NOT TRANSFERABLE TO ANY PERSON UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES EXCEPT THAT (i) THE TRUSTEE MAY MAKE SUCH NOTATIONS HEREON AS MAY BE REQUIRED PURSUANT TO SECTION 2.07 OF THE INDENTURE, (ii) THIS GLOBAL NOTE MAY BE EXCHANGED IN WHOLE BUT NOT IN PART PURSUANT TO SECTION 2.06(a) OF THE INDENTURE, (iii) THIS GLOBAL NOTE MAY BE DELIVERED TO THE TRUSTEE FOR CANCELLATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 2.11 OF THE INDENTURE AND (iv) THIS GLOBAL NOTE MAY BE TRANSFERRED TO A SUCCESSOR DEPOSITARY WITH THE PRIOR WRITTEN CONSENT OF THE ISSUERS."

h. Cancellation and/or Adjustment of Global Notes. At such time as all beneficial interests in a particular Global Note have been exchanged for Definitive Notes or a particular Global Note has been redeemed, repurchased or canceled in whole and not in part, each such Global Note shall be returned to or retained and canceled by the Trustee in accordance with Section 2.11. At any time prior to such cancellation, if any beneficial interest in a Global Note is exchanged for or transferred to a Person who will take delivery thereof in the form of a beneficial interest in another Global Note or for Definitive Notes, the principal amount of Notes represented by such Global Note shall be reduced accordingly and an endorsement shall be made on such Global Note by the Trustee or by the Depositary at the direction of the Trustee to reflect such reduction; and if the beneficial interest is being exchanged for or transferred to a Person who will take delivery thereof in the form of a b eneficial interest in another Global Note, such other Global Note shall be increased accordingly and an endorsement shall be made on such Global Note by the Trustee or by the Depositary at the direction of the Trustee to reflect such increase.

#### i. General Provisions Relating to Transfers and Exchanges.

- i. To permit registrations of transfers and exchanges, the Issuers shall execute and the Trustee shall authenticate Global Notes and Definitive Notes upon the Issuers' order or at the Registrar's request.
- ii. No service charge shall be made to a holder of a beneficial interest in a Global Note or to a Holder of a Definitive Note for any registration of transfer or exchange, but the Issuers may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any transfer tax or similar governmental charge payable in connection therewith (other than any such transfer taxes or similar governmental charge payable upon exchange or transfer pursuant to Sections 2.10, 3.09, 4.11, 4.16 and 9.05).
- iii. The Registrar shall not be required to register the transfer of or exchange any Note selected for redemption in whole or in part, except the unredeemed portion of any Note being redeemed in part.
- iv. All Global Notes and Definitive Notes issued upon any registration of transfer or exchange of Global Notes or Definitive Notes shall be the valid obligations of the Issuers, evidencing the same debt, and entitled to the same benefits under this Indenture, as the Global Notes or Definitive Notes surrendered upon such registration of transfer or exchange.
- v. The Issuers shall not be required to register the transfer of or to exchange a Note between a record date and the next succeeding Interest Payment Date.
- vi. Prior to due presentment for the registration of a transfer of any Note, the Trustee, any Agent and the Issuers may deem and treat the Person in whose name any Note is registered as the absolute owner of such Note for the purpose of receiving payment of principal of and interest on such Notes and for all other purposes, and none of the Trustee, any Agent or the Issuers shall be affected by notice to the contrary.
- vii. The Trustee shall authenticate Global Notes and Definitive Notes in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.02.
- viii. All certifications, certificates and Opinions of Counsel required to be submitted to the Registrar pursuant to this Section 2.06 to effect a registration of transfer or exchange may be submitted by facsimile.

#### Section 2.07 Replacement Notes.

If any mutilated Note is surrendered to the Trustee or the Issuers and the Trustee receives evidence to its satisfaction of the destruction, loss or theft of any Note, the Issuers shall issue and the Trustee, upon receipt of an Authentication Order, shall authenticate a replacement Note if the Trustee's requirements are met. If required by the Trustee or the Issuers, an indemnity bond must be supplied by the Holder that is sufficient in the judgment of the Trustee and the Issuers to protect the Issuers, the Trustee, any Agent and any authenticating agent from any loss that any of them may suffer if a Note is replaced. The Issuers may charge for their expenses in replacing a Note.

Every replacement Note is an additional legally binding obligation of the Issuers and shall be entitled to all of the benefits of this Indenture equally and proportionately with all other Notes duly issued hereunder.

## Section 2.08 Outstanding Notes.

The Notes outstanding at any time are all the Notes authenticated by the Trustee except for those canceled by it, those delivered to it for cancellation, those reductions in the interest in a Global Note effected by the Trustee in accordance with the provisions of this Indenture, and those described in this Section as not outstanding. Except as set forth in Section 2.09, a Note does not cease to be outstanding because the Company or an Affiliate of the Company holds the Note.

If a Note is replaced pursuant to Section 2.07, it ceases to be outstanding unless the Trustee receives proof satisfactory to it that the replaced Note is held by a bona fide purchaser.

If the principal amount of any Note is considered paid under Section 4.01, it ceases to be outstanding and interest on it ceases to accrue.

If the Paying Agent (other than an Issuer, a Subsidiary or an Affiliate of any thereof) holds, on a redemption date or maturity date, money sufficient to pay Notes payable on that date, then on and after that date such Notes shall be deemed to be no longer outstanding and shall cease to accrue interest.

# Section 2.09 Treasury Notes.

In determining whether the Holders of the required principal amount of Notes have concurred in any direction, waiver or consent, Notes owned by an Issuer, or by any Person directly or indirectly controlling or controlled by or under direct or indirect common control with an Issuer, shall be considered as though not outstanding, except that for the purposes of determining whether the Trustee shall be protected in relying on any such direction, waiver or consent, only Notes that a Responsible Officer of the Trustee knows are so owned shall be so disregarded.

#### Section 2.10 Temporary Notes.

Until certificates representing Notes are ready for delivery, the Issuers may prepare and the Trustee, upon receipt of an Authentication Order, shall authenticate temporary Notes. Temporary Notes shall be substantially in the form of certificated Notes but may have variations that the Issuers considers appropriate for temporary Notes and as shall be reasonably acceptable to the Trustee. Without unreasonable delay, the Issuers shall prepare and the Trustee shall authenticate definitive Notes in exchange for temporary Notes.

Holders of temporary Notes shall be entitled to all of the benefits of this Indenture.

#### Section 2.11 Cancellation.

The Issuers at any time may deliver Notes to the Trustee for cancellation. The Registrar and Paying Agent shall forward to the Trustee any Notes surrendered to them for registration of transfer, exchange or payment. The Trustee and no one else shall cancel all Notes surrendered for registration of transfer, exchange, payment, replacement or cancellation and shall dispose of such canceled Notes in its customary manner. The Issuers may not issue new Notes to replace Notes that they have paid or that have been delivered to the Trustee for cancellation.

#### Section 2.12 Defaulted Interest.

If the Issuers default in a payment of interest on the Notes, they shall pay the defaulted interest in any lawful manner plus, to the extent lawful, interest payable on the defaulted interest, to the Persons who are Holders on a subsequent special record date, in each case at the rate provided in the Notes and in Section 4.01. The Issuers shall notify the Trustee in writing of the amount of defaulted interest proposed to be paid on each Note and the date of the proposed payment. The Issuers shall fix or cause to be fixed each such special record date and payment date; provided that no such special record date shall be less than 10 days prior to the related payment date for such defaulted interest. At least 15 days before the special record date, the Issuers (or, upon the written request of the Issuers, the Trustee in the name and at the expense of the Issuers) shall mail or cause to be mailed to Holders a notice that states the special record date, the related payment date and the amo unt of such interest to be paid.

#### ARTICLE 3

#### REDEMPTION AND PREPAYMENT

# Section 3.01 Notices to Trustee.

If the Issuers elect to redeem Notes pursuant to the optional redemption provisions of Section 3.07, they shall furnish to the Trustee, at least 30 days but not more than 60 days before a redemption date, an Officers' Certificate setting forth (i) the clause of this Indenture pursuant to which the redemption shall occur, (ii) the redemption date, (iii) the principal amount of Notes to be redeemed and (iv) the redemption price.

# Section 3.02 Selection of Notes to Be Redeemed.

If less than all of the Notes are to be redeemed or purchased in an offer to purchase at any time, the Trustee shall select the Notes to be redeemed or purchased among the Holders of the Notes in compliance with the requirements of the principal national securities exchange, if any, on which the Notes are listed or, if the Notes are not so listed, on a pro rata basis, by lot or in accordance with any other method the Trustee considers fair and appropriate. In the event of partial redemption by lot, the particular Notes to be redeemed shall be selected, unless otherwise provided herein, not less than 30 nor more than 60 days prior to the redemption date by the Trustee from the outstanding Notes not previously called for redemption.

The Trustee shall promptly notify the Issuers in writing of the Notes selected for redemption and, in the case of any Note selected for partial redemption, the principal amount thereof to be redeemed. Notes and portions of Notes selected shall be in amounts of \$1,000 or whole multiples of \$1,000; except that if all of the Notes of a Holder are to be redeemed, the entire outstanding amount of Notes held by such Holder, even if not a multiple of \$1,000, shall be redeemed. Except as provided in the preceding sentence, provisions of this Indenture that apply to Notes called for redemption also apply to portions of Notes called for redemption.

## Section 3.03 Notice of Redemption.

Subject to the provisions of Section 3.09, at least 30 days but not more than 60 days before a redemption date, the Issuers shall mail or cause to be mailed, by first class mail, a notice of redemption to each Holder whose Notes are to be redeemed at its registered address.

The notice shall identify the Notes to be redeemed and shall state:

- a. the redemption date;
- b. the redemption price;
- c. if any Note is being redeemed in part, the portion of the principal amount of such Note to be redeemed and that, after the redemption date upon surrender of such Note, a new Note or Notes in principal amount equal to the unredeemed portion shall be issued upon cancellation of the original Note;
- d. the name and address of the Paying Agent;
- e. that Notes called for redemption must be surrendered to the Paying Agent to collect the redemption price;
- f. that, unless the Issuers default in making such redemption payment, interest on Notes called for redemption ceases to accrue on and after the redemption date;
- g. the paragraph of the Notes and/or Section of this Indenture pursuant to which the Notes called for redemption are being redeemed; and
- h. that no representation is made as to the correctness or accuracy of the CUSIP number, if any, listed in such notice or printed on the Notes.

At the Issuers' request, the Trustee shall give the notice of redemption in the Issuers' name and at their expense; provided, however, that each of the Issuers shall have delivered to the Trustee, at least 45 days prior to the redemption date, an Officers' Certificate requesting that the Trustee give such notice and setting forth the information to be stated in such notice as provided in the preceding paragraph.

Once notice of redemption is mailed in accordance with Section 3.03, Notes called for redemption become irrevocably due and payable on the redemption date at the redemption price. A notice of redemption may not be conditional.

# Section 3.05 Deposit of Redemption Price.

At or prior to 10:00 a.m., New York City time, on the redemption date, the Issuers shall deposit with the Trustee or with the Paying Agent money sufficient to pay the redemption price of and accrued interest on all Notes to be redeemed on that date. The Trustee or the Paying Agent shall promptly return to the Issuers any money deposited with the Trustee or the Paying Agent by the Issuers in excess of the amounts necessary to pay the redemption price of, and accrued interest on, all Notes to be redeemed.

If the Issuers comply with the provisions of the preceding paragraph, on and after the redemption date, interest shall cease to accrue on the Notes or the portions of Notes called for redemption. If a Note is redeemed on or after an interest record date but on or prior to the related interest payment date, then any accrued and unpaid interest shall be paid to the Person in whose name such Note was registered at the close of business on such record date. If any Note called for redemption shall not be so paid upon surrender for redemption because of the failure of the Issuers to comply with the preceding paragraph, interest shall be paid on the unpaid principal, from the redemption date until such principal is paid, and to the extent lawful on any interest not paid on such unpaid principal, in each case at the rate provided in the Notes and in Section 4.01.

#### Section 3.06 Notes Redeemed in Part.

Upon surrender of a Note that is redeemed in part, the Issuers shall issue and, upon the Issuers' written request, the Trustee shall authenticate for the Holder at the expense of the Issuers a new Note equal in principal amount to the unredeemed portion of the Note surrendered.

#### Section 3.07 Optional Redemption.

a. Except as set forth in clause (b) of this Section 3.07, the Issuers shall not have the option to redeem the Notes pursuant to this Section 3.07 prior to September 15, 2008. Thereafter, the Issuers shall have the option to redeem the Notes, in whole or in part, upon not less than 30 nor more than 60 days' notice, at the redemption prices (expressed as percentages of principal amount) set forth below plus accrued and unpaid interest thereon, if any, to the applicable redemption date, if redeemed during the twelve-month period beginning on September 15 of the years indicated below:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
2008	105.125%
2009 and thereafter	100.000%

- b. Notwithstanding the provisions of clause (a) of this Section 3.07, at any time prior to September 15, 2006, the Issuers may, on any one or more occasions, redeem up to 35% of the original aggregate principal amount of the Notes (including the principal amount of any Additional Notes) issued under this Indenture on a pro rata basis (or nearly as pro rata as practicable) at a redemption price of 110.250% of the principal amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest to the redemption date, with the net cash proceeds of one or more Equity Offerings; provided that:
  - i. at least 65% of the original aggregate principal amount of Notes (including the principal amount of any Additional Notes) issued under this Indenture remains outstanding immediately after the occurrence of such redemption (excluding Notes held by the Company and its Subsidiaries); and
  - ii. the redemption must occur within 60 days of the date of the closing of such Equity Offering.

Any redemption pursuant to this Section 3.07 shall be made pursuant to the provisions of Section 3.01 through 3.06.

#### Section 3.08 Mandatory Redemption.

Except as otherwise provided in Section 4.11 or Section 4.16 below, the Issuers shall not be required to make mandatory redemption payments with respect to the Notes.

#### Section 3.09 Offer to Purchase by Application of Excess Proceeds.

In the event that the Issuers shall be required to commence an offer to all Holders to purchase Notes pursuant to Section 4.11 (an "Asset Sale Offer"), they shall follow the procedures specified below.

The Asset Sale Offer shall remain open for a period of 20 Business Days following its commencement and no longer, except to the extent that a longer period is required by applicable law (the "Offer Period"). No later than five Business Days after the termination of the Offer Period (the "Purchase Date"), the Issuers shall purchase the principal amount of Notes required to be purchased pursuant to Section 4.11 (the "Offer Amount") or, if less than the Offer Amount has been tendered, all Notes tendered in response to the Asset Sale Offer. Payment for any Notes so purchased shall be made in the same manner as interest payments are made. Unless the Issuers default in making such payment, any Note accepted for payment pursuant to the Asset Sale Offer shall cease to accrue interest after the Purchase Date.

If the Purchase Date is on or after an interest record date and on or before the related interest payment date, any accrued and unpaid interest shall be paid to the Person in whose name a Note is registered at the close of business on such record date, and no Special Interest shall be payable to Holders who tender Notes pursuant to the Asset Sale Offer.

Upon the commencement of an Asset Sale Offer the Issuers shall send, by first class mail, a notice to the Trustee and each of the Holders, with a copy to the Trustee. The notice shall contain all instructions and materials necessary to enable such Holders to tender Notes pursuant to the Asset Sale Offer. The Asset Sale Offer shall be made to all Holders. The notice, which shall govern the terms of the Asset Sale Offer, shall state:

- a. that the Asset Sale Offer is being made pursuant to this Section 3.09 and Section 4.11 and the length of time the Asset Sale Offer shall remain open;
- b. the Offer Amount, the purchase price and the Purchase Date;
- c. that any Note not tendered or accepted for payment shall continue to accrue interest;
- d. that, unless the Issuers default in making such payment, any Note accepted for payment pursuant to the Asset Sale Offer shall cease to accrue interest after the Purchase Date:
- e. that Holders electing to have a Note purchased pursuant to an Asset Sale Offer or may elect to have Notes purchased in integral multiples of \$1,000 only;
- f. that Holders electing to have a Note purchased pursuant to any Asset Sale Offer shall be required to surrender the Note, with the form entitled "Option of Holder to Elect Purchase" on the reverse of the Note completed, or transfer by book-entry transfer, to the Issuers, a depositary, if appointed by the Issuers, or a Paying Agent at the address specified in the notice at least three days before the Purchase Date;
- g. that Holders shall be entitled to withdraw their election if the Issuers, the depositary or the Paying Agent, as the case may be, receives, not later than the expiration of the Offer Period, a telegram, telex, facsimile transmission or letter setting forth the name of the Holder, the principal amount of the Note the Holder delivered for purchase and a statement that such Holder is withdrawing his election to have such Note purchased;
- h. that, if the aggregate principal amount of Notes surrendered by Holders exceeds the Offer Amount, the Issuers shall select the Notes to be purchased on a pro rata basis (with such adjustments as may be deemed appropriate by the Issuers so that only Notes in denominations of \$1,000, or integral multiples thereof, shall be purchased); and
- i. that Holders whose Notes were purchased only in part shall be issued new Notes equal in principal amount to the unpurchased portion of the Notes surrendered (or transferred by book-entry transfer).

On or before the Purchase Date, the Issuers shall, to the extent lawful, accept for payment, on a pro rata basis to the extent necessary, the Offer Amount of Notes or portions thereof tendered pursuant to the Asset Sale Offer or if less than the Offer Amount has been tendered, all Notes tendered, and shall deliver to the Trustee an Officers' Certificate stating that such Notes or portions thereof were accepted for payment by the Issuers in accordance with the terms of this Section 3.09. The Issuers, the Depositary or the Paying Agent, as the case may be, shall promptly (but in any case not later than five days after the Purchase Date) mail or deliver to each tendering Holder an amount equal to the purchase price of the Notes tendered by such Holder and accepted by the Issuers for purchase, and the Issuers shall promptly issue a new Note, and the Trustee, upon written request from the Issuers, shall authenticate and mail or deliver such new Note to such Holder, in a principal amount equal to any unpurchased portion of the Note surrendered. Any Note not so accepted shall be promptly mailed or delivered by the Issuers to the Holder thereof. The Issuers shall publicly announce the results of the Asset Sale Offer on the Purchase Date.

Other than as specifically provided in this Section 3.09, any purchase pursuant to this Section 3.09 shall be made pursuant to the provisions of Sections 3.01 through 3.06.

#### ARTICLE 4

#### COVENANTS

#### Section 4.01 Payment of Notes.

The Issuers shall pay or cause to be paid the principal, premium, if any, and interest on the Notes on the dates and in the manner provided in the Notes. Principal, premium, if any, and interest shall be considered paid on the date due if the Paying Agent, if other than the Issuers or a Subsidiary thereof, holds as of 10:00 a.m. New York City time on the due date money deposited by the Issuers in immediately available funds and designated for and sufficient to pay all principal, premium, if any, and interest then due. The Issuers shall pay all Special Interest, if any, in the same manner on the dates and in the amounts set forth in any Registration Rights Agreement.

The Issuers shall pay interest (including post-petition interest in any proceeding under any Bankruptcy Law) on overdue principal at the rate equal to 2% per annum in excess of the then applicable interest rate on the Notes to the extent lawful; they shall pay interest (including post-petition interest in any proceeding under any Bankruptcy Law) on overdue installments of interest (without regard to any applicable grace period) at the same rate to the extent lawful.

#### Section 4.02 Maintenance of Office or Agency.

The Issuers shall maintain in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, an office or agency (which may be an office of the Trustee or an affiliate of the Trustee, Registrar or co-registrar) where Notes may be surrendered for registration of transfer or for exchange and where notices and demands to or upon the Issuers in respect of the Notes and this Indenture may be served. The Issuers shall give prompt written notice to the Trustee of the location, and any change in the location, of such office or agency. If at any time the Issuers shall fail to maintain any such required office or agency or shall fail to furnish the Trustee with the address thereof, such presentations, surrenders, notices and demands may be made or served at the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee.

The Issuers may also from time to time designate one or more other offices or agencies where the Notes may be presented or surrendered for any or all such purposes and may from time to time rescind such designations; provided, however, that no such designation or rescission shall in any manner relieve the Issuers of their obligation to maintain an office or agency in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York for such purposes. The Issuers shall give prompt written notice to the Trustee of any such designation or rescission and of any change in the location of any such other office or agency.

The Issuers hereby designate Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, at Corporate Trust Services, MAC N9303-110, Sixth and Marquette Avenue, Minneapolis, MN 55479, as one such office or agency of the Issuers in accordance with Section 2.03.

# Section 4.03 Reports

Whether or not required by the Commission, so long as any Notes are outstanding, the Issuers shall furnish to the Holders of Notes, within the time periods specified in the Commission's rules and regulations:

- 1. all quarterly and annual financial information that would be required to be contained in a filing with the Commission on Forms 10-Q and 10-K if the Issuers were required to file such forms, including a "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" section and, with respect to the annual information only, a report on the annual consolidated financial statements of the Company by its independent public accountants; and
- 2. all current reports that would be required to be filed with the Commission on Form 8-K if the Issuers were required to file such reports.

If the Company has designated any of its Subsidiaries as Unrestricted Subsidiaries, then the quarterly and annual financial information required by the preceding paragraph shall include a reasonably detailed presentation, either on the face of the financial statements or in the footnotes thereto, and in Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations, of the financial condition and results of operations of the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries separate from the financial condition and results of operations of the Unrestricted Subsidiaries of the Company.

In addition, after the consummation of the Exchange Offer, whether or not required by the Commission, the Issuers shall file a copy of all of the information and reports referred to in clauses (1) and (2) above with the Commission for public availability within the time periods specified in the Commission's rules and regulations, unless the Commission will not accept such a filing, and make such information available to securities analysts and prospective investors upon request.

#### Section 4.04 Compliance Certificate.

- a. The Issuers shall deliver to the Trustee, within 90 days after the end of each fiscal year, an Officers' Certificate stating that a review of the activities of the Issuers and their Subsidiaries during the preceding fiscal year have been made under the supervision of the signing Officers with a view to determining whether the Issuers have kept, observed, performed and fulfilled their obligations under this Indenture, and further stating, as to each such Officer signing such certificate, that to the best of his or her knowledge the Issuers have kept, observed, performed and fulfilled each and every covenant contained in this Indenture and are not in default in the performance or observance of any of the terms, provisions and conditions of this Indenture (or, if a Default or Event of Default shall have occurred, describing all such Defaults or Events of Default of which he or she may have knowledge and what action the Issuers are taking or propose to take with respect thereto) and that to the best of his or her knowledge no event has occurred and remains in existence by reason of which payments on account of the principal of or interest, if any, on the Notes is prohibited or if such event has occurred, a description of the event and what action the Issuers are taking or propose to take with respect thereto.
- b. So long as not contrary to the then current recommendations of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, the year-end financial statements delivered pursuant to Section 4.03 above shall be accompanied by a written statement of the Company's independent public accountants (each of whom shall be a firm of established national reputation) that in making the examination necessary for certification of such financial statements, nothing has come to their attention that would lead them to believe that either of the Issuers has violated any provisions of Article 4 or Article 5 or, if any such violation has occurred, specifying the nature and period of existence thereof, it being understood that such accountants shall not be liable directly or indirectly to any Person for any failure to obtain knowledge of any such violation. In the event that, after the Issuers have used their reasonable best efforts to obtain the written statement of the Company's independent public account ants required by the provisions of this paragraph, such statement cannot be obtained, the Issuers shall deliver, in satisfaction of their obligations under this

Section 4.04, an Officers' Certificate (i) certifying that they have used their reasonable best efforts to obtain such required statement but were unable to do so and (ii) attaching the written statement of the Company's accountants that the Company received in lieu thereof.

c. The Issuers shall, so long as any of the Notes are outstanding, deliver to the Trustee, forthwith upon any Officer becoming aware of any Default or Event of Default, an Officers' Certificate specifying such Default or Event of Default and what action the Issuers are taking or propose to take with respect thereto.

#### Section 4.05 Taxes.

The Company shall pay, and shall cause each of its Subsidiaries to pay, prior to delinquency, all material taxes, assessments, and governmental levies except such as are contested in good faith and by appropriate proceedings or where the failure to effect such payment is not adverse in any material respect to the Holders of the Notes.

#### Section 4.06 Stay, Extension and Usury Laws.

Each of the Issuers covenants (to the extent that it may lawfully do so) that it shall not at any time insist upon, plead, or in any manner whatsoever claim or take the benefit or advantage of, any stay, extension or usury law wherever enacted, now or at any time hereafter in force, that may affect the covenants or the performance of this Indenture; and each of the Issuers (to the extent that it may lawfully do so) hereby expressly waives all benefit or advantage of any such law, and covenants that it shall not, by resort to any such law, hinder, delay or impede the execution of any power herein granted to the Trustee, but shall suffer and permit the execution of every such power as though no such law has been enacted.

#### Section 4.07 Restricted Payments.

The Company shall not, and shall not permit any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to, directly or indirectly:

- a. declare or pay any dividend or make any other payment or distribution on account of its or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries' Equity Interests (including, without limitation, any payment in connection with any merger or consolidation involving the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries) or to the direct or indirect holders of the Company's or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries' Equity Interests in their capacity as such (other than dividends or distributions payable (x) solely in Equity Interests (other than Disqualified Stock) of the Company or (y), in the case of the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries, to the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary thereof);
- b. purchase, redeem or otherwise acquire or retire for value (including, without limitation, in connection with any merger or consolidation involving the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries) any Equity Interests of the Company or any direct or indirect Parent of the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary of the Company (other than, in the case of the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries); or
- c. make any payment on or with respect to, or purchase, redeem, defease or otherwise acquire or retire for value, any Indebtedness of the Company that is subordinated to the Notes, except a payment of interest or principal at the Stated Maturity thereof,

(all such payments and other actions set forth in clauses (a) through (c) above being collectively referred to as "Restricted Payments"), unless, at the time of and after giving effect to such Restricted Payment:

- 1. no Default or Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing or would occur as a consequence thereof; and
- 2. the Company would, at the time of such Restricted Payment and after giving pro forma effect thereto as if such Restricted Payment had been made at the beginning of the applicable quarter period, have been permitted to incur at least \$1.00 of additional Indebtedness pursuant to the Leverage Ratio test set forth in the first paragraph of Section 4.10; and
- 3. such Restricted Payment, together with the aggregate amount of all other Restricted Payments made by the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries from and after the Issue Date (excluding Restricted Payments permitted by clauses (2), (3), (4), (5), (6), (7), (8) and (10) of the next succeeding paragraph), shall not exceed, at the date of determination, the sum of:
  - a. an amount equal to 100% of the Consolidated EBITDA of the Company for the period beginning on the first day of the fiscal quarter commencing July 1, 2003 to the end of the Company's most recently ended full fiscal quarter for which internal financial statements are available, taken as a single accounting period, less the product of 1.3 times the Consolidated Interest Expense of the Company for such period, plus
  - b. an amount equal to 100% of Capital Stock Sale Proceeds less any amount of such Capital Stock Sale Proceeds used in connection with an Investment made on or after the Issue Date pursuant to clause (5) of the definition of "Permitted Investments," plus
  - c. \$100 million.

So long as no Default has occurred and is continuing or would be caused thereby, the preceding provisions shall not prohibit:

- 1. the payment of any dividend within 60 days after the date of declaration thereof, if at said date of declaration such payment would have complied with the provisions of this Indenture;
- 2. the redemption, repurchase, retirement, defeasance or other acquisition of any subordinated Indebtedness of the Company in exchange for, or out of the net proceeds of, the substantially concurrent sale (other than to a Subsidiary of the Company) of Equity Interests of the Company (other than Disqualified Stock); provided that the amount of any such net cash proceeds that are utilized for any such redemption, repurchase, retirement, defeasance or other acquisition shall be excluded from clause (3) (b) of the preceding paragraph;
- 3. the defeasance, redemption, repurchase or other acquisition of subordinated Indebtedness of the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries with the net cash proceeds from an incurrence of Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness;
- 4. regardless of whether a Default then exists, the payment of any dividend or distribution to the extent necessary to permit direct or indirect beneficial owners of shares of Capital Stock of the Company to pay federal, state or local income tax liabilities that would arise solely from income of the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries, as the case may be, for the relevant taxable period and attributable to them solely as a result of the Company (and any intermediate entity through which the holder owns such shares) or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries being a limited liability company, partnership or similar entity for federal income tax purposes;
- 5. regardless of whether a Default then exists, the payment of any dividend by a Restricted Subsidiary of the Company to the holders of its common Equity Interests on a prorata basis;
- 6. the payment of any dividend on the Helicon Preferred Stock or the redemption, repurchase, retirement or other acquisition of the Helicon Preferred Stock in an amount not in excess of its aggregate liquidation value;
- 7. the repurchase, redemption or other acquisition or retirement for value, or the payment of any dividend or distribution to the extent necessary to permit the repurchase, redemption or other acquisition or retirement for value, of any Equity Interests of the Company or a Parent of the Company held by any member of the Company's or such Parent's management pursuant to any management equity subscription agreement or stock option agreement entered into in accordance with the policies of the Company or any Parent; provided that the aggregate price paid for all such repurchased, redeemed, acquired or retired Equity Interests shall not exceed \$10 million in any fiscal year of the Company;
- 8. payment of fees in connection with any acquisition, merger or similar transaction in an amount that does not exceed an amount equal to 1.25% of the transaction value of such acquisition, merger or similar transaction;
- 9. additional dividends or distributions directly or indirectly to the Company or any Parent (i) regardless of whether a Default (other than a Default under Section 6.01(1), (2), (7) or (8)) exists, for the purpose of enabling Charter Holdings and/or any Charter Refinancing Subsidiary to pay interest when due on Indebtedness under the Charter

Holdings Indentures and/or any Charter Refinancing Indebtedness, (ii) for the purpose of enabling CCI and/or any Charter Refinancing Subsidiary to pay interest when due on Indebtedness under the CCI Indentures and/or any Charter Refinancing Indebtedness and (iii) so long as the Company would have been permitted, at the time of such Restricted Payment and after giving pro forma effect thereto as if such Restricted Payment had been made at the beginning of the applicable quarter period, to incur at least \$1.00 of additional Indebtedness pursuant to the Leverage Ratio test set forth in the first paragraph of Section 4.10, to the exte nt required to enable Charter Holdings, CCI or any Charter Refinancing Subsidiary to defease, redeem, repurchase, prepay, repay, discharge or otherwise acquire or retire for value Indebtedness under the Charter Holdings Indentures, the CCI Indentures or any Charter Refinancing Indebtedness; and

10. dividends or distributions to any Parent to consummate the Private Exchanges.

The amount of all Restricted Payments (other than cash) shall be the fair market value on the date of the Restricted Payment of the asset(s) or securities proposed to be transferred or issued by the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries pursuant to the Restricted Payment. The fair market value of any assets or securities that are required to be valued by this covenant shall be determined by the Board of Directors of the Company, whose resolution with respect thereto shall be delivered to the Trustee. Such Board of Directors' determination must be based upon an opinion or appraisal issued by an accounting, appraisal or investment banking firm of national standing if the fair market value exceeds \$100 million.

Not later than the date of making any Restricted Payment involving an amount or fair market value in excess of \$10 million, the Issuers shall deliver to the Trustee an Officers' Certificate stating that such Restricted Payment is permitted and setting forth the basis upon which the calculations required by this Section 4.07 were computed, together with a copy of any fairness opinion or appraisal required by this Indenture.

#### Section 4.08 Investments.

The Company shall not, and shall not permit any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to, directly or indirectly:

- 1. make any Restricted Investment; or
- 2. allow any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to become an Unrestricted Subsidiary,

unless, in each case:

- a. no Default or Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing or would occur as a consequence thereof; and
- b. the Company would, at the time of, and after giving effect to, such Restricted Investment or such designation of a Restricted Subsidiary as an Unrestricted Subsidiary, have been permitted to incur at least \$1.00 of additional Indebtedness pursuant to the Leverage Ratio test set forth in the first paragraph of Section 4.10.

An Unrestricted Subsidiary may be redesignated as a Restricted Subsidiary if such redesignation would not cause a Default.

Section 4.09 Dividend and Other Payment Restrictions Affecting Subsidiaries.

The Company shall not, directly or indirectly, create or permit to exist or become effective any encumbrance or restriction on the ability of any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to:

- 1. pay dividends or make any other distributions on its Capital Stock to the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries, or with respect to any other interest or participation in, or measured by, its profits, or pay any Indebtedness owed to the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries;
- 2. make loans or advances to the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries; or
- 3. transfer any of its properties or assets to the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries.

However, the preceding restrictions shall not apply to encumbrances or restrictions existing under or by reason of:

- 1. Existing Indebtedness as in effect on the Issue Date (including, without limitation, Indebtedness under any of the Credit Facilities, including the Vulcan Backstop Facility, and, only with respect to the Vulcan Backstop Facility, whether or not any Indebtedness is outstanding on the Issue Date) and any amendments, modifications, restatements, renewals, increases, supplements, refundings, replacements or refinancings thereof, *provided* that such amendments, modifications, restatements, renewals, increases, supplements, refundings, replacements or refinancings are no more restrictive, taken as a whole, with respect to such dividend and other payment restrictions than those contained in the most restrictive Existing Indebtedness, as in effect on the Issue Date, including the Vulcan Backstop Facility;
- 2. this Indenture and the Notes;
- 3. applicable law;
- 4. any instrument governing Indebtedness or Capital Stock of a Person acquired by the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries as in effect at the time of such acquisition (except to the extent such Indebtedness was incurred in connection with or in contemplation of such acquisition), which encumbrance or restriction is not applicable to any Person, or the properties or assets of any Person, other than the Person, or the property or assets of the Person, so acquired; provided that, in the case of Indebtedness, such Indebtedness was permitted by the terms of this Indenture to be incurred;
- 5. customary non-assignment provisions in leases, franchise agreements and other commercial agreements entered into in the ordinary course of business and consistent with past practices;
- 6. purchase money obligations for property acquired in the ordinary course of business that impose restrictions on the property so acquired of the nature described in clause (3) of the preceding paragraph;
- 7. any agreement for the sale or other disposition of a Restricted Subsidiary of the Company that restricts distributions by such Restricted Subsidiary pending its sale or other disposition;
- 8. Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness; provided that the restrictions contained in the agreements governing such Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness are no more restrictive, taken as a whole, than those contained in the agreements governing the Indebtedness being refinanced;
- 9. Liens securing Indebtedness or other obligations otherwise permitted to be incurred under Section 4.14 that limit the right of the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to dispose of the assets subject to such Lien;
- 10. provisions with respect to the disposition or distribution of assets or property in joint venture agreements and other similar agreements entered into in the ordinary course of business:
- 11. restrictions on cash or other deposits or net worth imposed by customers under contracts entered into in the ordinary course of business;
- 12. restrictions contained in the terms of Indebtedness permitted to be incurred under Section 4.10; *provided* that such restrictions are no more restrictive, taken as a whole, than the terms contained in the most restrictive, together or individually of the Credit Facilities as in effect on the Issue Date and the terms contemplated by the Vulcan Backstop Facility; and
- 13. restrictions that are not materially more restrictive, taken as a whole, than customary provisions in comparable financings and that the management of the Company determines, at the time of such financing, will not materially impair the Issuers' ability to make payments as required under the Notes.

The Company shall not, and shall not permit any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to, directly or indirectly, create, incur, issue, assume, guarantee or otherwise become directly or indirectly liable, contingently or otherwise, with respect to (collectively, "incur") any Indebtedness (including Acquired Debt) and the Company shall not issue any Disqualified Stock and shall not permit any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to issue any shares of Disqualified Stock or Preferred Stock, *provided* that the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries may incur Indebtedness, the Company may issue Disqualified Stock and subject to the final paragraph of this covenant below, Restricted Subsidiaries of the Company may incur Preferred Stock if the Leverage Ratio of the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries would have been not greater than 5.5 to 1.0 determined on a pro forma basis (including a pro forma application of the net proceeds therefrom), as if the additional Indebtedness had been incurred, or the Disqualified Stock or Preferred Stock had been issued, as the case may be, at the beginning of the most recently ended fiscal quarter.

So long as no Default shall have occurred and be continuing or would be caused thereby, the first paragraph of this covenant shall not prohibit the incurrence of any of the following items of Indebtedness (collectively, "Permitted Debt"):

- 1. the incurrence by the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries of Indebtedness under the Credit Facilities; *provided* that the aggregate principal amount of all Indebtedness of the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries outstanding under this clause (1) for all Credit Facilities of the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries after giving effect to such incurrence does not exceed an amount equal to \$9.75 billion less the aggregate amount of all Net Proceeds from Asset Sales applied by the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to repay Indebtedness under a Credit Facility pursuant to Section 4.11.
- 2. the incurrence by the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries of Existing Indebtedness (other than under the Credit Facilities);
- 3. the incurrence on the Issue Date by the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries of Indebtedness represented by the Notes (other than any Additional Notes);
- 4. the incurrence by the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries of Indebtedness represented by Capital Lease Obligations, mortgage financings or purchase money obligations, in each case, incurred for the purpose of financing all or any part of the purchase price or cost of construction or improvement (including, without limitation, the cost of design, development, construction, acquisition, transportation, installation, improvement, and migration) of Productive Assets of the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$75 million at any time outstanding pursuant to this clause (4);
- 5. the incurrence by the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries of Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness in exchange for, or the net proceeds of which are used to refund, refinance or replace, in whole or in part, Indebtedness (other than intercompany Indebtedness) that was permitted by this Indenture to be incurred under this clause (5), the first paragraph of this covenant or clauses (2) or (3) of this paragraph;
- 6. the incurrence by the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries of intercompany Indebtedness between or among the Company and any of its Restricted Subsidiaries; provided that:
  - a. if the Company is the obligor on such Indebtedness, such Indebtedness must be expressly subordinated to the prior payment in full in cash of all Obligations with respect to the Notes; and
  - b. (i) any subsequent issuance or transfer of Equity Interests that results in any such Indebtedness being held by a Person other than the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary thereof and (ii) any sale or other transfer of any such Indebtedness to a Person that is not either the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary thereof, shall be deemed, in each case, to constitute an incurrence of such Indebtedness that was not permitted by this clause (6);
- 7. the incurrence by the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries of Hedging Obligations that are incurred for the purpose of fixing or hedging interest rate risk with respect to any floating rate Indebtedness that is permitted by the terms of this Indenture to be outstanding;
- 8. the guarantee by the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries of Indebtedness of a Restricted Subsidiary of the Company that was permitted to be incurred by another provision of this Section 4.10;
- 9. the incurrence by the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries of additional Indebtedness in an aggregate principal amount at any time outstanding under this clause (9), not to exceed \$300 million; and
- 10. the accretion or amortization of original issue discount and the write up of Indebtedness in accordance with purchase accounting.

For purposes of determining compliance with this Section 4.10, any Indebtedness under Credit Facilities outstanding on the Issue Date shall be deemed to have been incurred pursuant to clause (1) above and, in the event that an item of proposed Indebtedness (other than any Indebtedness initially deemed on the Issue Date to be incurred under clause (1) above) (a) meets the criteria of more than one of the categories of Permitted Debt described in clauses (1) through (10) above or (b) is entitled to be incurred pursuant to the first paragraph of this covenant, the Company shall be permitted to classify and from time to time to reclassify such item of Indebtedness in any manner that complies with this covenant. Once any item of Indebtedness is so reclassified, it shall no longer be deemed outstanding under the category of Permitted Debt, where initially incurred or previously reclassified. For avoidance of doubt, Indebtedness incurred pursuant to a single agreement, instrument, program, facility or line of credit may be classified as Indebtedness arising in part under one of the clauses listed above or under the first paragraph of this covenant, and in part under any one or more of the clauses listed above, to the extent that such Indebtedness satisfies the criteria for such classification.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, in no event shall any Restricted Subsidiary of the Company consummate a Subordinated Debt Financing or a Preferred Stock Financing. A "Subordinated Debt Financing" or a "Preferred Stock Financing," as the case may be, with respect to any Restricted Subsidiary of the Company shall mean a public offering or private placement (whether pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act or otherwise) of Subordinated Notes or Preferred Stock (whether or not such Preferred Stock constitutes Disqualified Stock), as the case may be, of such Restricted Subsidiary to one or more purchasers (other than to one or more Affiliates of the Company). "Subordinated Notes" with respect to any Restricted Subsidiary of the Company shall mean Indebtedness of such Restricted Subsidiary that is contractually subordinated in right of payment to any other Indebtedness of such Restricted Subsidiary (including, without limitation, Indebtedness under the Credit Facilities). The foregoing limitation shall not apply to

- a. any Indebtedness or Preferred Stock of any Person existing at the time such Person is merged with or into or becomes a Subsidiary of the Company; *provided* that such Indebtedness or Preferred Stock was not incurred or issued in connection with, or in contemplation of, such Person merging with or into, or becoming a Subsidiary of, the Company, and
- b. any Indebtedness or Preferred Stock of a Restricted Subsidiary issued in connection with, and as part of the consideration for, an acquisition, whether by stock purchase, asset sale, merger or otherwise, in each case involving such Restricted Subsidiary, which Indebtedness or Preferred Stock is issued to the seller or sellers of such stock or assets; provided that such Restricted Subsidiary is not obligated to register such Indebtedness or Preferred Stock under the Securities Act or obligated to provide information pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act.

# Section 4.11 Limitation on Asset Sales.

The Company shall not, and shall not permit any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to, consummate an Asset Sale unless:

- 1. the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary receives consideration at the time of such Asset Sale at least equal to the fair market value of the assets or Equity Interests issued or sold or otherwise disposed of;
- 2. such fair market value is determined by the Board of Directors of the Company and evidenced by a resolution of such Board of Directors set forth in an Officers' Certificate delivered to the Trustee; and
- 3. at least 75% of the consideration therefor received by the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary is in the form of cash, Cash Equivalents or readily marketable securities.

For purposes of this Section 4.11, each of the following shall be deemed to be cash:

a. any liabilities (as shown on the Company's or such Restricted Subsidiary's most recent balance sheet) of the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary thereof (other than contingent liabilities and liabilities that are by their terms subordinated to the Notes) that are assumed by the transferee of any such assets pursuant to a customary novation agreement that releases the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary from further liability;

- b. any securities, notes or other obligations received by the Company or any such Restricted Subsidiary from such transferee that are converted by the recipient thereof into cash, Cash Equivalents or readily marketable securities within 60 days after receipt thereof (to the extent of the cash, Cash Equivalents or readily marketable securities received in that conversion); and
- c. Productive Assets.

Within 365 days after the receipt of any Net Proceeds from an Asset Sale, the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary thereof may apply an amount equal to such Net Proceeds at its option:

- 1. to repay debt under the Credit Facilities or any other Indebtedness of the Restricted Subsidiaries of the Company (other than Indebtedness represented solely by a guarantee of a Restricted Subsidiary of the Company); or
- 2. to invest in Productive Assets; provided that any such amount of Net Proceeds which the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary thereof has committed to invest in Productive Assets within 365 days of the applicable Asset Sale may be invested in Productive Assets within two years of such Asset Sale.

The amount of any Net Proceeds received from Asset Sales that are not applied or invested as provided in the preceding paragraph shall constitute "Excess Proceeds." When the aggregate amount of Excess Proceeds exceeds \$25 million, the Company shall make an Asset Sale Offer to all Holders of Notes and all holders of other Indebtedness that is of equal priority with the Notes containing provisions requiring offers to purchase or redeem with the proceeds of sales of assets to purchase the maximum principal amount of Notes and such other Indebtedness of equal priority that may be purchased out of the Excess Proceeds, which amount includes the entire amount of the Net Proceeds. The offer price in any Asset Sale Offer shall be payable in cash and equal to 100% of the principal amount of the subject Notes plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the date of purchase. If the aggregate principal amount of Notes and such other Indebtedness of equal priority tendered into such Asset Sale O ffer exceeds the amount of Excess Proceeds, the Trustee shall select the Notes and such other Indebtedness of equal priority to be purchased on a pro rata basis.

If any Excess Proceeds remain after consummation of an Asset Sale Offer, then the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary thereof may use such remaining Excess Proceeds for any purpose not otherwise prohibited by this Indenture. Upon completion of any Asset Sale Offer, the amount of Excess Proceeds shall be reset at zero.

In the event that the Company shall be required to commence an offer to Holders to purchase Notes pursuant to this Section 4.11, it shall follow the procedures specified in Sections 3.01 through 3.09.

#### Section 4.12 Sale and Leaseback Transactions.

The Company shall not, and shall not permit any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to, enter into any sale and leaseback transaction; *provided* that the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries may enter into a sale and leaseback transaction if:

- 1. the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary could have
  - a. incurred Indebtedness in an amount equal to the Attributable Debt relating to such sale and leaseback transaction under the Leverage Ratio test in the first paragraph of Section 4.10 and
  - b. incurred a Lien to secure such Indebtedness pursuant to Section 4.14 or the definition of Permitted Liens; and
- 2. the transfer of assets in that sale and leaseback transaction is permitted by, and the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary applies the proceeds of such transaction in compliance with, Section 4.11.

The foregoing restrictions shall not apply to a sale and leaseback transaction if the lease is for a period, including renewal rights, of not in excess of three years.

#### Section 4.13 <u>Transactions with Affiliates</u>.

The Company shall not, and shall not permit any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to, make any payment to, or sell, lease, transfer or otherwise dispose of any of its properties or assets to, or purchase any property or assets from, or enter into or make or amend any transaction, contract, agreement, understanding, loan, advance or guarantee with, or for the benefit of, any Affiliate (each, an "Affiliate Transaction"), unless:

- 1. such Affiliate Transaction is on terms that are no less favorable to the Company or the relevant Restricted Subsidiary than those that would have been obtained in a comparable transaction by the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary with an unrelated Person; and
- 2. the Company delivers to the Trustee:
  - a. with respect to any Affiliate Transaction or series of related Affiliate Transactions involving aggregate consideration given or received by the Company or any such Restricted Subsidiary in excess of \$15 million, a resolution of the Board of Directors of the Company set forth in an Officers' Certificate certifying that such Affiliate Transaction complies with this Section 4.13 and that such Affiliate Transaction has been approved by a majority of the members of such Board of Directors; and
  - b. with respect to any Affiliate Transaction or series of related Affiliate Transactions involving aggregate consideration given or received by the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary in excess of \$50 million, an opinion as to the fairness to the Holders of such Affiliate Transaction from a financial point of view issued by an accounting, appraisal or investment banking firm of national standing.

The following items shall not be deemed to be Affiliate Transactions and, therefore, shall not be subject to the provisions of the prior paragraph:

- 1. any existing employment agreement entered into by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries and any employment agreement entered into by the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries in the ordinary course of business and consistent with the past practice of the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary;
- 2. transactions between or among the Company and/or its Restricted Subsidiaries;
- 3. payment of reasonable directors fees to Persons who are not otherwise Affiliates of the Company and customary indemnification and insurance arrangements in favor of directors, regardless of affiliation with the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries;
- 4. payment of Management Fees;
- 5. Restricted Payments that are permitted by Section 4.07 and Restricted Investments that are permitted by Section 4.08;
- 6. Permitted Investments;
- 7. the transactions contemplated by the Vulcan Backstop Facility on substantially the same terms as described in CCI's quarterly report on Form 10-Q for its fiscal quarter ended June 30, 2003 with respect to the commitment letter; and
- 8. transactions pursuant to agreements existing on the Issue Date, as in effect on the Issue Date, or as subsequently modified, supplemented, or amended, to the extent that any such modifications, supplements or amendments complied with the applicable provisions of the first paragraph of this Section 4.13.

# Section 4.14 Liens.

The Company shall not, directly or indirectly, create, incur, assume or suffer to exist any Lien of any kind securing Indebtedness, Attributable Debt or trade payables on any asset of the Company, whether owned on the Issue Date or thereafter acquired, except Permitted Liens.

Subject to Article 5, the Company shall do or cause to be done all things necessary to preserve and keep in full force and effect (i) its limited liability company existence, and the corporate, partnership or other existence of each of its Subsidiaries, in accordance with the respective organizational documents (as the same may be amended from time to time) of the Company or any such Subsidiary and (ii) the rights (charter and statutory), licenses and franchises of the Company and its Subsidiaries; provided, however, that the Company shall not be required to preserve any such right, license or franchise, or the corporate, partnership or other existence of any of its Subsidiaries (other than Capital Corp), if the Board of Directors of the Company shall determine that the preservation thereof is no longer desirable in the conduct of the business of the Company and its Subsidiaries, taken as a whole, and that the loss thereof is not adverse in any material respect to the Holders of the Notes.

#### Section 4.16 Repurchase at the Option of Holders upon a Change of Control.

If a Change of Control occurs, each Holder of Notes shall have the right to require the Issuers to repurchase all or any part (equal to \$1,000 or an integral multiple thereof) of that Holder's Notes pursuant to a "Change of Control Offer." In the Change of Control Offer, the Issuers shall offer a "Change of Control Payment" in cash equal to 101% of the aggregate principal amount of Notes repurchased plus accrued and unpaid interest thereon, if any, to the date of purchase.

Within ten days following any Change of Control, the Issuers shall mail a notice to each Holder (with a copy to the Trustee) describing the transaction or transactions that constitute the Change of Control and stating:

- 1. the purchase price and the purchase date, which shall not exceed 30 Business Days from the date such notice is mailed (the "Change of Control Payment Date");
- 2. that any Note not tendered shall continue to accrue interest;
- 3. that, unless the Issuers default in the payment of the Change of Control Payment, all Notes accepted for payment pursuant to the Change of Control Offer shall cease to accrue interest after the Change of Control Payment Date;
- 4. that Holders electing to have any Notes purchased pursuant to a Change of Control Offer shall be required to surrender the Notes, with the form entitled "Option of Holder to Elect Purchase" on the reverse of the Notes completed, to the Paying Agent at the address specified in the notice prior to the close of business on the third Business Day preceding the Change of Control Payment Date;
- 5. that Holders shall be entitled to withdraw their election if the Paying Agent receives, not later than the close of business on the second Business Day preceding the Change of Control Payment Date, a telegram, telex, facsimile transmission or letter setting forth the name of the Holder, the principal amount of Notes delivered for purchase, and a statement that such Holder is withdrawing his election to have the Notes purchased; and
- 6. that Holders whose Notes are being purchased only in part shall be issued new Notes equal in principal amount to the unpurchased portion of the Notes surrendered, which unpurchased portion must be equal to \$1,000 in principal amount or an integral multiple thereof.

The Issuers shall comply with the requirements of Rule 14e-1 under the Exchange Act (or any successor rules) and any other securities laws and regulations thereunder to the extent such laws and regulations are applicable in connection with the repurchase of the Notes as a result of a Change of Control. To the extent that the provisions of any securities laws or regulations conflict with the provisions of this Section 4.16, the Issuers' compliance with such laws and regulations shall not in and of itself cause a breach of their obligations under this Section 4.16.

On the Change of Control Payment Date, the Issuers shall, to the extent lawful:

- 1. accept for payment all Notes or portions thereof properly tendered pursuant to the Change of Control Offer;
- 2. deposit with the Paying Agent an amount equal to the Change of Control Payment in respect of all Notes or portions thereof so tendered; and
- 3. deliver or cause to be delivered to the Trustee the Notes so accepted together with an Officers' Certificate stating the aggregate principal amount of Notes or portions thereof being purchased by the Issuers.

The Paying Agent shall promptly pay to each Holder of Notes so tendered the Change of Control Payment for such Notes, and the Trustee shall promptly authenticate and mail (or cause to be transferred by book entry) to each Holder a new Note equal in principal amount to any unpurchased portion of the Notes surrendered, if any; provided that each such new Note shall be in a principal amount of \$1,000 or an integral multiple thereof. The Issuers shall publicly announce the results of the Change of Control Offer on or as soon as practicable after the Change of Control Payment Date.

The provisions described above that require the Issuers to make a Change of Control Offer following a Change of Control shall be applicable regardless of whether or not any other provisions in this Indenture are applicable. Except as described above with respect to a Change of Control, this Indenture does not contain provisions that permit the Holders of the Notes to require that the Issuers repurchase or redeem the Notes in the event of a takeover, recapitalization or similar transaction.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section 4.16, the Issuers shall not be required to make a Change of Control Offer upon a Change of Control if a third party makes the Change of Control Offer in the manner, at the times and otherwise in compliance with the requirements set forth in this Indenture applicable to a Change of Control Offer made by the Issuers and purchases all Notes validly tendered and not withdrawn under such Change of Control Offer.

#### Section 4.17 <u>Limitations on Issuances of Guarantees of Indebtedness.</u>

The Company shall not permit any of its Restricted Subsidiaries, directly or indirectly, to Guarantee or pledge any assets to secure the payment of any other Indebtedness of the Company except in respect of the Credit Facilities (the "Guaranteed Indebtedness") unless:

- 1. such Restricted Subsidiary simultaneously executes and delivers a supplemental indenture providing for the Guarantee (a "Subsidiary Guarantee") of the payment of the Notes by such Restricted Subsidiary and
- 2. until one year after all the Notes have been paid in full in cash, such Restricted Subsidiary waives and will not in any manner whatsoever claim or take the benefit or advantage of, any rights of reimbursement, indemnity or subrogation or any other rights against the Company or any other Restricted Subsidiary thereof as a result of any payment by such Restricted Subsidiary under its Subsidiary Guarantee; *provided* that this paragraph shall not be applicable to any Guarantee or any Restricted Subsidiary that existed at the time such Person became a Restricted Subsidiary and was not incurred in connection with, or in contemplation of, such Person becoming a Restricted Subsidiary.

If the Guaranteed Indebtedness is subordinated to the Notes, then the Guarantee of such Guaranteed Indebtedness shall be subordinated to the Subsidiary Guarantee at least to the extent that the Guaranteed Indebtedness is subordinated to the Notes.

# Section 4.18 Payments for Consent.

The Company shall not, and shall not permit any of its Subsidiaries to, directly or indirectly, pay or cause to be paid any consideration to or for the benefit of any Holder of Notes for or as an inducement to any consent, waiver or amendment of any of the terms or provisions of this Indenture or the Notes unless such consideration is offered to be paid and is paid to all Holders of the Notes that consent, waiver or agreement in the time frame set forth in the solicitation documents relating to such consent, waiver or agreement.

#### Section 4.19 Application of Fall-Away Covenants.

During any period of time that (a) the Notes have Investment Grade Ratings from both Rating Agencies and (b) no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries shall not be subject to the provisions of Sections 4.07, 4.08, 4.09, 4.10, 4.11, 4.12, 4.13 and clause (D) of the first paragraph of Section 5.01 (collectively, the "Suspended Covenants").

If the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries are not subject to the Suspended Covenants for any period of time as a result of the previous sentence and, subsequently, one, or both of the Rating Agencies withdraws its ratings or downgrades the ratings assigned to the Notes below the required Investment Grade Ratings or a Default or Event of Default occurs and is continuing, then the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries shall thereafter again be subject to the Suspended Covenants. The ability of the Company and its Restricted

Subsidiaries to make Restricted Payments after the time of such withdrawal, downgrade, Default or Event of Default shall be calculated in accordance with the terms of Section as though such covenant had been in effect during the entire period of time from the Issue Date.	4.07

#### ARTICLE 5

#### SUCCESSORS

#### Section 5.01 Merger, Consolidation, or Sale of Assets.

Neither of the Issuers may, directly or indirectly: (1) consolidate or merge with or into another Person (whether or not such Issuer is the surviving Person) or (2) sell, assign, transfer, convey or otherwise dispose of all or substantially all of its properties or assets, in one or more related transactions, to another Person; unless:

#### (A) either:

- (i) such Issuer is the surviving Person; or
- (ii) the Person formed by or surviving any such consolidation or merger (if other than such Issuer) or to which such sale, assignment, transfer, conveyance or other disposition shall have been made is a Person organized or existing under the laws of the United States, any state thereof or the District of Columbia, *provided* that if the Person formed by or surviving any such consolidation or merger with such Issuer is a limited liability company or a Person other than a corporation, a corporate co-issuer shall also be an obligor with respect to the Notes;
- (B) the Person formed by or surviving any such consolidation or merger (if other than such Issuer) or the Person to which such sale, assignment, transfer, conveyance or other disposition shall have been made assumes all the obligations of such Issuer under the Notes and this Indenture pursuant to agreements reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee;
- (C) immediately after such transaction no Default or Event of Default exists; and
- (D) such Issuer or the Person formed by or surviving any such consolidation or merger (if other than such Issuer) will, on the date of such transaction after giving pro forma effect thereto and any related financing transactions as if the same had occurred at the beginning of the applicable period,
  - (x) be permitted to incur at least \$1.00 of additional Indebtedness pursuant to the Leverage Ratio test set forth in the first paragraph of Section 4.10; or
  - (y) have a Leverage Ratio immediately after giving effect to such consolidation or merger no greater than the Leverage Ratio immediately prior to such consolidation or merger.

In addition, neither of the Issuers may, directly or indirectly, lease all or substantially all of its properties or assets, in one or more related transactions, to any other Person. The foregoing clause (D) shall not apply to a sale, assignment, transfer, conveyance or other disposition of assets between or among an Issuer and any of its Wholly Owned Restricted Subsidiaries or to the consummation of the Private Exchanges.

# Section 5.02 Successor Corporation Substituted.

Upon any consolidation or merger, or any sale, assignment, transfer, lease, conveyance or other disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of either Issuer in accordance with Section 5.01, the successor Person formed by such consolidation or into which either Issuer is merged or to which such transfer is made shall succeed to and (except in the case of a lease) be substituted for, and may exercise every right and power of, such Issuer under this Indenture with the same effect as if such successor Person had been named therein as such Issuer, and (except in the case of a lease) such Issuer shall be released from the obligations under the Notes and this Indenture, except with respect to any obligations that arise from, or are related to, such transaction.

# ARTICLE 6

# DEFAULTS AND REMEDIES

## Section 6.01 Events of Default.

Each of the following is an "Event of Default" with respect to the Notes:

- 1. default for 30 days in the payment when due of interest on the Notes;
- $2.\ default\ in\ payment\ when\ due\ of\ the\ principal\ of\ or\ premium,\ if\ any,\ on\ the\ Notes;$
- $3.\ failure\ by\ the\ Company\ or\ any\ of\ its\ Restricted\ Subsidiaries\ to\ comply\ with\ the\ provisions\ of\ Sections\ 4.16\ or\ 5.01;$
- 4. failure by the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries for 30 days after written notice thereof has been given to the Issuers by the Trustee or to the Issuers and the Trustee by Holders of at least 25% of the aggregate principal amount of the Notes outstanding to comply with any of their other covenants or agreements in this Indenture;
- 5. default under any mortgage, indenture or instrument under which there may be issued or by which there may be secured or evidenced any Indebtedness for money borrowed by the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries (or the payment of which is guaranteed by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries) whether such Indebtedness or guarantee now exists or is created after the Issue Date, if that default:
  - a. is caused by a failure to pay at final stated maturity the principal amount on such Indebtedness prior to the expiration of the grace period provided in such Indebtedness on the date of such default (a "Payment Default"); or

- b. results in the acceleration of such Indebtedness prior to its express maturity,
- and, in each case, the principal amount of any such Indebtedness, together with the principal amount of any other such Indebtedness under which there has been a Payment Default or the maturity of which has been so accelerated, aggregates \$100 million or more;
- 6. failure by the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to pay final judgments which are non-appealable aggregating in excess of \$100 million, net of applicable insurance which has not been denied in writing by the insurer, which judgments are not paid, discharged or stayed for a period of 60 days; and
- 7. the Company or any of its Significant Subsidiaries pursuant to or within the meaning of Bankruptcy Law:
  - a. commences a voluntary case,
  - b. consents to the entry of an order for relief against it in an involuntary case,
  - c. consents to the appointment of a custodian of it or for all or substantially all of its property, or
  - d. makes a general assignment for the benefit of its creditors; or
- 8. a court of competent jurisdiction enters an order or decree under any Bankruptcy Law that:
  - a. is for relief against the Company or any of its Significant Subsidiaries in an involuntary case;
  - b. appoints a custodian of the Company or any of its Significant Subsidiaries or for all or substantially all of the property of the Company or any of its Significant Subsidiaries; or
  - c. orders the liquidation of the Company or any of its Significant Subsidiaries;

and the order or decree remains unstayed and in effect for 60 consecutive days.

# Section 6.02 Acceleration.

In the case of an Event of Default arising from clause (7) or (8) of Section 6.01 with respect to the Company, all outstanding Notes shall become due and payable immediately without further action or notice. If any other Event of Default occurs and is continuing, the Trustee by notice to the Issuers or the Holders of at least 25% in principal amount of the then outstanding Notes by notice to the Issuers and the Trustee may declare all the Notes to be due and payable immediately. The Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Notes then outstanding by written notice to the Trustee may on behalf of all of the Holders rescind an acceleration and its consequences if the rescission would not conflict with any judgment or decree and if all existing Events of Default (except nonpayment of principal, interest or premium that has become due solely because of the acceleration) have been cured or waived.

#### Section 6.03 Other Remedies.

If an Event of Default occurs and is continuing, the Trustee may pursue any available remedy to collect the payment of principal, premium, if any, and interest on the Notes or to enforce the performance of any provision of the Notes or this Indenture.

The Trustee may maintain a proceeding even if it does not possess any of the Notes or does not produce any of them in the proceeding. A delay or omission by the Trustee or any Holder of a Note in exercising any right or remedy accruing upon an Event of Default shall not impair the right or remedy or constitute a waiver of or acquiescence in the Event of Default. All remedies are cumulative to the extent permitted by law.

#### Section 6.04 Waiver of Existing Defaults.

Holders of not less than a majority in aggregate principal amount of the then outstanding Notes by notice to the Trustee may on behalf of the Holders of all of the Notes waive an existing Default or Event of Default and its consequences hereunder, except a continuing Default or Event of Default in the payment of the principal of, premium, if any, or interest on, the Notes (including in connection with an offer to purchase) (provided, however, that the Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the then outstanding Notes may rescind an acceleration and its consequences, including any related payment default that resulted from such acceleration). Upon any such waiver, such Default shall cease to exist, and any Event of Default arising therefrom shall be deemed to have been cured for every purpose of this Indenture; but no such waiver shall extend to any subsequent or other Default or impair any right consequent thereon.

#### Section 6.05 Control by Majority.

Holders of a majority in principal amount of the then outstanding Notes may direct the time, method and place of conducting any proceeding for exercising any remedy available to the Trustee or exercising any trust or power conferred on it. However, the Trustee may refuse to follow any direction that conflicts with law or this Indenture that the Trustee determines may be prejudicial to the rights of other Holders of Notes or that may involve the Trustee in personal liability. The Trustee may take any other action which it deems proper that is not inconsistent with any such directive.

# Section 6.06 Limitation on Suits.

A Holder of a Note may pursue a remedy with respect to this Indenture or the Notes only if:

- a. the Holder of a Note gives to the Trustee written notice of a continuing Event of Default;
- b. the Holders of at least 25% in principal amount of the then outstanding Notes make a written request to the Trustee to pursue the remedy;
- c. such Holder of a Note or Holders of Notes offer and, if requested, provide to the Trustee indemnity satisfactory to the Trustee against any loss, liability or expense;
- d. the Trustee does not comply with the request within 60 days after receipt of the request and the offer and, if requested, the provision of indemnity; and
- e. during such 60-day period the Holders of a majority in principal amount of the then outstanding Notes do not give the Trustee a direction inconsistent with the request.

A Holder of a Note may not use this Indenture to prejudice the rights of another Holder of a Note or to obtain a preference or priority over another Holder of a Note.

# Section 6.07 Rights of Holders of Notes to Receive Payment.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, the right of any Holder of a Note to receive payment of principal, premium, if any, and interest on the Note, on or after the respective due dates expressed in the Note (including in connection with an offer to purchase), or to bring suit for the enforcement of any such payment on or after such respective dates, shall not be impaired or affected without the consent of such Holder.

# Section 6.08 Collection Suit by Trustee.

If an Event of Default specified in Section 6.01(1) or (2) occurs and is continuing, the Trustee is authorized to recover judgment in its own name and as trustee of an express trust against the Issuers for the whole amount of principal of, premium, if any, and interest remaining unpaid on the Notes and interest on overdue principal and, to the extent lawful, interest and such further amount as shall be sufficient to cover the costs and expenses of collection, including the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Trustee, its agents and counsel.

# Section 6.09 Trustee May File Proofs of Claim.

The Trustee is authorized to file such proofs of claim and other papers or documents as may be necessary or advisable in order to have the claims of the Trustee (including any claim for the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Trustee, its agents and counsel) and the Holders of the Notes allowed in any judicial proceedings relative to the

Issuers (or any other obligor upon the Notes), their creditors or their property and shall be entitled and empowered to collect, receive and distribute any money or other property payable or deliverable on any such claims and any custodian in any such judicial proceeding is hereby authorized by each Holder to make such payments to the Trustee, and in the event that the Trustee shall consent to the making of such payments directly to the Holders, to pay to the Trustee any amount due to it for the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Trustee, its agents and counsel, and any other amounts due the Trustee under Section 7.07. To the extent that the payment of any such compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Trustee, its agents and counsel, and any other amounts due the Trustee under Section 7.07 out of the estate in any such proceeding, shall be denied for any reason, payment of the same shall be secured by a Lien on, and shall be paid out of, any and all distributions, dividends, money, securities and other properties that the Holders may be entitled to receive in such proceeding whether in liquidation or under any plan of reorganization or arrangement or otherwise. Nothing herein contained shall be deemed to authorize the Trustee to authorize or consent to or accept or adopt on behalf of any Holder any plan of reorganization, arrangement, adjustment or composition affecting the Notes or the rights of any Holder, or to authorize the Trustee to vote in respect of the claim of any Holder in any such proceeding.

#### Section 6.10 Priorities.

If the Trustee collects any money pursuant to this Article, it shall pay out the money in the following order:

First: to the Trustee, its agents and attorneys for amounts due under Section 7.07, including payment of all compensation, expense and liabilities incurred, and all advances made, by the Trustee and the costs and expenses of collection;

Second: to Holders of Notes for amounts due and unpaid on the Notes for principal, premium, if any, and interest, ratably, without preference or priority of any kind, according to the amounts due and payable on the Notes for principal, premium, if any and interest, respectively; and

Third: to the Issuers or to such party as a court of competent jurisdiction shall direct.

The Trustee may fix a record date and payment date for any payment to Holders of Notes pursuant to this Section 6.10.

# Section 6.11 <u>Undertaking for Costs</u>.

In any suit for the enforcement of any right or remedy under this Indenture or in any suit against the Trustee for any action taken or omitted by it as a Trustee, a court in its discretion may require the filing by any party litigant in the suit of an undertaking to pay the costs of the suit, and the court in its discretion may assess reasonable costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees and expenses, against any party litigant in the suit, having due regard to the merits and good faith of the claims or defenses made by the party litigant. This Section does not apply to a suit by the Trustee, a suit by a Holder of a Note pursuant to Section 6.07, or a suit by Holders of more than 10% in principal amount of the then outstanding Notes.

#### ARTICLE 7

#### TRUSTEE

# Section 7.01 Duties of Trustee.

- 1. If an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the Trustee shall exercise such of the rights and powers vested in it by this Indenture, and use the same degree of care and skill in its exercise, as a prudent person would exercise or use under the circumstances in the conduct of such person's own affairs.
- 2. Except during the continuance of an Event of Default:
  - a. the duties of the Trustee shall be determined solely by the express provisions of this Indenture and the Trustee need perform only those duties that are specifically set forth in this Indenture and no others, and no implied covenants or obligations shall be read into this Indenture against the Trustee; and
  - b. in the absence of bad faith on its part, the Trustee may conclusively rely, as to the truth of the statements and the correctness of the opinions expressed therein, upon certificates or opinions required to be furnished to the Trustee hereunder and conforming to the requirements of this Indenture. However, the Trustee shall examine the certificates and opinions to determine whether or not they conform to the requirements of this Indenture (but need not confirm or investigate the accuracy of any mathematical calculations or other facts stated therein).
- 3. The Trustee may not be relieved from liabilities for its own gross negligent action, its own gross negligent failure to act, or its own willful misconduct, except that:
  - a. this paragraph does not limit the effect of paragraph (2) of this Section;
  - b. the Trustee shall not be liable for any error of judgment made in good faith by a Responsible Officer, unless it is proved that the Trustee was grossly negligent in ascertaining the pertinent facts; and
  - c. the Trustee shall not be liable with respect to any action it takes or omits to take in good faith in accordance with a direction received by it pursuant to Section 6.05.
- 4. Whether or not therein expressly so provided, every provision of this Indenture that in any way relates to the Trustee is subject to paragraphs (1), (2), and (3) of this Section 7.01.
- 5. No provision of this Indenture shall require the Trustee to expend or risk its own funds or incur any liability. The Trustee shall be under no obligation to exercise any of its rights and powers under this Indenture at the request of any Holders, unless such Holder shall have offered to the Trustee security and indemnity satisfactory to it against any loss, liability, claim, damage or expense.
- 6. The Trustee shall not be liable for interest on any money received by it except as the Trustee may agree in writing with the Issuers. Money held in trust by the Trustee need not be segregated from other funds except to the extent required by law.
- 7. The Trustee shall not be bound to make any investigation into the facts or matters stated in any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, direction, consent, order, bond, debenture or other paper or documents.

# Section 7.02 Rights of Trustee.

- 1. The Trustee may conclusively rely upon any document (whether in its original or facsimile form) believed by it to be genuine and to have been signed or presented by the proper Person. The Trustee need not investigate any fact or matter stated in the document.
- 2. Before the Trustee acts or refrains from acting, it may require an Officers' Certificate or an Opinion of Counsel or both. The Trustee shall not be liable for any action it takes or omits to take in good faith in reliance on such Officers' Certificate or Opinion of Counsel. The Trustee may consult with counsel of its own selection and the written advice or opinion of such counsel or any Opinion of Counsel shall be full and complete authorization and protection from liability in respect of any action taken, suffered or omitted by it hereunder in good faith and in reliance thereon.

- 3. The Trustee may act through its attorneys and agents and shall not be responsible for the misconduct or negligence of any agent appointed with due care.
- 4. The Trustee shall not be liable for any action it takes or omits to take in good faith that it believes to be authorized or within the rights or powers conferred upon it by this Indenture.
- 5. Unless otherwise specifically provided in this Indenture, any demand, request, direction or notice from either of the Issuers shall be sufficient if signed by an Officer of such Issuer.
- 6. The Trustee shall be under no obligation to exercise any of the rights or powers vested in it by this Indenture at the request or direction of any of the Holders unless such Holders shall have offered to the Trustee reasonable security or indemnity satisfactory to it against the costs, expenses and liabilities that might be incurred by it in compliance with such request or direction.
- 7. The Trustee shall not be charged with knowledge of any Default or Event of Default unless either (a) a Responsible Officer of the Trustee shall have actual knowledge of such Default or Event of Default or Event of Default shall have been given to and received by a Responsible Officer of the Trustee by the Issuers or any Holder.

#### Section 7.03 Individual Rights of Trustee.

The Trustee in its individual or any other capacity may become the owner or pledgee of Notes and may otherwise deal with the Issuers or any Affiliate of the Issuers with the same rights it would have if it were not Trustee. However, in the event that the Trustee acquires any conflicting interest it must eliminate such conflict within 90 days, apply to the SEC for permission to continue as trustee or resign. Any Agent may do the same with like rights and duties. The Trustee is also subject to Sections 7.10 and 7.11.

#### Section 7.04 Trustee's Disclaimer.

The Trustee shall not be responsible for and makes no representation as to the validity or adequacy of this Indenture or the Notes, it shall not be accountable for the Issuers' use of the proceeds from the Notes or any money paid to the Issuers or upon the Issuers' direction under any provision of this Indenture, it shall not be responsible for the use or application of any money received by any Paying Agent other than the Trustee, and it shall not be responsible for any statement or recital herein or any statement in the Notes or any other document in connection with the sale of the Notes or pursuant to this Indenture other than its certificate of authentication.

#### Section 7.05 Notice of Defaults.

If a Default or Event of Default occurs and is continuing and if it is known to a Responsible Officer of the Trustee, the Trustee shall mail to Holders of Notes a notice of the Default or Event of Default within 90 days after the Trustee acquires knowledge thereof. Except in the case of a Default or Event of Default in payment of principal of, premium, if any, or interest on any Note, the Trustee may withhold the notice if and so long as a committee of its Responsible Officers in good faith determines that withholding the notice is in the interests of the Holders of the Notes.

#### Section 7.06 Reports by Trustee to Holders of the Notes.

By May 15th of each year, and for so long as Notes remain outstanding, the Trustee shall mail to the Holders of the Notes a brief report dated as of such reporting date that complies with TIA ss. 313(a) (but if no event described in TIA ss. 313(a) has occurred within the twelve months preceding the reporting date, no report need be transmitted). The Trustee also shall comply with TIA ss. 313(b)(2). The Trustee shall also transmit by mail all reports as required by TIA ss. 313(c).

A copy of each report at the time of its mailing to the Holders of Notes shall be mailed to the Company and filed with the SEC and each stock exchange on which the Notes are listed in accordance with TIA ss. 313(d). The Issuers shall promptly notify the Trustee when the Notes are listed on any stock exchange.

# Section 7.07 Compensation and Indemnity.

The Issuers shall pay to the Trustee from time to time reasonable compensation for its acceptance of this Indenture and services hereunder. The Trustee's compensation shall not be limited by any law on compensation of a trustee of an express trust. The Issuers shall reimburse the Trustee promptly upon request for all reasonable disbursements, advances and expenses incurred or made by it in addition to the compensation for its services. Such expenses shall include the reasonable compensation, disbursements and expenses of the Trustee's agents and counsel.

The Issuers shall, jointly and severally, indemnify the Trustee against any and all losses, liabilities, claims, damages or expenses (including reasonable legal fees and expenses) incurred by it arising out of or in connection with the acceptance or administration of its duties under this Indenture, including the costs and expenses of enforcing this Indenture against the Issuers (including this Section 7.07) and defending itself against any claim (whether asserted by the Issuers or any Holder or any other person) or liability in connection with the exercise or performance of any of its powers or duties hereunder, except to the extent any such loss, liability or expense may be attributable to its gross negligence or willful misconduct. The Trustee shall notify the Issuers promptly of any claim for which it may seek indemnity. Failure by the Trustee to so notify the Issuers shall not relieve the Issuers of their obligations hereunder. The Issuers shall defend the claim and the Trustee shall cooperate in the defense. The Trustee may have separate counsel and the Issuers shall pay the reasonable fees and expenses of such counsel. The Issuers need not pay for any settlement made without their consent, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld.

The obligations of the Issuers this Section 7.07 shall survive resignation or removal of the Trustee and the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture.

To secure the Issuers' payment obligations in this Section, the Trustee shall have a Lien prior to the Notes on all money or property held or collected by the Trustee, except that held in trust to pay principal and interest on particular Notes. Such Lien shall survive the resignation or removal of the Trustee and the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture.

When the Trustee incurs expenses or renders services after an Event of Default specified in Section 6.01(7) or (8) occurs, the expenses and the compensation for the services (including the fees and expenses of its agents and counsel) are intended to constitute expenses of administration under any Bankruptcy Law.

The Trustee shall comply with the provisions of TIA ss. 313(b)(2) to the extent applicable.

#### Section 7.08 Replacement of Trustee.

A resignation or removal of the Trustee and appointment of a successor Trustee shall become effective only upon the successor Trustee's acceptance of appointment as provided in this Section.

The Trustee may resign in writing at any time and be discharged from the trust hereby created by so notifying the Issuers. The Holders of a majority in principal amount of the then outstanding Notes may remove the Trustee by so notifying the Issuers in writing. The Issuers may remove the Trustee if:

- a. the Trustee fails to comply with Section 7.10;
- b. the Trustee is adjudged a bankrupt or an insolvent or an order for relief is entered with respect to the Trustee under any Bankruptcy Law;
- c. a custodian or public officer takes charge of the Trustee or its property; or
- d. the Trustee becomes incapable of acting.

If the Trustee resigns or is removed or if a vacancy exists in the office of Trustee for any reason, the Issuers shall promptly appoint a successor Trustee. Within one year after the successor Trustee takes office, the Holders of a majority in principal amount of the then outstanding Notes may appoint a successor Trustee to replace the successor Trustee appointed by the Issuers.

If a successor Trustee does not take office within 60 days after the retiring Trustee resigns or is removed, the retiring Trustee, the Issuers, or the Holders of at least 10% in principal amount of the then outstanding Notes may petition at the expense of the Issuers any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Trustee.

If the Trustee, after written request by any Holder who has been a Holder for at least six months, fails to comply with Section 7.10, such Holder may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the removal of the Trustee and the appointment of a successor Trustee.

A successor Trustee shall deliver a written acceptance of its appointment to the retiring Trustee and to the Issuers. Thereupon, the resignation or removal of the retiring Trustee shall become effective, and the successor Trustee shall have all the rights, powers and duties of the Trustee under this Indenture. The successor Trustee shall mail a notice of its succession to Holders. The retiring Trustee shall promptly transfer all property held by it as Trustee to the successor Trustee; provided all sums owing to the Trustee hereunder have been paid and subject to the Lien provided for in Section 7.07. Notwithstanding replacement of the Trustee pursuant to this Section 7.08, the Issuers' obligations under Section 7.07 shall continue for the benefit of the retiring Trustee.

#### Section 7.09 Successor Trustee by Merger, etc.

If the Trustee consolidates, merges or converts into, or transfers all or substantially all of its corporate trust business to, another corporation, the successor corporation without any further act shall be the successor Trustee.

#### Section 7.10 Eligibility; Disqualification.

There shall at all times be a Trustee hereunder that is a corporation organized and doing business under the laws of the United States of America or of any state thereof that is authorized under such laws to exercise corporate trustee power, that is subject to supervision or examination by federal or state authorities and that has a combined capital and surplus of at least \$100 million as set forth in its most recent published annual report of condition.

This Indenture shall always have a Trustee who satisfies the requirements of TIA ss. 310(a)(1), (2) and (5). The Trustee is subject to TIA ss. 310(b).

#### Section 7.11 Preferential Collection of Claims Against the Issuers.

The Trustee is subject to TIA ss. 311(a), excluding any creditor relationship listed in TIA ss. 311(b). A Trustee who has resigned or been removed shall be subject to TIA ss. 311(a) to the extent indicated therein.

#### ARTICLE 8

#### LEGAL DEFEASANCE AND COVENANT DEFEASANCE

# Section 8.01 Option to Effect Legal Defeasance or Covenant Defeasance.

The Issuers may, at the option of their respective boards of directors or the Board of Directors of CCI evidenced by a resolution set forth in an Officers' Certificate of each of the Issuers, at any time, elect to have either Section 8.02 or 8.03 be applied to all outstanding Notes upon compliance with the conditions set forth below in this Article 8.

#### Section 8.02 Legal Defeasance and Discharge.

Upon the Issuers' exercise under Section 8.01 of the option applicable to this Section 8.02, the Issuers shall, subject to the satisfaction of the conditions set forth in Section 8.04, be deemed to have been discharged from their obligations with respect to all outstanding Notes on the date the conditions set forth below are satisfied (hereinafter, "Legal Defeasance"). For this purpose, Legal Defeasance means that the Issuers shall be deemed to have paid and discharged the entire Indebtedness represented by the outstanding Notes, which shall thereafter be deemed to be "outstanding" only for the purposes of Section 8.05 and the other Sections of this Indenture referred to in (a) and (b) below, and to have satisfied all their other obligations under such Notes and this Indenture (and the Trustee, on demand of and at the expense of the Issuers, shall execute proper instruments acknowledging the same), except for the following provisions which shall survive until otherwise terminated or discharged hereunder:

- a. the rights of Holders of outstanding Notes to receive payments in respect of the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on such Notes when such payments are due from the trust referred to below;
- b. the Issuers' obligations with respect to the Notes concerning issuing temporary Notes, registration of Notes, mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen Notes and the maintenance of an office or agency for payment and money for security payments held in trust;
- $c.\ the\ rights,\ powers,\ trusts,\ duties\ and\ immunities\ of\ the\ Trustee\ and\ the\ Issuers'\ obligations\ in\ connection\ therewith;\ and$
- d. the Legal Defeasance provisions of this Indenture;

Subject to compliance with this Article 8, the Issuers may exercise their option under this Section 8.02 notwithstanding the prior exercise of their option under Section 8.03.

#### Section 8.03 Covenant Defeasance.

Upon the Issuers' exercise under Section 8.01 of the option applicable to this Section 8.03, the Issuers shall, subject to the satisfaction of the conditions set forth in Section 8.04, be released from their obligations under the covenants contained in Article 5 and Sections 4.03, 4.07, 4.08, 4.09, 4.10, 4.11, 4.12, 4.13, 4.14, 4.16, 4.17 and 4.19 with respect to the outstanding Notes on and after the date the conditions set forth in Section 8.04 are satisfied (hereinafter, "Covenant Defeasance"), and the Notes shall thereafter be deemed not "outstanding" for the purposes of any direction, waiver, consent or declaration or act of Holders (and the consequences of any thereof) in connection with such covenants, but shall continue to be deemed "outstanding" for all other purposes hereunder (it being understood that such Notes shall not be deemed outstanding for accounting purposes). For this purpose, Covenant Defeasance means that, with respect to the outstanding Notes, the Issuers may omit to comply with and shall have no liability in respect of any term, condition or limitation set forth in any such covenant, whether directly or indirectly, by reason of any reference elsewhere herein to any such covenant or by reason of any reference in any such covenant to any other provision herein or in any other document and such omission to comply shall not constitute a Default or an Event of Default under Section 6.01, but, except as specified above, the remainder of this Indenture and such Notes shall be unaffected thereby. In addition, upon the Issuers' exercise under Section 8.01 of the option applicable to this Section 8.03, subject to the satisfaction of the conditions set forth in Section 8.04, Sections 6.01(3) through 6.01(6) shall not constitute Events of Default.

#### Section 8.04 Conditions to Legal or Covenant Defeasance.

The following shall be the conditions to the application of either Section 8.02 or 8.03 to the outstanding Notes:

In order to exercise either Legal Defeasance or Covenant Defeasance:

- 1. the Issuers must irrevocably deposit with the Trustee, in trust, for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes, cash in U.S. dollars, non-callable Government Securities, or a combination thereof, in such amounts as will be sufficient, in the opinion of a nationally recognized firm of independent public accountants, to pay the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the outstanding Notes on the stated maturity or on the applicable redemption date, as the case may be, and the Issuers must specify whether the Notes are being defeased to maturity or to a particular redemption date;
- 2. in the case of Legal Defeasance, the Issuers shall have delivered to the Trustee an Opinion of Counsel reasonably acceptable to the Trustee confirming that
  - a. the Issuers have received from, or there has been published by, the Internal Revenue Service a ruling or

b. since the Issue Date, there has been a change in the applicable federal income tax law,

in either case to the effect that, and based thereon such Opinion of Counsel shall confirm that, the Holders of the outstanding Notes will not recognize income, gain or loss for federal income tax purposes as a result of such Legal Defeasance and will be subject to federal income tax on the same amounts, in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if such Legal Defeasance had not occurred;

- 3. in the case of Covenant Defeasance, the Issuers shall have delivered to the Trustee an Opinion of Counsel reasonably acceptable to the Trustee confirming that the Holders of the outstanding Notes will not recognize income, gain or loss for federal income tax purposes as a result of such Covenant Defeasance and will be subject to federal income tax on the same amounts, in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if such Covenant Defeasance had not occurred;
- 4. no Default or Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing either:
  - a. on the date of such deposit (other than a Default or Event of Default resulting from the borrowing of funds to be applied to such deposit); or
  - b. insofar as Events of Default from bankruptcy or insolvency events are concerned, at any time in the period ending on the 91st day after the date of deposit;
- 5. such Legal Defeasance or Covenant Defeasance will not result in a breach or violation of, or constitute a default under any material agreement or instrument (other than this Indenture) to which the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries is a party or by which the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries is bound;
- 6. the Issuers must have delivered to the Trustee an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that after the 91st day, assuming no intervening bankruptcy, that no Holder is an insider of either of the Issuers following the deposit and that such deposit would not be deemed by a court of competent jurisdiction a transfer for the benefit of either Issuer in its capacity as such, the trust funds will not be subject to the effect of any applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or similar laws affecting creditors' rights generally;
- 7. the Issuers must deliver to the Trustee an Officers' Certificate stating that the deposit was not made by the Issuers with the intent of preferring the Holders of the Notes over the other creditors of the Issuers with the intent of defeating, hindering, delaying or defrauding creditors of the Issuers or others; and
- 8. the Issuers must deliver to the Trustee an Officers' Certificate and an Opinion of Counsel, each stating that all conditions precedent relating to the Legal Defeasance or the Covenant Defeasance have been complied with.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Opinion of Counsel required by clause (2) above with respect to a Legal Defeasance need not be delivered if all Notes not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation

- a. have become due and payable or
- b. will become due and payable on the maturity date within one year, by their terms or under arrangements satisfactory to the Trustee for the giving of notice of redemption by the Trustee in the name, and at the expense, of the Issuers.

# Section 8.05 Deposited Money and Government Securities to Be Held in Trust; Other Miscellaneous Provisions.

Subject to Section 8.06, all money and non-callable Government Securities (including the proceeds thereof) deposited with the Trustee (or other qualifying trustee, collectively for purposes of this Section 8.05, the "Trustee") pursuant to Section 8.04 in respect of the outstanding Notes shall be held in trust and applied by the Trustee, in accordance with the provisions of such Notes and this Indenture, to the payment, either directly or through any Paying Agent (including the Issuers acting as Paying Agent) as the Trustee may determine, to the Holders of such Notes of all sums due and to become due thereon in respect of principal, premium, if any, and interest, but such money need not be segregated from other funds except to the extent required by law.

The Issuers shall pay and indemnify the Trustee against any tax, fee or other charge imposed on or assessed against the cash or non-callable Government Securities deposited pursuant to Section 8.04 or the principal and interest received in respect thereof other than any such tax, fee or other charge which by law is for the account of the Holders of the outstanding Notes.

Anything in this Article 8 to the contrary notwithstanding, the Trustee shall deliver or pay to the Issuers from time to time upon the request of the Issuers any money or non-callable Government Securities held by it as provided in Section 8.04 which, in the opinion of a nationally recognized firm of independent public accountants expressed in a written certification thereof delivered to the Trustee (which may be the opinion delivered under Section 8.04(1)), are in excess of the amount thereof that would then be required to be deposited to effect an equivalent Legal Defeasance or Covenant Defeasance.

# Section 8.06 Repayment to Issuers.

Any money deposited with the Trustee or any Paying Agent, or then held by the Issuers, in trust for the payment of the principal of, premium, if any, or interest on any Note and remaining unclaimed for two years after such principal, and premium, if any, or interest has become due and payable shall be paid to the Issuers on their request or (if then held by the Issuers) shall be discharged from such trust; and the Holder of such Note shall thereafter look only to the Issuers for payment thereof, and all liability of the Trustee or such Paying Agent with respect to such trust money, and all liability of the Issuers as trustee thereof, shall thereupon cease; provided, however, that the Trustee or such Paying Agent, before being required to make any such repayment, may at the expense of the Issuers cause to be published once, in the New York Times and The Wall Street Journal (national edition), notice that such money remains unclaimed and that, after a date specified therein, which shall not be less than 30 days from the date of such notification or publication, any unclaimed balance of such money then remaining shall be repaid to the Issuers.

#### Section 8.07 Reinstatement.

If the Trustee or Paying Agent is unable to apply any United States dollars or non-callable Government Securities in accordance with Section 8.02 or 8.03, as the case may be, by reason of any order or judgment of any court or governmental authority enjoining, restraining or otherwise prohibiting such application, then the Issuers' obligations under this Indenture and the Notes, shall be revived and reinstated as though no deposit had occurred pursuant to Section 8.02 or 8.03 until such time as the Trustee or Paying Agent is permitted to apply all such money in accordance with Section 8.02 or 8.03, as the case may be; provided, however, that, if the Issuers make any payment of principal of, premium, if any, or interest on any Note following the reinstatement of their obligations, the Issuers shall be subrogated to the rights of the Holders of such Notes to receive such payment from the money held by the Trustee or Paying Agent.

#### ARTICLE 9

#### AMENDMENT, SUPPLEMENT AND WAIVER

#### Section 9.01 Without Consent of Holders of Notes.

Notwithstanding Section 9.02 of this Indenture, the Issuers and the Trustee may amend or supplement this Indenture or the Notes without the consent of any Holder of a Note:

- 2. to provide for uncertificated Notes in addition to or in place of certificated Notes;
- 3. to provide for or confirm the issuance of Additional Notes;
- 4. to provide for the assumption of either Issuer's obligations to Holders of Notes in the case of a merger or consolidation or sale of all or substantially all of the assets of such Issuer pursuant to Article 5:
- 5. to make any change that would provide any additional rights or benefits to the Holders of Notes or that does not adversely affect the legal rights under this Indenture of any Holder; or
- 6. to comply with requirements of the SEC in order to effect or maintain the qualification of this Indenture under the TIA or otherwise as necessary to comply with applicable law.

Upon the request of the Issuers accompanied by a resolution of their respective boards of directors or the Board of Directors of CCI authorizing the execution of any such amended or supplemental Indenture, and upon receipt by the Trustee of the documents described in Section 7.02, the Trustee shall join with the Issuers in the execution of any amended or supplemental Indenture authorized or permitted by the terms of this Indenture and to make any further appropriate agreements and stipulations that may be therein contained, but the Trustee shall not be obligated to enter into such amended or supplemental Indenture that affects its own rights, duties or immunities under this Indenture or otherwise.

#### Section 9.02 With Consent of Holders of Notes.

Except as provided below in this Section 9.02, this Indenture (including Sections 4.11 and 4.16) or the Notes may be amended or supplemented with the consent of the Holders of at least a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Notes then outstanding (including, without limitation, consents obtained in connection with a purchase of, or a tender offer or exchange offer for, Notes) and, subject to Sections 6.04 and 6.07, any existing Default or compliance with any provision of this Indenture or the Notes may be waived with the consent of the Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Notes then outstanding (including, without limitation, consents obtained in connection with a purchase of, or a tender offer or exchange offer for, Notes). Section 2.08 shall determine which Notes are considered to be "outstanding" for purposes of this Section 9.02.

Upon the request of the Issuers accompanied by a resolution of their respective boards of directors or the Board of Directors of CCI authorizing the execution of any such amended or supplemental Indenture, and upon the filing with the Trustee of evidence satisfactory to the Trustee of the consent of the Holders of Notes as aforesaid, and upon receipt by the Trustee of the documents described in Section 7.02, the Trustee shall join with the Issuers in the execution of such amended or supplemental Indenture unless such amended or supplemental Indenture directly affects the Trustee's own rights, duties or immunities under this Indenture or otherwise, in which case the Trustee may in its discretion, but shall not be obligated to, enter into such amended or supplemental Indenture.

It shall not be necessary for the consent of the Holders of Notes under this Section 9.02 to approve the particular form of any proposed amendment or waiver, but it shall be sufficient if such consent approves the substance thereof.

After an amendment, supplement or waiver under this Section 9.02 becomes effective, the Issuers shall mail to the Holders of Notes affected thereby a notice briefly describing the amendment, supplement or waiver. Any failure of the Issuers to mail such notice, or any defect therein, shall not, however, in any way impair or affect the validity of any such amended or supplemental Indenture or waiver. Subject to Sections 6.04 and 6.07, the Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Notes then outstanding may waive compliance in a particular instance by the Issuers with any provision of this Indenture or the Notes. However, without the consent of each Holder affected, an amendment, supplement or waiver under this Section 9.02 may not (with respect to any Notes held by a non-consenting Holder):

- 1. reduce the principal amount of Notes whose Holders must consent to an amendment, supplement or waiver;
- 2. reduce the principal of or change the fixed maturity of any Note or alter the payment provisions with respect to the redemption of the Notes (other than provisions relating to Sections 4.11 and 4.16);
- 3. reduce the rate of or extend the time for payment of interest on any Note;
- 4. waive a Default or Event of Default in the payment of principal of, or premium, if any, or interest on the Notes (except a rescission of acceleration of the Notes by the Holders of at least a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Notes and a waiver of the payment default that resulted from such acceleration);
- 5. make any Note payable in money other than that stated in the Notes;
- 6. make any change in the provisions of this Indenture relating to waivers of past Defaults or the rights of Holders of Notes to receive payments of principal of, or premium, if any, or interest on the Notes;
- $7.\ waive\ a\ redemption\ payment\ with\ respect\ to\ any\ Note\ (other\ than\ a\ payment\ required\ by\ Section\ 4.11\ or\ 4.16);\ or\ 4.16$
- 8. make any change in this Section 9.02.

# Section 9.03 Compliance with Trust Indenture Act.

Every amendment or supplement to this Indenture or the Notes shall be set forth in a amended or supplemental Indenture that complies with the TIA as then in effect.

# Section 9.04 Revocation and Effect of Consents.

Until an amendment, supplement or waiver becomes effective, a consent to it by a Holder of a Note is a continuing consent by the Holder of a Note and every subsequent Holder of a Note or portion of a Note that evidences the same debt as the consenting Holder's Note, even if notation of the consent is not made on any Note. However, any such Holder of a Note or subsequent Holder of a Note may revoke the consent as to its Note if the Trustee receives written notice of revocation before the date the waiver, supplement or amendment becomes effective. An amendment, supplement or waiver becomes effective in accordance with its terms and thereafter binds every Holder.

# Section 9.05 Notation on or Exchange of Notes.

The Trustee may place an appropriate notation about an amendment, supplement or waiver on any Note thereafter authenticated. The Issuers in exchange for all Notes may issue and the Trustee shall, upon receipt of an Authentication Order, authenticate new Notes that reflect the amendment, supplement or waiver.

Failure to make the appropriate notation or issue a new Note shall not affect the validity and effect of such amendment, supplement or waiver.

#### Section 9.06 Trustee to Sign Amendments, etc.

The Trustee shall sign any amended or supplemental Indenture authorized pursuant to this Article 9 if the amendment or supplement does not adversely affect the rights, duties, liabilities or immunities of the Trustee. The Issuers may not sign an amendment or supplemental Indenture until their respective Boards of Directors approve it. In executing any amended or supplemental indenture, the Trustee shall be entitled to receive and (subject to Section 7.01) shall be fully protected in relying upon, in addition to the documents required by Section 10.04, an Officer's Certificate and an Opinion of Counsel, in each case from each of the Issuers, stating that the execution of such amended or supplemental indenture is authorized or permitted by this Indenture.

#### ARTICLE 10

#### MISCELLANEOUS

#### Section 10.01 Trust Indenture Act Controls.

If any provision of this Indenture limits, qualifies or conflicts with the duties imposed by TIA ss. 318(c), the imposed duties shall control.

#### Section 10.02 Notices.

Any notice or communication by the Issuers or the Trustee to the others is duly given if in writing and delivered in Person or mailed by first class mail (registered or certified, return receipt requested), telex, telecopier or overnight air courier guaranteeing next day delivery, to the others' address:

If to the Issuers:

CCH II, LLC CCH II Capital Corp. c/o Charter Communications, Inc. 12405 Powerscourt Drive, Suite 100

Telecopier No.: (314) 965-8793 Attention: Secretary

With a copy to:

Irell & Manella LLP

1800 Avenue of the Stars

Suite 900

Los Angeles, California 90067

Telecopier No.: (310) 556-5393

Attention: Meredith Jackson, Esq.

If to the Trustee:

Wells Fargo Bank, National Association

Corporate Trust Services MAC N9303-110 Sixth and Marquette Avenue Minneapolis, MN 55479 Telecopier No.: 612-667-2160

Attention: Michael Lechner and Michael Slade

The Issuers or the Trustee, by notice to the others may designate additional or different addresses for subsequent notices or communications.

All notices and communications (other than those sent to Holders) shall be deemed to have been duly given: at the time delivered by hand, if personally delivered; five Business Days after being deposited in the mail, postage prepaid, if mailed; when answered back, if telexed; when receipt acknowledged, if telecopied; and the next Business Day after timely delivery to the courier, if sent by overnight air courier guaranteeing next day delivery.

Any notice or communication to a Holder shall be mailed by first class mail, certified or registered, return receipt requested, or by overnight air courier guaranteeing next day delivery to its address shown on the register kept by the Registrar. Any notice or communication shall also be so mailed to any Person described in TIA ss. 313(c), to the extent required by the TIA. Failure to mail a notice or communication to a Holder or any defect in it shall not affect its sufficiency with respect to other Holders.

If a notice or communication is mailed in the manner provided above within the time prescribed, it is duly given, whether or not the addressee receives it.

If the Issuers mail a notice or communication to Holders, it shall mail a copy to the Trustee and each Agent at the same time.

# Section 10.03 Communication by Holders of Notes with Other Holders of Notes.

Holders may communicate pursuant to TIA ss. 312(b) with other Holders with respect to their rights under this Indenture or the Notes. The Issuers, the Trustee, the Registrar and anyone else shall have the protection of TIA ss. 312(c).

#### Section 10.04 Certificate and Opinion as to Conditions Precedent

Upon any request or application by the Issuers to the Trustee to take any action under this Indenture, the Issuers shall furnish to the Trustee:

- i. an Officers' Certificate in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee (which shall include the statements set forth in Section 10.05) stating that, in the opinion of the signers, all conditions precedent and covenants, if any, provided for in this Indenture relating to the proposed action have been satisfied; and
- ii. an Opinion of Counsel in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee (which shall include the statements set forth in Section 10.05) stating that, in the opinion of such counsel, all such conditions precedent and covenants have been satisfied.

# Section 10.05 Statements Required in Certificate or Opinion.

Each certificate or opinion with respect to compliance with a condition or covenant provided for in this Indenture (other than a certificate provided pursuant to TIA ss. 314(a)(4)) shall comply with the provisions of TIA ss. 314(e) and shall include:

- i. a statement that the Person making such certificate or opinion has read such covenant or condition;
- ii. a brief statement as to the nature and scope of the examination or investigation upon which the statements or opinions contained in such certificate or opinion are based;

iii. a statement that, in the opinion of such Person, he or she has made such examination or investigation as is necessary to enable him to express an informed opinion as to whether or not such covenant or condition has been satisfied; and

iv. a statement as to whether or not, in the opinion of such Person, such condition or covenant has been satisfied.

#### Section 10.06 Rules by Trustee and Agents.

The Trustee may make reasonable rules for action by or at a meeting of Holders. The Registrar or Paying Agent may make reasonable rules and set reasonable requirements for its functions.

#### Section 10.07 No Personal Liability of Directors, Officers, Employees, Members and Stockholders.

No director, officer, employee, incorporator, member or stockholder of the Issuers, as such, shall have any liability for any obligations of the Issuers under the Notes, this Indenture or for any claim based on, in respect of, or by reason of, such obligations or their creation. Each Holder of Notes by accepting a Note waives and releases all such liability. The waiver and release are part of the consideration for issuance of the Notes.

#### Section 10.08 Governing Law.

THE INTERNAL LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK SHALL GOVERN AND BE USED TO CONSTRUE THIS INDENTURE AND THE NOTES AND ANY SUBSIDIARY GUARANTEE WITHOUT GIVING EFFECT TO THE APPLICABLE PRINCIPLES OF CONFLICTS OF LAWS TO THE EXTENT THAT THE APPLICATION OF THE LAWS OF ANOTHER JURISDICTION WOULD BE REQUIRED THEREBY. EACH OF THE PARTIES HERETO AGREES TO SUBMIT TO THE JURISDICTION OF THE COURTS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK IN ANY ACTION OR PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS INDENTURE OR THE NOTES OR ANY SUBSIDIARY GUARANTEE.

#### Section 10.09 No Adverse Interpretation of Other Agreements.

This Indenture may not be used to interpret any other indenture, loan or debt agreement of the Issuers or their Subsidiaries or of any other Person. Any such indenture, loan or debt agreement may not be used to interpret this Indenture.

#### Section 10.10 Successors.

All agreements of the Issuers in this Indenture and the Notes, as the case may be, shall bind their respective successors. All agreements of the Trustee in this Indenture shall bind its successors.

#### Section 10.11 Severability.

In case any provision in this Indenture or the Notes, as the case may be, shall be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

#### Section 10.12 Counterpart Originals.

The parties may sign any number of copies of this Indenture. Each signed copy shall be an original, but all of them together represent the same agreement.

# Section 10.13 Table of Contents, Headings, etc.

The Table of Contents, Cross-Reference Table and Headings of the Articles and Sections of this Indenture have been inserted for convenience of reference only, are not to be considered a part of this Indenture and shall in no way modify or restrict any of the terms or provisions.

#### **ARTICLE 11**

# SATISFACTION AND DISCHARGE

#### Section 11.01 Satisfaction and Discharge of Indenture.

This Indenture shall cease to be of further effect (except as to any surviving rights of registration of transfer or exchange of Notes herein expressly provided for), and the Trustee, on demand of and at the expense of the Issuers, shall execute proper instruments acknowledging satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture, when

#### 1. either

- a. all Notes theretofore authenticated and delivered (other than (i) Notes which have been destroyed, lost or stolen and which have been replaced or paid as provided in Section 2.07 and (ii) Notes for whose payment money has theretofore been deposited in trust or segregated and held in trust by the Issuers and thereafter repaid to the Issuers or discharged from such trust,) have been delivered to the Trustee for cancellation; or
- b. all such Notes not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation
  - i. have become due and payable, or
  - ii. will become due and payable at their Stated Maturity within one year, or
  - iii. are to be called for redemption within one year under arrangements satisfactory to the Trustee for the giving of notice of redemption by the Trustee in the name, and at the expense, of the Issuers,

and the Issuers, in the case of (i), (ii) or (iii) above, have deposited or caused to be deposited with the Trustee as trust funds in trust for the purpose an amount sufficient to pay and discharge the entire indebtedness on such Notes not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation, for principal (and premium, if any) and interest to the date of such deposit (in the case of Notes which have become due and payable) or to the maturity or redemption thereof, as the case may be;

- 2. the Issuers have paid or caused to be paid all other sums payable hereunder by the Issuers; and
- 3. each of the Issuers has delivered to the Trustee an Officers' Certificate and an Opinion of Counsel, each stating that all conditions precedent herein provided for relating to the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture have been complied with.

Notwithstanding the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture pursuant to this Article 11, the obligations of the Issuers to the Trustee under Section 7.07, and, if money shall have been deposited with the Trustee pursuant to subclause (b) of clause (1) of this Section, the obligations of the Trustee under Section 11.02 shall survive.

All money deposited with the Trustee pursuant to Section 11.01 shall be held in trust and applied by it, in accordance with the provisions of the Notes and this Indenture, to the payment, either directly or through any Paying Agent as the Trustee may determine, to the Persons entitled thereto, of the principal (and premium, if any) and interest for whose payment such money

has been deposited with the Trustee. [Signatures on following page] **SIGNATURES** Dated as of September 23, 2003 CCH II, LLC, as an Issuer By:\_ Name: Title: CCH II CAPITAL CORP., as an Issuer By:\_ Name: Title: WELLS FARGO BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, as Trustee By:\_ Name: Title: [Face of Note] CUSIP NO. 12502C AE 1 10.25% Senior Notes due 2010 No. CCH II, LLC CCH II CAPITAL CORP. promise to pay to \_ or registered assigns, the principal amount of \_\_\_ \_) on September 15, 2010. Interest Payment Dates: March 15 and September 15 Record Dates: March 1 and September 1 Subject to Restrictions set forth in this Note.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, each of CCH II, LLC and CCH II Capital Corp. has caused this instrument to be duly executed.

Dated: \_\_\_\_, 2003

CCH II, LLC

Name: Title:

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CCH II CAPITAL CORP.			
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This is one of the Notes referred to			
in the within-mentioned Indenture:			
WELLS FARGO BANK,			
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,			
as Trustee			
Ву:	_		
Authorized Signatory			
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10.25% Senior Notes due 2010

"THIS GLOBAL NOTE IS HELD BY THE DEPOSITARY (AS DEFINED IN THE INDENTURE GOVERNING THIS NOTE) OR ITS NOMINEE IN CUSTODY FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE BENEFICIAL OWNERS HEREOF, AND IS NOT TRANSFERABLE TO ANY PERSON UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES EXCEPT THAT (i) THE TRUSTEE MAY MAKE SUCH NOTATIONS HEREON AS MAY BE REQUIRED PURSUANT TO SECTION 2.07 OF THE INDENTURE, (ii) THIS GLOBAL NOTE MAY BE EXCHANGED IN WHOLE BUT NOT IN PART PURSUANT TO SECTION 2.06(a) OF THE INDENTURE, (iii) THIS GLOBAL NOTE MAY BE DELIVERED TO THE TRUSTEE FOR CANCELLATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 2.11 OF THE INDENTURE AND (iv) THIS GLOBAL NOTE MAY BE TRANSFERRED TO A SUCCESSOR DEPOSITARY WITH THE PRIOR WRITTEN CONSENT OF THE ISSUERS."

"THE NOTES EVIDENCED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933 (THE "SECURITIES ACT") AND MAY NOT BE OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED EXCEPT (a) (1) TO A PERSON WHO THE SELLER REASONABLY BELIEVES IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER WITHIN THE MEANING OF RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PURCHASING FOR ITS OWN ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A, (2) IN AN OFFSHORE TRANSACTION COMPLYING WITH RULE 903 OR RULE 904 OF REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, (3) TO AN INSTITUTIONAL ACCREDITED INVESTOR IN A TRANSACTION EXEMPT FROM THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS OF THE SECURITIES ACT SUBJECT TO THE CERTIFICATION AND DELIVERY REQUIREMENTS OF THE INDENTURE GOVERNING THE NOTES, (4) PURSUANT TO AN EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT PROVIDED BY RULE 144 THEREUNDER (IF AVAILABLE) OR (5) PURSUANT TO AN E FFECTIVE REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT AND (b) IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF THE STATES OF THE UNITED STATES."

Capitalized terms used herein shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Indenture referred to below unless otherwise indicated.

- 1. INTEREST. CCH II, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (the "Company"), and CCH II Capital Corp., a Delaware corporation ("Capital Corp" and, together with the Company, the "Issuers"), promise to pay interest on the principal amount of this Note at the rate of 10.25% per annum from the Issue Date until maturity. The interest rate on the Notes is subject to increase pursuant to the provisions of the Registration Rights Agreement. The Issuers will pay interest semi-annually in arrears on March 15 and September 15 of each year (each an "Interest Payment Date"), or if any such day is not a Business Day, on the next succeeding Business Day. Interest on the Notes will accrue from the most recent date to which interest has been paid or, if no interest has been paid, from the date of issuance; provided that if there is no existing Default in the payment of interest, and if this Note is authenticated between a record date referred to on the face and the next succeeding Interest Payment Date; provided, further, that the first Interest Payment Date shall be March 15, 2004. The Issuers shall pay interest (including post-petition interest in any proceeding under any Bankruptcy Law) on overdue principal and premium, if any, from time to time on demand at a rate that is 2% per annum in excess of the rate then in effect; they shall pay interest (including post-petition interest in any proceeding under any Bankruptcy Law) on overdue installments of interest (without regard to any applicable grace periods) from time to time on demand at the same rate to the extent lawful. Interest will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months.
- 2. METHOD OF PAYMENT. The Issuers shall pay interest on the Notes (except defaulted interest) to the Persons who are registered Holders of Notes at the close of business on the March 1 or September 1 next preceding the Interest Payment Date, even if such Notes are canceled after such record date and on or before such Interest Payment Date, except as provided in Section 2.12 of the Indenture with respect to defaulted interest. The Notes will be payable as to principal, premium, if any, and interest at the office or agency of the Issuers maintained for such purpose within or without the City and State of New York, or, at the option of the Issuers, payment of interest may be made by check mailed to the Holders at their addresses set forth in the register of Holders, and provided that payment by wire transfer of immediately available funds will be required with respect to principal of and interest and premium on all Global Notes and all other Notes the Holders of which shall have provided w ire transfer instructions to the Issuers or the Paying Agent. Such payment shall be in such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time of payment is legal tender for payment of public and private debts.
- 3. PAYING AGENT AND REGISTRAR. Initially, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, the Trustee under the Indenture, will act as Paying Agent and Registrar. The Issuers may change any Paying Agent or Registrar without notice to any Holder. The Company or any of its Subsidiaries may act in any such capacity.
- 4. INDENTURE. The Issuers issued the Notes under an Indenture dated as of September 23, 2003 (the "Indenture") between the Issuers and the Trustee. The terms of the Notes include those stated in the Indenture and those made part of the Indenture by reference to the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended (15 U.S. Code ss.ss. 77aaa-77bbbb). The Notes are subject to all such terms, and Holders are referred to the Indenture and such Act for a statement of such terms. To the extent any provision of this Note conflicts with the express provisions of the Indenture shall govern and be controlling.

#### 5. OPTIONAL REDEMPTION.

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i. Except as set forth in clause (b) of this paragraph 5, the Issuers shall not have the option to redeem the Notes pursuant to this paragraph 5 prior to September 15, 2008. Thereafter, the Issuers shall have the option to redeem the Notes, in whole or in part, at the redemption prices (expressed as percentages of principal amount) set forth below plus accrued and unpaid interest thereon, if any, to the applicable redemption date, if redeemed during the twelve-month period beginning on September 15 of the years indicated below:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
2008	105.125%
2009 and thereafter	100.000%

- ii. Notwithstanding the provisions of clause (a) of this Paragraph 5, at any time prior to September 15, 2006, the Issuers may on any one or more occasions redeem up to 35% of the original aggregate principal amount of the Notes (including the principal amount of any Additional Notes) issued under the Indenture on a pro rata basis (or as nearly pro rata as practicable), at a redemption price of 110.250% of the principal amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest to the redemption date, with the net cash proceeds of one or more Equity Offerings; provided that:
- (1) at least 65% of the original aggregate principal amount of Notes (including the principal amount of any Additional Notes) issued under the Indenture remains outstanding immediately after the occurrence of such redemption (excluding Notes held by the Company and its Subsidiaries); and
- (2) the redemption must occur within 60 days of the date of the closing of such Equity Offering.

#### 6. MANDATORY REDEMPTION.

Except as otherwise provided in Paragraph 7 below, the Issuers shall not be required to make mandatory redemption payments with respect to the Notes.

#### 7. REPURCHASE AT OPTION OF HOLDER.

- 1. If there is a Change of Control, the Issuers shall make an offer (a "Change of Control Offer") to repurchase all or any part (equal to \$1,000 or an integral multiple thereof) of each Holder's Notes at a purchase price equal to 101% of the aggregate principal amount thereof plus accrued and unpaid interest thereon, if any, to the date of purchase (the "Change of Control Payment"). Within 10 days following any Change of Control, the Issuers shall mail a notice to each Holder describing the transaction or transactions that constitute the Change of Control and offering to repurchase Notes on the Change of Control Payment Date specified in such notice, pursuant to the procedures required by the Indenture and described in such notice.
- 2. If the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary thereof consummates any Asset Sale, when the aggregate amount of Excess Proceeds exceeds \$25.0 million, the Issuers shall commence an offer (an "Asset Sale Offer") pursuant to Section 4.11 of the Indenture to all Holders of Notes and all holders of other Indebtedness that is of equal priority with the Notes containing provisions requiring offers to purchase or redeem with the proceeds of sales of assets to purchase the maximum principal amount of Notes and such other Indebtedness of equal priority that may be purchased out of the Excess Proceeds (which amount includes the entire amount of the Net Proceeds). The offer price in any Asset Sale Offer will be payable in cash and equal to 100% of principal amount plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the date of purchase. If any Excess Proceeds remain after consummation of an Asset Sale Offer, the Company may use such Excess Proceeds for any purpose not otherwise prohibited by the Ind enture. If the aggregate principal amount of Notes and such other Indebtedness of equal priority tendered into such Asset Sale Offer exceeds the amount of Excess Proceeds, the Trustee shall select the Notes and such other Indebtedness of equal priority to be purchased on a pro rata basis. Upon completion of each Asset Sale Offer, the amount of Excess Proceeds shall be reset at zero. Holders of Notes that are the subject of an offer to purchase will receive an Asset Sale Offer from the Issuers prior to any related purchase date and may elect to have such Notes purchased by completing the form entitled "Option of Holder to Elect Purchase" on the reverse of the Notes.
- 8. DENOMINATIONS, TRANSFER, EXCHANGE. The Notes are in registered form without coupons in denominations of \$1,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000. The transfer of Notes may be registered and Notes may be exchanged as provided in the Indenture. The Registrar and the Trustee may require a Holder, among other things, to furnish appropriate endorsements and transfer documents and the Issuers may require a Holder to pay any taxes and fees required by law or permitted by the Indenture. The Issuers need not exchange or register the transfer of any Note or portion of a Note selected for redemption, except for the unredeemed portion of any Note being redeemed in part. Also, the Issuers need not exchange or register the transfer of any Notes for a period of 15 days before a selection of Notes to be redeemed or during the period between a record date and the corresponding Interest Payment Date.
- 9. PERSONS DEEMED OWNERS. The registered Holder of a Note may be treated as its owner for all purposes.
- 10. AMENDMENT, SUPPLEMENT AND WAIVER. Subject to certain exceptions, the Indenture or the Notes may be amended or supplemented with the consent of the Holders of at least a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Notes then outstanding (including, without limitation, consents obtained in connection with a purchase of, or tender offer or exchange offer for, Notes), and any existing default or compliance with any provision of the Indenture or the Notes may be waived with the consent of the Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Notes then outstanding (including, without limitation, consents obtained in connection with a purchase of, or tender offer or exchange offer for, Notes). Without the consent of any Holder of a Note, the Issuers and the Trustee may amend or supplement the Indenture or the Notes to cure any ambiguity, defect or inconsistency, to provide for uncertificated Notes in addition to or in place of certificated Notes, to provide for the assumption o f an Issuers' obligations to Holders of Notes in the case of a merger or consolidation or substantially all of the assets of either Issuer to make any change that would provide any additional rights or benefits to the Holders of Notes or that does not adversely affect the legal rights under the Indenture of any such Holder, or to comply with the requirements of the SEC in order to effect or maintain the qualification of the Indenture under the TIA or otherwise as necessary to comply with applicable law.
- 11. DEFAULTS AND REMEDIES. Each of the following is an Event of Default: (i) default for 30 days in the payment when due of interest on the Notes, (ii) default in payment when due of the principal of or premium, if any, on the Notes, (iii) failure by the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to comply with Sections 4.16 and 5.01 of the Indenture, (iv) failure by the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries for 30 days after written notice thereof has been given to the Issuers by the Trustee or to the Issuers and the Trustee by the Holders of at least 25% of the principal amount of the Notes outstanding to comply with any of their other covenants or agreements in the Indenture, (v) default under any mortgage, indenture or instrument under which there may be issued or by which there may be secured or evidenced any Indebtedness for money borrowed by the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries (or the payment of which is guaranteed by the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries), whether such Indebtedness or guarantee now exists or is created after the date of the Indenture, if that default: (a) is caused by a failure to pay at final stated maturity the principal amount of such Indebtedness prior to the expiration of the grace period provided in such Indebtedness on the date of such default (a "Payment Default"); or (b) results in the acceleration of such Indebtedness prior to its express maturity, and, in each case, the principal amount of any such Indebtedness, together with the principal amount of any other such Indebtedness under which there has been a Payment Default or the maturity of which has been so accelerated, aggregates \$100 million or more, (vi) failure by the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to pay final judgments which are non-appealable aggregating in excess of \$100 million (net of applicable insurance which has not been denied in writing by the insurer), which judgments are not paid, discharged or stayed for a period of 60 days or (vii) ce rtain events of bankruptcy or insolvency with respect to the Company or any of its Significant Subsidiaries. In the case of an Event of Default arising from certain events of bankruptcy or insolvency with respect to the Company, all outstanding Notes will become due and payable without further action or notice. If any other Event of Default occurs and is continuing, the Trustee by notice to the Issuers or the Holders of at least 25% in principal amount of the then outstanding Notes by notice to the Issuers and the Trustee may declare all the Notes to be due and payable. Holders may not enforce the Indenture or the Notes except as provided in the Indenture. Subject to certain limitations, Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the then outstanding Notes may direct the Trustee in its exercise of any trust or power. The Trustee may withhold from Holders of the Notes notice of any continuing Default or Event of Default (except a Default or Event of Default relating to the payment of principal or interest) if it determines that withholding notice is in their interest. The Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Notes then outstanding by notice to the Trustee may on behalf of the Holders of all of the Notes waive any existing Default or Event of Default and its consequences under the Indenture except a continuing Default or Event of Default in the payment of interest on, or the principal of, the Notes. The Issuers are required to deliver to the Trustee annually a statement regarding compliance with the Indenture. Upon becoming aware of any Default or Event of Default, the Issuers are required to deliver to the Trustee a statement specifying such Default or Event of Default.
- 12. TRUSTEE DEALINGS WITH ISSUERS. The Trustee, in its individual or any other capacity, may make loans to, accept deposits from, and perform services for the Issuers or their Affiliates, and may otherwise deal with the Issuers or their Affiliates, as if it were not the Trustee.
- 13. NO RECOURSE AGAINST OTHERS. A director, officer, employee, incorporator, member or stockholder of either of the Issuers, as such, shall not have any liability for any obligations of the Issuers under the Notes or the Indenture or for any claim based on, in respect of, or by reason of, such obligations or their creation. Each Holder by accepting a Note waives and releases all such liability. The waiver and release are part of the consideration for the issuance of the Notes.
- 14. GOVERNING LAW. THE INTERNAL LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK SHALL GOVERN AND BE USED TO CONSTRUE THIS NOTE AND THE INDENTURE WITHOUT GIVING EFFECT TO THE APPLICABLE PRINCIPLES OF CONFLICTS OF LAWS TO THE EXTENT THAT THE APPLICATION OF THE LAWS OF ANOTHER JURISDICTION WOULD BE REQUIRED THEREBY. EACH OF THE PARTIES HERETO AND THE HOLDERS AGREE TO SUBMIT TO THE JURISDICTION OF THE COURTS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK IN ANY ACTION OR PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS NOTE.

15. AUTHENTICATION. This Note shall not be valid until authenticated by the manual signature of the Trustee or an authenticating agent. 16. ABBREVIATIONS. Customary abbreviations may be used in the name of a Holder or an assignee, such as: TEN COM (= tenants in common), TEN ENT (= tenants by the entireties), JT TEN (= joint tenants with right of survivorship and not as tenants in common), CUST (= Custodian), and U/G/M/A (= Uniform Gifts to Minors Act). 17. ADDITIONAL RIGHTS OF HOLDERS OF RESTRICTED GLOBAL NOTES AND RESTRICTED DEFINITIVE NOTES. In addition to the rights provided to Holders of Notes under the Indenture, Holders of Restricted Global Notes and Restricted Definitive Notes shall have all the rights set forth in any Registration Rights Agreement. 18. CUSIP NUMBERS. Pursuant to a recommendation promulgated by the Committee on Uniform Security Identification Procedures, the Issuers have caused CUSIP numbers to be printed on the Notes and the Trustee may use CUSIP numbers in notices of redemption as a convenience to Holders. No representation is made as to the accuracy of such numbers either as printed on the Notes or as contained in any notice of redemption and reliance may be placed only on the other identification numbers placed thereon. The Issuers will furnish to any Holder upon written request and without charge a copy of the Indenture and/or the Registration Rights Agreement. Requests may be made to: CCH IL LLC CCH II Capital Corp. c/o Charter Communications, Inc. 12405 Powerscourt Drive Suite 100 St. Louis, Missouri 63131 Attention: Secretary Telecopier No.: (314) 965-0555 ASSIGNMENT FORM To assign this Note, fill in the form below: (i) or (we) assign and transfer this Note to: \_ (Insert assignee's legal name) (Insert assignee's soc. sec. or tax I.D. no.) (Print or type assignee's name, address and zip code) to transfer this Note on the books of the Issuers. The agent may substitute another to act for him. and irrevocably appoint \_\_\_\_ Your Signature:\_\_ (Sign exactly as your name appears on the face of this Note) Signature Guarantee\*:\_ \* Participant in a recognized Signature Guarantee Medallion Program (or other signature guarantor acceptable to the Trustee). OPTION OF HOLDER TO ELECT PURCHASE If you want to elect to have this Note purchased by the Issuers pursuant to Section 4.11 or 4.16 of the Indenture, check the appropriate box below:

Section 4.11 Section 4.16

If you want to elect to have only part of the Note purchased by the Issuers pursuant to Section 4.11 or Section 4.16 of the Indenture, state the amount you elect to have purchased:

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Date:
Your Signature:
(Sign exactly as your name appears on the face of this Note)
Tax Identification No.:
Signature Guarantee*:

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- interest or Definitive Note is being transferred to a Person that the Transferor reasonably believed and believes is purchasing the beneficial interest or Definitive Note for its own account, or for one or more accounts with respect to which such Person exercises sole investment discretion, and such Person and each such account is a "qualified institutional buyer" within the meaning of Rule 144A in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A and such Transfer is in compliance with any applicable blue sky securities laws of any state of the United States. Upon consummation of the proposed Transfer in accor dance with the terms of the Indenture, the transferred beneficial interest or Definitive Note will be subject to the restrictions on transfer enumerated in the Private Placement Legend printed on the Rule 144A Global Note and/or the Definitive Note and in the Indenture and the Securities Act.
- 2. Check if Transferee will take delivery of a beneficial interest in the Regulation S Global Note or a Definitive Note pursuant to Regulation S. The Transfer is being effected pursuant to and in accordance with Rule 903 or Rule 904 under the Securities Act and, accordingly, the Transferor hereby further certifies that (i) the Transfer is not being made to a person in the United States and (x) at the time the buy order was originated, the Transferee was outside the United States or such Transferor and any Person acting on its behalf reasonably believed and believes that the Transferee was outside the United States or (y) the transaction was executed in, on or through the facilities of a designated offshore securities market and neither such Transferor nor any Person acting on its behalf knows that the transaction was prearranged with a buyer in the United States, (ii) no directed selling efforts have been made in contravention of the requirements of Rule 903(b) or Rule 904(b) of Regulat ion S under the Securities Act and (iii) the transaction is not part of a plan or scheme to evade the registration requirements of the Securities Act. Upon consummation of the proposed transfer in accordance with the terms of the Indenture, the transferred beneficial interest or Definitive Note will be subject to the restrictions on Transfer enumerated in the Private Placement Legend printed on the Regulation S Global Note and/or the Definitive Note and in the Indenture and the Securities Act. If the Transfer of the beneficial interest occurs prior to the expiration of the 40-day distribution compliance period set forth in Regulation S, the transferred beneficial interest will be held immediately thereafter through Euroclear or Clearstream.
- 3. Check and complete if Transferee will take delivery of a beneficial interest in a Definitive Note pursuant to any provision of the Securities Act other than Rule 144A or Regulation S. The Transfer is being effected in compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to beneficial interests in Restricted Global Notes and Restricted Definitive Notes and pursuant to and in accordance with the Securities Act and any applicable blue sky securities laws of any state of the United States, and accordingly the Transferor hereby further certifies that (check one):
  - i. such Transfer is being effected pursuant to and in accordance with Rule 144 under the Securities Act; or
  - ii. such Transfer is being effected to the Company or a subsidiary thereof; or
  - iii. such Transfer is being effected pursuant to an effective registration statement under the Securities Act and in compliance with the prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act; or

- iv. such Transfer is being effected to an Institutional Accredited Investor and pursuant to an exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act other than Rule 144A, Rule 144 or Rule 904, and the Transferor hereby further certifies that it has not engaged in any general solicitation within the meaning of Regulation D under the Securities Act and the Transfer complies with the transfer restrictions applicable to beneficial interests in a Restricted Global Note or Restricted Definitive Notes and the requirements of the exemption claimed, which certification is supported by (1) a certificate executed by the Transferee in the form of Exhibit D to the Indenture and (2) an Opinion of Counsel provided by the Transferor or the Transferee (a copy of which the Transferor has attached to this certification), to the effect that such Transfer is in compliance with the Securities Act. Upon consummation of the proposed transfer in accordance with the terms of the Indenture, the t ransferred beneficial interest or Definitive Note will be subject to the restrictions on transfer enumerated in the Private Placement Legend printed on the Restricted Global Note and/or the Definitive Notes and in the Indenture and the Securities Act.
- 4. Check if Transferee will take delivery of a beneficial interest in an Unrestricted Global Note or of an Unrestricted Definitive Note.
- Check if Transfer is pursuant to Rule 144. (i) The Transfer is being effected pursuant to and in accordance with Rule 144 under the Securities Act and in compliance with the transfer restrictions contained in the Indenture and any applicable blue sky securities laws of any state of the United States and (ii) the restrictions on transfer contained in the Indenture and the Private Placement Legend are not required in order to maintain compliance with the Securities Act. Upon consummation of the proposed Transfer in accordance with the terms of the Indenture, the transferred beneficial interest or Definitive Note will no longer be subject to the restrictions on transfer enumerated in the Private Placement Legend printed on the Restricted Global Notes, on Restricted Definitive Notes and in the Indenture.
- with the transfer restrictions contained in the Indenture and any applicable blue sky securities laws of any state of the United States and (ii) the restrictions on transfer contained in the Indenture and the Private Placement Legend are not required in order to maintain compliance with the Securities Act. Upon consummation of the proposed Transfer in accordance with the terms of the Indenture, the transferred beneficial interest or Definitive Note will no longer be subject to the restrictions on transfer enumerated in the Private Placement Legend printed on
- Securities Act other than Rule 144, Rule 903 or Rule 904 and in compliance with the transfer restrictions contained in the Indenture and any applicable blue sky securities laws of any State of the United States and (ii) the restrictions on transfer contained in the Indenture and the Private Placement Legend are not required in order to maintain compliance with the Securities Act. Upon consummation of the proposed Transfer in accordance with the terms of the Indenture, the transferred beneficial interest or Definitive Note will not be subject to the restrictions on transfer enumerated in the Private Placement Legend printed on the Restricted Global Notes or Restricted Definitive Notes and in the Indenture.

Check if Transfer is Pursuant to Regulation S. (i) The Transfer is being effected pursuant to and in accordance with Rule 903 or Rule 904 under the Securities Act and in compliance the Restricted Global Notes, on Restricted Definitive Notes and in the Indenture. Check if Transfer is Pursuant to Other Exemption. (i) The Transfer is being effected pursuant to and in compliance with an exemption from the registration requirements of the This certificate and the statements contained herein are made for your benefit and the benefit of the Issuers. [Insert Name of Transferor] BvName: Title: Dated: ANNEX A TO CERTIFICATE OF TRANSFER 1. The Transferor owns and proposes to transfer the following: [CHECK ONE OF (a) OR (b)] (a) a beneficial interest in the: (i) Rule 144A Global Note (CUSIP \_\_\_\_ ), or (ii) Regulation S Global Note (CUSIP \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_), or (b) a Restricted Definitive Note. 2. After the Transfer the Transferee will hold: [CHECK ONE] (a) a beneficial interest in the: (i) Rule 144A Global Note (CUSIP \_\_\_\_\_), or (ii) Regulation S Global Note (CUSIP \_\_\_\_\_), or (iii) Unrestricted Global Note (CUSIP \_\_\_\_\_ (b) a Restricted Definitive Note; or (c) an Unrestricted Definitive Note. in accordance with the terms of the Indenture.

CCH II, LLC CCH II Capital Corp. c/o Charter Communications, Inc. 12405 Powerscourt Drive, Suite 100 St. Louis, Missouri 63131

Wells Fargo Bank, National Association

Corporate Trust Services MAC N9303-110 Sixth and Marquette Avenue Minneapolis, MN 55479 Telecopier No.: 612-667-2160

Attention: Michael Lechner and Michael Slade

Re: 10.25% Senior Notes due 2010
(CUSIP 12502C AE 1)
Reference is hereby made to the Indenture, dated as of September 23, 2003 (the "Indenture"), among CCH II, LLC (the "Company") and CCH II Capital Corp. ("Capital Corp" and, together with the Company, the "Issuers"), and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as trustee. Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings given to them in the Indenture.
(the "Owner") owns and proposes to exchange the Note[s] or interest in such Note[s] specified herein, in the principal amount of in such Note[s] or interests (the "Exchange"). In connection with the Exchange, the Owner hereby certifies that:
1. Exchange of Restricted Definitive Notes or Beneficial Interests in a Restricted Global Note for Unrestricted Definitive Notes or Beneficial Interests in an Unrestricted Global Note
1. Check if Exchange is from beneficial interest in a Restricted Global Note to beneficial interest in an Unrestricted Global Note. In connection with the Exchange of the Owner's beneficial interest in a Restricted Global Note for a beneficial interest in an Unrestricted Global Note in an equal principal amount, the Owner hereby certifies (i) the beneficial interest is being acquired for the Owner's own account without transfer, (ii) such Exchange has been effected in compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to the Global Notes and pursuant to and in accordance with the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), (iii) the restrictions on transfer contained in the Indenture and the Private Placement Legend are not required in order to maintain compliance with the Securities Act and (iv) the beneficial interest in an Unrestricted Global Note is being acquired in compliance with any applicable blue sky securities laws of any state of the United States. If the Exchange is from beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note to beneficial interest in an Unrestricted Global Note, the Owner further certifies that it is either (x) a non-U.S. Person to whom Notes would be transferred in accordance with Regulation S or (y) a U.S. Person who purchased Notes in a transaction that did not require registration under the Securities Act.
2. Check if Exchange is from beneficial interest in a Restricted Global Note to Unrestricted Definitive Note. In connection with the Exchange of the Owner's beneficial interest in a Restricted Global Note for an Unrestricted Definitive Note, the Owner hereby certifies (i) the Definitive Note is being acquired for the Owner's own account without transfer, (ii) such Exchange has been effected in compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to the Restricted Global Notes and pursuant to and in accordance with the Securities Act, (iii) the restrictions on transfer contained in the Indenture and the Private Placement Legend are not required in order to maintain compliance with the Securities Act and (iv) the Definitive Note is being acquired in compliance with any applicable blue sky securities laws of any state of the United States.
3. Check if Exchange is from Restricted Definitive Note to beneficial interest in an Unrestricted Global Note. In connection with the Owner's Exchange of a Restricted Definitive Note for a beneficial interest in an Unrestricted Global Note, the Owner hereby certifies (i) the beneficial interest is being acquired for the Owner's own account without transfer, (ii) such Exchange has been effected in compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to Restricted Definitive Notes and pursuant to and in accordance with the Securities Act, (iii) the restrictions on transfer contained in the Indenture and the Private Placement Legend are not required in order to maintain compliance with the Securities Act and (iv) the beneficial interest is being acquired in compliance with any applicable blue sky securities laws of any state of the United States. If the Exchange is from beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note to an Unrestricted Definitive Note, the Owner further certifies that it is either (x) a non-U.S. Person to whom Notes could be transferred in accordance with Regulation S or (y) a U.S. Person who purchased Notes in a transaction that did not require registration under the Securities Act.
4. Check if Exchange is from Restricted Definitive Note to Unrestricted Definitive Note. In connection with the Owner's Exchange of a Restricted Definitive Note for an Unrestricted Definitive Note, the Owner hereby certifies (i) the Unrestricted Definitive Note is being acquired for the Owner's own account without transfer, (ii) such Exchange has been effected in compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to Restricted Definitive Notes and pursuant to and in accordance with the Securities Act, (iii) the restrictions on transfer contained in the Indenture and the Private Placement Legend are not required in order to maintain compliance with the Securities Act and (iv) the Unrestricted Definitive Note is being acquired in compliance with any applicable blue sky securities laws of any state of the United States.
(i) Exchange of Restricted Definitive Notes or Beneficial Interests in Restricted Global Notes for Restricted Definitive Notes or Beneficial Interests in Restricted Global Notes
(ii)Check if Exchange is from beneficial interest in a Restricted Global Note to Restricted Definitive Note. In connection with the Exchange of the Owner's beneficial interest in a Restricted Global Note for a Restricted Definitive Note is being acquired for the Owner's own account without transfer. If the Exchange is from beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Note to a Restricted Definitive Note, the Owner further certifies that it is either (x) a non-U.S. Person to whom Notes could be transferred in accordance with Regulation S or (y) a U.S. Person who purchased Notes in a transaction that did not require registration under the Securities Act. Upon consummation of the proposed Exchange in accordance with the terms of the Indenture, the Restricted Definitive Note issued will continue to be subject to the restrictions on transfer enumerated in the Private Placement Legend printed on the Re stricted Definitive Note and in the Indenture and the Securities Act.
(iii)Check if Exchange is from Restricted Definitive Note to beneficial interest in a Restricted Global Note. In connection with the Exchange of the Owner's Restricted Definitive Note for a beneficial interest in the [CHECK ONE] Rule 144A Global Note or Regulation S Global Note with an equal principal amount, the Owner hereby certifies (i) the beneficial interest is being acquired for the Owner's own account without transfer and (ii) such Exchange has been effected in compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to the Restricted Global Notes and pursuant to and in accordance with the Securities Act, and in compliance with any applicable blue sky securities laws of any state of the United States. Upon consummation of the proposed Exchange in accordance with the terms of the Indenture, the beneficial interest issued will be subject to the restrictions on transfer enumerated in the Private Placement Legend printed on the relevant Restricted Global Note and in the Indenture and the Se curities Act.
This certificate and the statements contained herein are made for your benefit and the benefit of the Issuers.
[Insert Name of Transferor]
By
Name:
Title:
Dated:

#### FORM OF CERTIFICATE FROM

#### ACQUIRING INSTITUTIONAL ACCREDITED INVESTOR

CCH II, LLC CCH II Capital Corp. c/o Charter Communications, Inc. 12405 Powerscourt Drive, Suite 100 St. Louis, Missouri 63131

Wells Fargo Bank, National Association

Corporate Trust Services
MAC N9303-110
Sixth and Marquette Avenue
Minneapolis, MN 55479
Telecopier No.: 612-667-2160
Attention: Michael Lechner and Michael Slade

Re: 10.25% Senior Notes due 2010

Reference is hereby made to the Indenture, dated as of September 23, 2003 (the "Indenture"), among CCH II, LLC (the "Company") and CCH II Capital Corp. ("Capital Corp" and, together with the Company, the "Issuers"), and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as trustee. Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings given to them in the Indenture.

In connection with our proposed purchase of \$\_\_\_\_\_\_ aggregate principal amount of:

- 1. a beneficial interest in a Global Note. or
- 2. a Definitive Note,

[Insert Name of Transferor]

we confirm that:

- 1. We understand that any subsequent transfer of the Notes or any interest therein is subject to certain restrictions and conditions set forth in the Indenture and the undersigned agrees to be bound by, and not to resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Notes or any interest therein except in compliance with, such restrictions and conditions and the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act").
- 2. We understand that the offer and sale of the Notes have not been registered under the Securities Act, and that the Notes and any interest therein may not be offered or sold except as permitted in the following sentence. We agree, on our own behalf and on behalf of any accounts for which we are acting as hereinafter stated, that if we should sell the Notes or any interest therein, we will do so only (a) to the Company or any subsidiary thereof, (b) in accordance with Rule 144A under the Securities Act to a "qualified institutional buyer" (as defined therein), (c) to an institutional "accredited investor" (as defined below) that, prior to such transfer, furnishes (or has furnished on its behalf by a U.S. broker-dealer) to you and to the Company a signed letter substantially in the form of this letter and an Opinion of Counsel in form reasonably acceptable to the Company to the effect that such transfer is in compliance with the Securities Act, (d) outside the United States in accordance with Rule 904 of Regulation S under the Securities Act, (e) pursuant to the provisions of Rule 144(k) under the Securities Act or (f) pursuant to an effective registration statement under the Securities Act, and we further agree to provide to any person purchasing the Definitive Note or beneficial interest in a Global Note from us in a transaction meeting the requirements of clauses (a) through (e) of this paragraph a notice advising such purchaser that resales thereof are restricted as stated herein.
- 3. We understand that, on any proposed resale of the Notes or beneficial interest therein, we will be required to furnish to you and the Issuers such certifications, legal opinions and other information as you and the Issuers may reasonably require to confirm that the proposed sale complies with the foregoing restrictions. We further understand that the Notes purchased by us will bear a legend to the foregoing effect.
- 4. We are an institutional "accredited investor" (as defined in Rule 501(a)(1), (2), (3) or (7) of Regulation D under the Securities Act) and have such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of our investment in the Notes, and we and any accounts for which we are acting are each able to bear the economic risk of our or its investment
- 5. We are acquiring the Notes or beneficial interest therein purchased by us for our own account or for one or more accounts (each of which is an institutional "accredited investor") as to each of which we exercise sole investment discretion.

You and the Issuers are entitled to rely upon this letter and are irrevocably authorized to produce this letter or a copy to any interested party in any administrative or legal proceedings or official inquiry with respect to the matters covered hereby.

Ву:	 _		
Name:			
Title:			
Dated:			

#### CCH II, LLC CCH II CAPITAL CORP.

#### \$1.6 Billion 10.25% Senior Notes due 2010

#### **Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement**

September 23, 2003

#### TO THE PURCHASERS (AS DEFINED HEREIN)

#### Ladies and Gentlemen:

CCH II, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (the "Company"), and CCH II Capital Corp., a Delaware corporation ("CCH II Capital" and, together with the Company, the "Issuers"), have issued and sold, directly or indirectly, approximately \$1.6 billion aggregate principal amount of 10.25% Senior Notes due 2010 to the Purchasers. As an inducement to the Purchasers to acquire the Notes, the Issuers agree with the Purchasers for the benefit of holders (as defined herein) from time to time of the Registrable Securities (as defined herein) as follows:

- 1. Certain Definitions. For purposes of this Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement, the following terms shall have the following respective meanings:
- "Base Interest" shall mean the interest that would otherwise accrue on the Notes under the terms thereof and the Indenture, without giving effect to the provisions of this Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement.

The term "broker-dealer" shall mean any broker or dealer registered with the Commission under the Exchange Act.

"Closing Date" shall mean September 23, 2003.

"Commission" shall mean the United States Securities and Exchange Commission, or any other federal agency at the time administering the Exchange Act or the Securities Act, whichever is the relevant statute for the particular purpose.

"Effective Time," in the case of (i) an Exchange Offer Registration, shall mean the time and date as of which the Commission declares the Exchange Offer Registration Statement effective or as of which the Exchange Offer Registration Statement otherwise becomes effective and (ii) a Shelf Registration, shall mean the time and date as of which the Commission declares the Shelf Registration Statement effective or as of which the Shelf Registration Statement otherwise becomes effective.

"Electing Holder" shall mean any holder of Registrable Securities that has returned a completed and signed Notice and Questionnaire to the Issuers in accordance with Section 3(d)(ii) or 3(d)(iii) hereof.

"Exchange Act" shall mean the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, or any successor thereto, and the rules, regulations and forms promulgated thereunder, all as the same shall be amended from time to time.

"Exchange Agreements" shall mean one or more Exchange Agreements entered into by the Purchasers and the Company pursuant to which the Purchasers acquired the Notes.

"Exchange Notes" shall have the meaning assigned thereto in Section 2(a) hereof.

"Exchange Offer" shall have the meaning assigned thereto in Section 2(a) hereof.

"Exchange Offer Registration" shall have the meaning assigned thereto in Section 3(c) hereof.

 $"Exchange\ Offer\ Registration\ Statement"\ shall\ have\ the\ meaning\ assigned\ thereto\ in\ Section\ 2(a)\ hereof.$ 

The term "holder" shall mean, unless the context otherwise indicates, each of the Purchasers and other persons who acquire Registrable Securities from time to time (including any successors or assigns), in each case for so long as such person is a registered holder of any Registrable Securities.

"Indenture" shall mean the Indenture governing the Notes, dated as of September 23, 2003, between the Issuers and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Trustee, as the same shall be amended from time to time.

"Notes" shall mean, collectively, the 10.25% Senior Notes due 2010 of the Issuers issued and sold to the Purchasers pursuant to the Exchange Agreements and the Purchase Agreements, and Notes issued in exchange therefor or in lieu thereof pursuant to the Indenture.

"Notice and Questionnaire" means a Notice of Registration Statement and Selling Securityholder Questionnaire substantially in the form of Exhibit A hereto.

The term "person" shall mean a corporation, association, partnership, limited liability company, organization, business, individual, government or political subdivision thereof or governmental agency.

"Purchase Agreements" shall mean one or more CCH II Note Purchase Agreements entered into by the persons identified as "purchasers" therein and the Company pursuant to which the purchasers acquired the Notes.

"Purchasers" shall mean, collectively, the "Holders" referred to in the Exchange Agreements that have executed and delivered a signature page to this Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement and the persons identified as "purchasers" in the Purchase Agreements that have executed and delivered a signature page to this Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement.

"Registrable Securities" shall mean the Notes; provided, however, that a Note shall cease to be a Registrable Security when (i) in the circumstances contemplated by Section 2(a) hereof, such Note has been exchanged for an Exchange Note in an Exchange Offer as contemplated in Section 2(a) hereof (provided that, unless clause (ii) of this definition is applicable, any Exchange Note that, pursuant to the penultimate sentence of Section 2(a), is included in a prospectus for use in connection with resales by broker-dealers shall be deemed to be a Registrable Security with respect to Sections 2(a), 5, 6 and 9 hereof until resale of such Registrable Security has been effected within the 180-day period referred to in Section 2(a)(y)); (ii) in the circumstances contemplated by Section 2(b) hereof, a Shelf Registration Statement registering such Note under the Securities Act has been declared or becomes effective and such Note has been sold or otherwise transferred by the holder thereof pursuant to and in a manner contemplated by such effective Shelf Registration Statement; (iii) such Note is sold pursuant to Rule 144 under circumstances in which any legend borne by such Note relating to restrictions on transferability thereof, under the Securities Act or otherwise, is removed by the Issuers or pursuant to the Indenture; (iv) such Registrable Security is eligible to be sold pursuant to paragraph (k) of Rule 144; or (v) such Registrable Security shall cease to be outstanding. Notwithstanding the foregoing, an Exchange Note shall also be deemed to be a Registrable Security if, at the time of issuance, it is not transferable without restriction under the Securities Act.

"Registration Default" shall have the meaning assigned thereto in Section 2(c) hereof.

"Registration Default Period" shall have the meaning assigned thereto in Section 2(c) hereof.

"Registration Expenses" shall have the meaning assigned thereto in Section 4 hereof.

"Resale Period" shall have the meaning assigned thereto in Section 2(a) hereof.

"Restricted Holder" shall mean (i) a holder that is an affiliate of the Issuers within the meaning of Rule 405, (ii) a holder who acquires Exchange Notes outside the ordinary course of such holder's business, (iii) a holder who has arrangements or understandings with any person to participate in the Exchange Offer for the purpose of distributing

Exchange Notes or (iv) a holder that is a broker-dealer, but only with respect to Notes received by such broker-dealer directly from the Issuers pursuant to the Exchange Agreements or the Purchase Agreements, or Exchange Notes received by such broker-dealer in exchange therefor.

"Rule 144," "Rule 405" and "Rule 415" shall mean, in each case, such rule promulgated under the Securities Act (or any successor provision), as the same shall be amended from time to time.

"Securities Act" shall mean the Securities Act of 1933, or any successor thereto, and the rules, regulations and forms promulgated thereunder, all as the same shall be amended from time to time.

"Shelf Registration" shall have the meaning assigned thereto in Section 2(b) hereof.

"Shelf Registration Statement" shall have the meaning assigned thereto in Section 2(b) hereof.

"Special Interest" shall have the meaning assigned thereto in Section 2(c) hereof.

"Trust Indenture Act" shall mean the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, or any successor thereto, and the rules, regulations and forms promulgated thereunder, all as the same shall be amended from time to time.

Unless the context otherwise requires, any reference herein to a "Section" or "clause" refers to a Section or clause, as the case may be, of this Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement, and the words "herein," "hereof" and "hereunder" and other words of similar import refer to this Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement as a whole and not to any particular Section or other subdivision.

#### 2. Registration Under the Securities Act.

- a. Except as set forth in Section 2(b) below, the Issuers agree to file under the Securities Act, as soon as practicable, but no later than 90 days after the Closing Date, a registration statement relating to an offer to exchange (such registration statement, the "Exchange Offer Registration Statement", and such offer, the "Exchange Offer") any and all of the Notes for a like aggregate principal amount of notes issued by the Issuers, which notes are substantially identical in all material respects to the Notes (and are entitled to the benefits of the Indenture which has been qualified under the Trust Indenture Act), except that they have been registered pursuant to an effective registration statement under the Securities Act and do not contain provisions for the additional interest contemplated in Section 2(c) below (such notes hereinafter called "Exchange Notes"). The Issuers agree to use their reasonable best efforts to cause the Exchange Offer R egistration Statement to become or be declared effective under the Securities Act as soon as practicable, but no later than 210 days after the Closing Date. The Exchange Offer will be registered under the Securities Act on the appropriate form and will comply with the Exchange Act. The Issuers further agree to use their reasonable best efforts to complete the Exchange Offer promptly (but no later than 35 business days or longer, if required by the federal securities laws, after such registration statement has become effective), hold the Exchange Offer open for at least 20 business days (calculated in accordance with the Exchange Act) and exchange Exchange Notes for all Registrable Securities that have been properly tendered and not withdrawn on or prior to the expiration of the Exchange Offer. The Exchange Offer will be deemed to have been "completed" only if the Exchange Notes received by holders, other than Restricted Holders, in the Exchange Offer in exchange for Registrable Securities are, upon receipt, transferable by each such holder without restriction under the Securities Act and the Exchange Act and without material restrictions under the blue sky or securities laws of a substantial majority of the States of the United States of America. The Exchange Offer shall be deemed to have been completed upon the earlier to occur of (i) the Issuers having exchanged the Exchange Notes for all outstanding Registrable Securities pursuant to the Exchange Offer and (ii) the Issuers having exchanged, pursuant to the Exchange Offer, Exchange Notes for all Registrable Securities that have been properly tendered and not withdrawn before the expiration of the Exchange Offer. The Issuers agree (x) to include in the Exchange Offer Registration Statement a prospectus for use in any resales by any holder of Exchange Notes that is a broker-dealer and (y) to keep such Exchange Offer Registration Statement effective for a period (the "Resale Period") beginning when Exchange Notes are first issued in the Exchange Offer and ending upon the earlier of the expiration of the 180th day after the Exchange Offer has been completed or such time as such broker-dealers no longer own any Registrable Securities. With respect to such Exchange Offer Registration Statement, such holders shall have the benefit of the rights of indemnification and contribution set forth in Sections 6(a), (c), (d) and (e) hereof.
- b. If (i) on or prior to the time the Exchange Offer is completed, existing law or Commission policy or interpretations are changed such that the Exchange Notes received by holders, other than Restricted Holders, in the Exchange Offer in exchange for Registrable Securities are not or would not be, upon receipt, transferable by each such holder without restriction under the Securities Act, (ii) the Exchange Offer has not been completed within 240 days following the Closing Date, (iii) the Exchange Offer is not available to any holder of the Notes, or the Exchange Notes received by any Restricted Holder in the Exchange Offer are not transferable without restriction under the Securities Act, or (iv) at the time the Exchange Offer is completed, any Notes are held by a Restricted Holder, the Issuers shall, in lieu of (or, in the case of clause (iii), in addition to) conducting the Exchange Offer contemplated by Section 2(a), file under the Securities Act, on or prior to 30 business days after the time such obligation to file arises, a "shelf" registration statement providing for the registration of, and the sale on a continuous or delayed basis by the holders of, all of the Registrable Securities, pursuant to Rule 415 or any similar rule that may be adopted by the Commission (such filing, the "Shelf Registration" and such registration statement, the "Shelf Registration Statement"). The Issuers agree to use their reasonable best efforts (x) to cause the Shelf Registration Statement to become or be declared effective by the Commission no later than 90 days after such obligation to file arises (provided that if at the time the transactions contemplated by the Exchange Agreements are completed, any Notes are issued to a Restricted Holder, the Issuers shall use their reasonable best efforts to cause the Shelf Registration Statement to become or be declared effective by the Commission no later than the date on which the Exchange Offer is completed) and to keep such Shelf Registration Statement continuously effective for a period ending on the earlier of (i) the second anniversary of the Effective Time or (ii) such time as there are no longer any Registrable Securities outstanding; provided, however, that no holder shall be entitled to be named as a selling securityholder in the Shelf Registration Statement or to use the prospectus forming a part thereof for resales of Registrable Securities unless such holder is an Electing Holder, and (y) after the Effective Time of the Shelf Registration Statement, promptly upon the request of any holder of Registrable Securities that is not then an Electing Holder, to take any action reasonably necessary to enable such holder to use the prospectus forming a part thereof for resales of Registrable Securities, including, without limitation, any action necessary to identify such holder as a selling securityholder in the Shelf Registration Statement, provided, however, that nothing in this clause (y) shall relieve any such holder of the obligation to return a completed and signed Notice and Questionnaire to the Issuers in accordance with Section 3(d)(iii) hereof. The Issuers further agree to supplement or make amendments to the Shelf Registration Statement, as and when required by the rules, regulations or instructions applicable to the registration form used by the Issuers for such Shelf Registration Statement or by the Securities Act for shelf registration, and the Issuers agree to furnish to each Electing Holder copies of any such supplement or amendment prior to its being used or promptly following its filing with the Commission.
- c. In the event that (i) the Issuers have not filed the Exchange Offer Registration Statement or Shelf Registration Statement on or before the date on which such registration statement is required to be filed pursuant to Section 2(a) or 2(b), respectively, or (ii) such Exchange Offer Registration Statement or Shelf Registration Statement has not become effective or been declared effective by the Commission on or before the date on which such registration statement is required to become or be declared effective pursuant to Section 2(a) or 2(b), respectively, or (iii) the Exchange Offer has not been completed within 35 business days after the initial effective date of the Exchange Offer Registration Statement relating to the Exchange Offer (if the Exchange Offer is then required to be made) or (iv) any Exchange Offer Registration Statement or Shelf Registration Statement required by Section 2(a) or 2(b) hereof is filed and becomes or is declared effective but shall thereafter either be withdrawn by the Issuers or shall become subject to an effective stop order issued pursuant to Section 8(d) of the Securities Act suspending the effectiveness of such registration statement (except as specifically permitted herein) without being succeeded immediately by an additional registration statement filed and declared effective (each such event referred to in clauses (i) through (iv), a "Registration Default" and each period during which a Registration Default has occurred and is continuing, a "Registration Default Period"), then, as liquidated damages for such Registration Default, in addition to the provisions of Section 9(b), special interest ("Special Interest"), in addition to the Base Interest, shall accrue on the aggregate principal amount of the outstanding Notes at a per annum rate of 0.25% for the first 90 days of the Registration Default Period, at a per annum rate of 0.75% for the third 90 days of the Registration Default Period and at a per annum rate of 1.0% thereafter for the remaining portion of the Registrat
- d. The Issuers shall use their reasonable best efforts to take all actions necessary or advisable to be taken by them to ensure that the transactions contemplated herein are effected as so contemplated in Section 2(a) or 2(b) hereof.
- e. Any reference herein to a registration statement as of any time shall be deemed to include any document incorporated, or deemed to be incorporated, therein by reference as of such time and any reference herein to any post-effective amendment to a registration statement as of any time shall be deemed to include any document incorporated, or deemed to be incorporated, therein by reference as of such time.

#### 3. Registration Procedures.

- a. At or before the Effective Time of the Exchange Offer or the Shelf Registration, as the case may be, the Issuers shall cause the Indenture to be qualified under the Trust Indenture Act.
- b. In the event that such qualification would require the appointment of a new trustee under the Indenture, the Issuers shall appoint a new trustee thereunder pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Indenture.
- c. In connection with the Issuers' obligations with respect to the registration of Exchange Notes as contemplated by Section 2(a) (the "Exchange Offer Registration"), if applicable, the Issuers shall, as soon as practicable (or as otherwise specified):
  - i. prepare and file with the Commission, as soon as practicable but no later than 90 days after the Closing Date, an Exchange Offer Registration Statement on any form which may be utilized by the Issuers and which shall permit the Exchange Offer and resales of Exchange Notes by broker-dealers during the Resale Period to be effected as contemplated by Section 2(a), and use their reasonable best efforts to cause such Exchange Offer Registration Statement to become or be declared effective as soon as practicable thereafter, but no later than 210 days after the Closing Date;
  - ii. as soon as practicable prepare and file with the Commission such amendments and supplements to such Exchange Offer Registration Statement and the prospectus included therein as may be necessary to effect and maintain the effectiveness of such Exchange Offer Registration Statement for the periods and purposes contemplated in Section 2(a) hereof and as may be required by the applicable rules and regulations of the Commission and the instructions applicable to the form of such Exchange Offer Registration Statement, and promptly provide each broker-dealer holding Exchange Notes with such number of copies of the prospectus included therein (as then amended or supplemented), in conformity in all material respects with the requirements of the Securities Act and the Trust Indenture Act, as such broker-dealer reasonably may request prior to the expiration of the Resale Period, for use in connection with resales of Exchange Notes;
  - iii. promptly notify each broker-dealer holding Exchange Notes that has requested or received copies of the prospectus included in such Exchange Offer Registration Statement, and confirm such advice in writing, (A) when such Exchange Offer Registration Statement or the prospectus included therein or any prospectus amendment or supplement or post-effective amendment has been filed, and, with respect to such Exchange Offer Registration Statement or any post-effective amendment, when the same has become effective, (B) of any comments by the Commission and by the blue sky or securities commissioner or regulator of any state with respect thereto, or any request by the Commission for amendments or supplements to such Exchange Offer Registration Statement or prospectus or for additional information, (C) of the issuance by the Commission of any stop order suspending the effectiveness of such Exchange Offer Registration Statement or the initiation or, to the knowledge of the Issuers, threatening of any proceedings for that purpose, (D) if at any time the representations and warranties of the Issuers contemplated by Section 5 hereof cease to be true and correct in all material respects, (E) of the receipt by the Issuers of any notification with respect to the suspension of the qualification of the Exchange Notes for sale in any jurisdiction or the initiation or, to the knowledge of the Issuers, threatening of any proceeding for such purpose, or (F) at any time during the Resale Period when a prospectus is required to be delivered under the Securities Act, that such Exchange Offer Registration Statement, prospectus, prospectus amendment or supplement or post-effective amendment does not conform in all material respects to the applicable requirements of the Securities Act and the Trust Indenture Act, or contains an untrue statement of a material fact or omits to state any material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading in light of the circumstances then existing;
  - iv. in the event that the Issuers would be required, pursuant to Section 3(c)(iii)(F) above, to notify any such broker-dealer holding Exchange Notes, the Issuers shall, as promptly as practicable, but in any event within ten days, prepare and furnish to each such holder a reasonable number of copies of a prospectus supplemented or amended so that, as thereafter delivered to purchasers of such Exchange Notes during the Resale Period, such prospectus conforms in all material respects to the applicable requirements of the Securities Act and the Trust Indenture Act and shall not contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading in light of the circumstances then existing;
  - v. use their reasonable best efforts to obtain the withdrawal of any order suspending the effectiveness of such Exchange Offer Registration Statement or any post-effective amendment thereto as soon as practicable;
  - vi. use their reasonable best efforts to (A) register or qualify the Exchange Notes under the securities laws or blue sky laws of such jurisdictions as are contemplated by Section 2(a) no later than the commencement of the Exchange Offer, (B) keep such registrations or qualifications in effect and comply with such laws so as to permit the continuance of offers, sales and dealings therein in such jurisdictions until the expiration of the Resale Period and (C) take any and all other actions as may be reasonably necessary or advisable to enable each broker-dealer holding Exchange Notes to consummate the disposition thereof in such jurisdictions; provided, however, that neither of the Issuers shall be required for any such purpose to (1) qualify as a foreign corporation or limited liability company, as the case may be, in any jurisdiction wherein it would not otherwise be required to qualify but for the requirements of this Section 3(c)(vi), (2) consent to g eneral service of process in any such jurisdiction or (3) make any changes to its certificate of incorporation or by-laws (or other organizational document) or any agreement between it and holders of its ownership interests;
  - vii. use their reasonable best efforts to obtain the consent or approval of each governmental agency or authority, whether federal, state or local, which may be required to effect the Exchange Offer Registration, the Exchange Offer and the offering and sale of Exchange Notes by broker-dealers during the Resale Period:
  - viii. provide a CUSIP number for all Exchange Notes, not later than the applicable Effective Time;
  - ix. comply with all applicable rules and regulations of the Commission, and make generally available to their securityholders as soon as practicable, but no later than eighteen months after the effective date of such Exchange Offer Registration Statement, an earning statement of the Company and its subsidiaries complying with Section 11(a) of the Securities Act (including, at the option of the Company, Rule 158 thereunder);
  - x. mail to each holder a copy of the prospectus forming part of the Exchange Offer Registration Statement, together with an appropriate letter of transmittal and related documents;
  - xi. utilize the services of a depositary for the Exchange Offer with an address in the Borough of Manhattan in New York City, which may be the Trustee, any new trustee under the Indenture, or an affiliate of any of them;
  - xii. permit holders to withdraw tendered Notes at any time prior to the close of business, New York time, on the last business day on which the Exchange Offer is open; and
  - xiii. prior to the Effective Time, provide a supplemental letter to the Commission (i) stating that the Issuers are conducting the Exchange Offer in reliance on the position of the Commission in Exxon Capital Holdings Corporation (pub. avail. May 13, 1988), Morgan Stanley and Co., Inc. (pub. avail. June 5, 1991); and (ii) including a representation that the Issuers have not entered into any arrangement or understanding with any person to distribute the Exchange Notes to be received in the Exchange Offer and that, to the best of the Issuers' information and belief, each holder participating in the Exchange Offer is acquiring the Exchange Notes in the ordinary course of business and has no arrangement or understanding with any person to participate in the distribution of the Exchange Notes

In addition, as soon as practicable after the close of the Exchange Offer, the Issuers shall (i) accept for exchange all Registrable Securities tendered and not validly withdrawn pursuant to the Exchange Offer; (ii) deliver to the Trustee for cancellation all Notes so accepted for exchange; and (iii) cause the Trustee promptly to authenticate and deliver to each holder a principal amount of Exchange Notes equal to the principal amount of the Registrable Securities of such Holder so accepted for exchange.

- $d.\ In\ connection\ with\ the\ Issuers'\ obligations\ with\ respect\ to\ the\ Shelf\ Registration,\ if\ applicable,\ the\ Issuers\ shall,\ as\ soon\ as\ practicable\ (or\ as\ otherwise\ specified):$ 
  - i. prepare and file with the Commission within the time periods specified in Section 2(b), a Shelf Registration Statement on any form which may be utilized by the Issuers and which shall register all of the Registrable Securities for resale by the holders thereof in accordance with such method or methods of disposition as may be specified by such of the holders as, from time to time, may be Electing Holders, and use their reasonable best efforts to cause such Shelf Registration Statement to become or be declared effective within the time periods specified in Section 2(b);
    - ii. not less than 30 calendar days prior to the Effective Time of the Shelf Registration Statement, mail the Notice and Questionnaire to the holders of Registrable Securities; no holder shall be entitled to be named as a selling securityholder in the Shelf Registration Statement as of the Effective Time, and no holder shall be entitled to use the prospectus forming a part thereof for resales of Registrable Securities at any time, unless such holder has returned a completed and signed Notice and Questionnaire to the Issuers by the deadline for response set forth therein; provided, however, that holders of Registrable Securities shall have at least 28 calendar days from the date on which the Notice and Questionnaire is first mailed to such holders to return a completed and signed Notice and Questionnaire to the Issuers;
    - iii. upon the request of any holder of Registrable Securities that is not then an Electing Holder, promptly send a Notice and Questionnaire to such holder; provided that the Issuers shall not be required to take any action to name such holder as a selling securityholder in the Shelf Registration Statement or to enable such holder to use the prospectus forming a part thereof for resales of Registrable Securities until such holder has returned a completed and signed Notice and Questionnaire to the Issuers;
    - iv. as soon as practicable prepare and file with the Commission such amendments and supplements to such Shelf Registration Statement and the prospectus included therein as may be necessary to effect and maintain the effectiveness of such Shelf Registration Statement for the period specified in Section 2(b)

hereof and as may be required by the applicable rules and regulations of the Commission and the instructions applicable to the form of such Shelf Registration Statement, and furnish to the Electing Holders copies of any such supplement or amendment simultaneously with or prior to its being used or filed with the Commission;

- v. comply with the provisions of the Securities Act with respect to the disposition of all of the Registrable Securities covered by such Shelf Registration Statement in accordance with the intended methods of disposition by the Electing Holders provided for in such Shelf Registration Statement;
- vi. provide (A) the Electing Holders, (B) the underwriters (which term, for purposes of this Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement, shall include a person deemed to be an underwriter within the meaning of Section 2(a)(11) of the Securities Act), if any, thereof, (C) any sales or placement agent therefor, (D) counsel for any such underwriter or agent and (E) not more than one counsel for all the Electing Holders, a copy of such Shelf Registration Statement, each prospectus included therein or filed with the Commission and each amendment or supplement thereto;
- vii. for a reasonable period prior to the filing of such Shelf Registration Statement, and throughout the period specified in Section 2(b), make available at reasonable times at the Issuers' principal place of business or such other reasonable place for inspection by the persons referred to in Section 3(d)(vi) who shall certify to the Issuers that they have a current intention to sell the Registrable Securities pursuant to the Shelf Registration such financial and other relevant information and books and records of the Issuers, each of their subsidiaries and, as relevant, the Parent Companies (as defined herein), and cause the officers, employees, counsel and independent certified public accountants of the Issuers to respond to such inquiries, as shall be reasonably necessary, in the judgment of the respective counsel referred to in such Section, to conduct a reasonable investigation within the meaning of Section 11 of the Securities Act; provided, however, that each such party shall be required to maintain in confidence and not to disclose to any other person any information or records reasonably designated by the Issuers as being confidential, until such time as (A) such information becomes a matter of public record (whether by virtue of its inclusion in such registration statement or otherwise, except as a result of a breach of this or any other obligation of confidentiality to the Issuers), or (B) such person shall be required so to disclose such information pursuant to a subpoena or order of any court or other governmental agency or body having jurisdiction over the matter (subject to the requirements of such order, and only after such person shall have given the Issuers prompt prior written notice of such requirement), or (C) such information is required to be set forth in such Shelf Registration Statement or the prospectus included therein or in an amendment to such Shelf Registration Statement or an amendment or supplement to such prospectus in order that such Shelf Regist ration Statement, prospectus, amendment or supplement, as the case may be, complies with applicable requirements of the federal securities laws and the rules and regulations of the Commission and does not contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state therein a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading in light of the circumstances then existing;
- viii. promptly notify each of the Electing Holders, any sales or placement agent therefor and any underwriter thereof (which notification may be made through any managing underwriter that is a representative of such underwriter for such purpose) and confirm such advice in writing, (A) when such Shelf Registration Statement or the prospectus included therein or any prospectus amendment or supplement or post-effective amendment has been filed, and, with respect to such Shelf Registration Statement or any post-effective amendment, when the same has become effective, (B) of any comments by the Commission and by the blue sky or securities commissioner or regulator of any state with respect thereto, or any request by the Commission for amendments or supplements to such Shelf Registration Statement or prospectus or for additional information, (C) of the issuance by the Commission of any stop order suspending the effectiveness of such Shelf Registration Statement or the initiation or, to the knowledge of the Issuers, threatening of any proceedings for that purpose, (D) if at any time the representations and warranties of the Issuers contemplated by Section 3(d)(xvii) or Section 5 hereof cease to be true and correct in all material respects, (E) of the receipt by the Issuers of any notification with respect to the suspension of the qualification of the Registrable Securities for sale in any jurisdiction or the initiation or, to the knowledge of the Issuers, threatening of any proceeding for such purpose, or (F) if at any time when a prospectus is required to be delivered under the Securities Act, that such Shelf Registration Statement, prospectus, prospectus amendment or supplement or post-effective amendment does not conform in all material respects to the applicable requirements of the Securities Act and the Trust Indenture Act, or contains an untrue statement of a material fact or omits to state any material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make t he statements therein not misleading in light of the
- ix. use their reasonable best efforts to obtain the withdrawal of any order suspending the effectiveness of such Shelf Registration Statement or any post-effective amendment thereto as soon as practicable;
- x. if requested by any managing underwriter or underwriters, any placement or sales agent or any Electing Holder, promptly incorporate in a prospectus supplement or post-effective amendment such information as is required by the applicable rules and regulations of the Commission, and as such managing underwriter or underwriters, such agent or such Electing Holder specifies should be included therein relating to the terms of the sale of such Registrable Securities, including information (i) with respect to the principal amount of Registrable Securities being sold by such Electing Holder or agent or to any underwriters, the name and description of such Electing Holder, agent or underwriter, the offering price of such Registrable Securities, and any discount, commission or other compensation payable in respect thereof and the purchase price being paid therefor by such underwriters and (ii) with respect to any other material terms of the offering of the Registrable Securities to be sold by such Electing Holder or agent or to such underwriters; and make all required filings of such prospectus supplement or post-effective amendment upon notification of the matters to be incorporated in such prospectus supplement or post-effective amendment:
- xi. furnish to each Electing Holder, each placement or sales agent, if any, therefor, each underwriter, if any, thereof and the respective counsel referred to in Section 3(d)(vi) hereof an executed copy (or, in the case of an Electing Holder, a conformed copy) of such Shelf Registration Statement, each such amendment and supplement thereto (in each case including all exhibits thereto (in the case of an Electing Holder of Registrable Securities, upon request) and documents incorporated by reference therein) and such number of copies of such Shelf Registration Statement (excluding exhibits thereto and documents incorporated by reference therein unless specifically so requested by such Electing Holder, agent or underwriter, as the case may be) and of the prospectus included in such Shelf Registration Statement (including each preliminary prospectus and any summary prospectus), in conformity in all material respects with the applicable requirements of the Securities Act and the Trust I ndenture Act, and such other documents, as such Electing Holder, agent, if any, and underwriter, if any, may reasonably request in order to facilitate the offering and disposition of the Registrable Securities owned by such Electing Holder, offered or sold by such agent or underwritten by such underwriter and to permit such Electing Holder, agent and underwriter to satisfy the prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act; and the Issuers hereby consent to the use of such prospectus (including such preliminary and summary prospectus) and any amendment or supplement thereto by each such Electing Holder and by any such agent and underwriter, in each case in the form most recently provided to such person by the Issuers, in connection with the offering and sale of the Registrable Securities covered by the prospectus (including such preliminary and summary prospectus) or any supplement or amendment thereto;
- xii. use their reasonable best efforts to (A) register or qualify the Registrable Securities to be included in such Shelf Registration Statement under such securities laws or blue sky laws of such jurisdictions as any Electing Holder and each placement or sales agent, if any, therefor and underwriter, if any, thereof shall reasonably request, (B) keep such registrations or qualifications in effect and comply with such laws so as to permit the continuance of offers, sales and dealings therein in such jurisdictions during the period the Shelf Registration is required to remain effective under Section 2(b) above and for so long as may be necessary to enable any such Electing Holder, agent or underwriter to complete its distribution of Notes pursuant to such Shelf Registration Statement and (C) take any and all other actions as may be reasonably necessary or advisable to enable each such Electing Holder, agent, if any, and underwriter, if any, to consummate the di sposition in such jurisdictions of such Registrable Securities; provided, however, that none of the Issuers shall be required for any such purpose to (1) qualify as a foreign corporation or limited liability company, as the case may be, in any jurisdiction wherein it would not otherwise be required to qualify but for the requirements of this Section 3(d)(xii), (2) consent to general service of process in any such jurisdiction or (3) make any changes to its certificate of incorporation or by-laws (or other organizational document) or any agreement between it and holders of its ownership interests;
- xiii. use their reasonable best efforts to obtain the consent or approval of each governmental agency or authority, whether federal, state or local, which may be required to effect the Shelf Registration or the offering or sale in connection therewith or to enable the selling holder or holders to offer, or to consummate the disposition of, their Registrable Securities:
- xiv. unless any Registrable Securities shall be in book-entry only form, cooperate with the Electing Holders and the managing underwriters, if any, to facilitate the timely preparation and delivery of certificates representing Registrable Securities to be sold, which certificates, if so required by any securities exchange upon which any Registrable Securities are listed, shall be penned, lithographed or engraved, or produced by any combination of such methods, on steel engraved borders, and which certificates shall not bear any restrictive legends; and, in the case of an underwritten offering, enable such Registrable Securities to be in such denominations and registered in such names as the managing underwriters may request at least two business days prior to any sale of the Registrable Securities;
- xv. provide a CUSIP number for all Registrable Securities, not later than the applicable Effective Time;
- xvi. enter into one or more underwriting agreements, engagement letters, agency agreements, "best efforts" underwriting agreements or similar agreements, as appropriate, including customary provisions relating to indemnification and contribution, and take such other actions in connection therewith as any Electing Holders of at least 20% in aggregate principal amount of the Registrable Securities at the time outstanding shall request in order to expedite or facilitate the disposition of such Registrable Securities;

- xvii. in connection with any underwritten offering conducted pursuant to Section 7 hereof, (A) make such representations and warranties to the Electing Holders and the underwriters thereof in form, substance and scope as are customarily made in connection with an offering of debt securities pursuant to any appropriate agreement or to a registration statement filed on the form applicable to the Shelf Registration; (B) obtain an opinion of counsel to the Issuers in customary form, subject to customary limitations, assumptions and exclusions, and covering such matters, of the type customarily covered by such an opinion, as the managing underwriters, may reasonably request, addressed to the Electing Holders and the underwriters thereof and dated the date of the Effective Time of such Shelf Registration Statement (and if such Shelf Registration Statement contemplates an underwritten offering of a part or all of the Registrable Securities, dat ed the date of the closing under the underwriting agreement relating thereto); (C) obtain a "cold comfort" letter or letters from the independent certified public accountants of the Issuers addressed to the selling Electing Holders and the underwriters thereof, dated (i) the effective date of such Shelf Registration Statement and (ii) the effective date of any prospectus supplement to the prospectus included in such Shelf Registration Statement or post-effective amendment to such Shelf Registration Statement which includes unaudited or audited financial statements as of a date or for a period subsequent to that of the latest such statements included in such prospectus (and, if such Shelf Registration Statement contemplates an underwritten offering pursuant to any prospectus supplement to the prospectus included in such Shelf Registration Statement or post-effective amendment to such Shelf Registration Statement which includes unaudited or audited financial statements as of a date or for a period subsequ ent to that of the latest such statements included in such prospectus, dated the date of the closing under the underwriting agreement relating thereto), such letter or letters to be in customary form and covering such matters of the type customarily covered by letters of such type; (D) deliver such documents and certificates, including officers' certificates, as may be reasonably requested by the managing underwriters thereof to evidence the accuracy of the representations and warranties made pursuant to clause (A) above or those contained in Section 5(a) hereof and the compliance with or satisfaction of any agreements or conditions contained in the underwriting agreement or other similar agreement entered into by the Issuers pursuant to Section 3(d)(xvi); and (E) undertake such obligations relating to expense reimbursement, indemnification and contribution as are provided in Section 6 hereof;
- xviii. notify in writing each holder of Registrable Securities of any proposal by the Issuers to amend or waive any provision of this Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement pursuant to Section 9(h) hereof and of any amendment or waiver effected pursuant thereto, each of which notices shall contain the substance of the amendment or waiver proposed or effected, as the case may be;
- xix. in the event that any broker-dealer registered under the Exchange Act shall underwrite any Registrable Securities or participate as a member of an underwriting syndicate or selling group or "assist in the distribution" (within the meaning of the Conduct Rules (the "Conduct Rules") of the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. ("NASD") or any successor thereto, as amended from time to time) thereof, whether as a holder of such Registrable Securities or as an underwriter, a placement or sales agent or a broker or dealer in respect thereof, or otherwise, assist such broker-dealer in complying with the requirements of such Conduct Rules, including by (A) if such Conduct Rules shall so require, engaging a "qualified independent underwriter" (as defined in such Conduct Rules) to participate in the preparation of the Shelf Registration Statement relating to such Registrable Securities, to exercise usual standards of due diligence in respect thereto and, if any portion of the offering contemplated by such Shelf Registration Statement is an underwritten offering or is made through a placement or sales agent, to recommend the yield of such Registrable Securities, (B) indemnifying any such qualified independent underwriter to the extent of the indemnification of underwriters provided in Section 6 hereof (or to such other customary extent as may be requested by such underwriter), and (C) providing such information to such broker-dealer as may be required in order for such broker-dealer to comply with the requirements of the Conduct Rules; and
- xx. comply with all applicable rules and regulations of the Commission, and make generally available to its securityholders as soon as practicable but in any event not later than eighteen months after the effective date of such Shelf Registration Statement, an earning statement of the Company and its subsidiaries complying with Section 11(a) of the Securities Act (including, at the option of the Company, Rule 158 thereunder).
- e. In the event that the Issuers would be required, pursuant to Section 3(d)(viii)(F) above, to notify the Electing Holders, the placement or sales agent, if any, therefor and the managing underwriters, if any, thereof, the Issuers shall, as promptly as practicable, but in any event within ten days, prepare and furnish to each of the Electing Holders, to each placement or sales agent, if any, and to each such underwriter, if any, a reasonable number of copies of a prospectus supplemented or amended so that, as thereafter delivered to purchasers of Registrable Securities, such prospectus conforms in all material respects to the applicable requirements of the Securities Act and the Trust Indenture Act, and shall not contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading in light of the circumstances then existing. Each Electing Holder agrees that upon receipt of any notice from the Issuers pursuant to Section 3(d)(viii)(F) hereof, such Electing Holder shall forthwith discontinue the disposition of Registrable Securities pursuant to the Shelf Registration Statement applicable to such Registrable Securities until such Electing Holder shall have received copies of such amended or supplemented prospectus, and if so directed by the Issuers, such Electing Holder shall deliver to the Issuers (at the Issuers' expense) all copies, other than permanent file copies, then in such Electing Holder's possession of the prospectus covering such Registrable Securities at the time of receipt of such notice.
- f. In the event of a Shelf Registration, in addition to the information required to be provided by each Electing Holder in its Notice and Questionnaire, the Issuers may require such Electing Holder to furnish to the Issuers such additional information regarding such Electing Holder and such Electing Holder's intended method of distribution of Registrable Securities as may be required in order to comply with the Securities Act. Each such Electing Holder agrees to notify the Issuers as promptly as practicable of any inaccuracy or change in information previously furnished by such Electing Holder to the Issuers or of the occurrence of any event in either case as a result of which any prospectus relating to such Shelf Registration contains or would contain an untrue statement of a material fact regarding such Electing Holder or such Electing Holder's intended method of disposition of such Registrable Securities or omits to state any material fact regarding such Electing Holder or such Electing Holder's intended method of disposition of such Registrable Securities required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading in light of the circumstances then existing, and promptly to furnish to the Issuers any additional information required to correct and update any previously furnished information or required so that such prospectus shall not contain, with respect to such Electing Holder or the disposition of such Registrable Securities, an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading in light of the circumstances then existing.

#### 4. Registration Expenses.

The Issuers agree, subject to the last sentence of this Section 4, to bear and to pay or cause to be paid promptly all expenses incident to the Issuers' performance of or compliance with this Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement, including (a) all Commission and any NASD registration, filing and review fees and expenses, including fees and disbursements of counsel for the placement or sales agent, underwriters or broker-dealers that acquire Notes directly from the Issuers in connection with such registration, filing and review. (b) all fees and expenses in connection with the qualification of the Notes for offering and sale under the securities laws and blue sky laws referred to in Section 3(d)(xii) hereof and determination of their eligibility for investment under the laws of such jurisdictions as any managing underwriters or the Electing Holders may designate, including any fees and disbursements of counsel for the Electing Holders or underwriters in connection with such qualification and determination, (c) all expenses relating to the preparation, printing, production, distribution and reproduction of each registration statement required to be filed hereunder, each prospectus included therein or prepared for distribution pursuant hereto, each amendment or supplement to the foregoing, the expenses of preparing the Notes for delivery and the expenses of printing or producing any underwriting agreements, agreements among underwriters, selling agreements and blue sky or legal investment memoranda and all other documents in connection with the offering, sale or delivery of Notes to be disposed of (including certificates representing the Notes), (d) messenger, telephone and delivery expenses relating to the offering, sale or delivery of Notes and the preparation of documents referred in clause (c) above, (e) fees and expenses of the Trustee under the Indenture, any agent of the Trustee and any reasonab le fees and expenses for counsel for the Trustee and of any collateral agent or custodian, (f) internal expenses (including all salaries and expenses of the Issuers' officers and employees performing legal or accounting duties), (g) fees, disbursements and expenses of counsel and independent certified public accountants of the Issuers (including the expenses of any opinions or "cold comfort" letters required by or incident to such performance and compliance), (h) fees, disbursements and expenses of any "qualified independent underwriter" engaged pursuant to Section 3(d)(xix) hereof, (i) reasonable fees, disbursements and expenses of one counsel for the Electing Holders retained in connection with a Shelf Registration, as selected by the Electing Holders of at least a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Registrable Securities held by Electing Holders (which counsel shall be reasonably satisfactory to the Issuers), (j) any fees charged by securities rating services for rating the Notes, and (k) reasonable fees, expenses and disbursements of any other persons, including special experts, retained by the Issuers in connection with such registration (collectively, the "Registration Expenses"). To the extent that any Registration Expenses are incurred, assumed or paid by any holder of Registrable Securities or any placement or sales agent therefor or underwriter thereof, the Issuers shall reimburse such person for the full amount of the Registration Expenses so incurred, assumed or paid promptly after receipt of a request therefor. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the holders of the Registrable Securities being registered shall pay all agency fees and commissions and underwriting discounts and commissions attributable to the sale of such Registrable Securities and the fees and disbursements of any counsel or other advisors or experts retained by such holders (severally or jointly), other than the counsel and experts specifically referred to

#### 5. Representations, Warranties and Covenants.

Except with respect to clauses (a) and (b) below, the Issuers represent and warrant to, and agree with, each Purchaser and each of the holders from time to time of Registrable Securities the information set forth in this Section 5.

With respect to clauses (a) and (b) below, the Issuers covenant that:

- a. Each registration statement covering Registrable Securities and each prospectus (including any preliminary or summary prospectus) contained therein or furnished pursuant to Section 3(d) or Section 3(c) hereof and any further amendments or supplements to any such registration statement or prospectus, when it becomes effective or is filed with the Commission, as the case may be, and, in the case of an underwritten offering of Registrable Securities, at the time of the closing under the underwriting agreement relating thereto, will conform in all material respects to the requirements of the Securities Act and the Trust Indenture Act and will not contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading; and at all times subsequent to the Effective Time when a prospectus would be required to be delivered under the Securities Act, other than from (i) such time as a notice has been given to holders of Registrable Securities pursuant to Section 3(d)(viii)(F) or Section 3(c)(iii)(F) hereof until (ii) such time as the Issuers furnishes an amended or supplemented prospectus pursuant to Section 3(e) or Section 3(c)(iv) hereof, each such registration statement, and each prospectus (including any preliminary or summary prospectus) contained therein or furnished pursuant to Section 3(d) or Section 3(c) hereof, as then amended or supplemented, will conform in all material respects to the requirements of the Securities Act and the Trust Indenture Act and will not contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading in the light of the circumstances then existing; provided, however, that this covenant shall not apply to any statements or omissions made in reliance upon and in conformity with information furnished in writing to the Issuers by a holder of Registrable Securities expressly for use therein.
- b. Any documents incorporated by reference in any prospectus referred to in Section 5(a) hereof, when they become or became effective or are or were filed with the Commission, as the case may be, will conform or conformed in all material respects to the requirements of the Securities Act or the Exchange Act, as applicable, and none of such documents will contain or contained an untrue statement of a material fact or will omit or omitted to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading; provided, however, that this covenant shall not apply to any statements or omissions made in reliance upon and in conformity with information furnished in writing to the Issuers by a holder of Registrable Securities expressly for use therein.
- c. The compliance by the Issuers with the provisions of this Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement and the consummation of the transactions herein contemplated will not conflict with or result in a material breach of any of the terms or provisions of, or constitute a default under, any indenture, mortgage, deed of trust, loan agreement, lease, license, franchise agreement, permit or other material agreement or instrument to which either of the Issuers or any of Charter Communications, Inc. ("CCI"), Charter Communications Holding Company, LLC ("CCH LLC"), Charter Communications Holdings, LLC ("Holdings") and CCH I, LLC (collectively with CCI, CCH LLC and Holdings, the "Parent Companies") or the Issuers' subsidiaries is a party or by which either of the Issuers or any of the Parent Companies or the Issuers' subsidiaries is bound or to which any of the property or assets of the Issuers or any of the Parent Companies or the Issuers' subsidiarie's is subject, nor will such action result in any violation of the provisions of the certificate of formation or limited liability company agreement of the Company or the certificate of incorporation or bylaws of CCH II Capital or any statute or any order, rule or regulation of any court or governmental agency or body, including without limitation, the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, the Cable Communications Policy Act of 1984, as amended, the Cable Television Consumer Protection and Competition Act of 1992, as amended, and the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (collectively, the "Cable Acts") or any order, rule or regulation of the Federal Communications Commission (the "FCC"), having jurisdiction over the Issuers or any of the Parent Companies or the Issuers' subsidiaries or any of their properties, except for any such violation which would not materially impair the Issuers' ability to comply herewith; and no consent, approval, authorization, order, registration or qualification of or with any such court or governmental agency or body is required, including, without limitation, under the Cable Acts or any order, rule or regulation of the FCC, for the consummation by the Issuers of the transactions contemplated by this Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement, except the registration under the Securities Act of the Notes, qualification of the Indenture under the Trust Indenture Act and such consents, approvals, authorizations, registrations or qualifications as may be required under State Notes or blue sky laws in connection with the offering and distribution of the Notes.
- d. This Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Issuers and is enforceable against the Issuers in accordance with its terms.

#### 6. Indemnification

- a. *Indemnification by the Issuers*. The Issuers, jointly and severally, (i) will indemnify and hold harmless each of the holders of Exchange Notes included in an Exchange Offer Registration Statement and each of the Electing Holders identified as a selling securityholder in a Shelf Registration Statement and each person who participates as a placement or sales agent or as an underwriter in any offering or sale in connection with such Shelf Registration Statement against any losses, claims, damages or liabilities, joint or several, to which they or any of them may become subject, under the Securities Act, the Exchange Act or otherwise, insofar as such losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof) arise out of or are based upon an untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in the Exchange Offer Registration Statement or Shelf Registration Statement, as the case may be, or any amendment thereof or supplement thereto, or any preliminary, final or summary prospectus contained therein or furnished by the Issuers to any such holders, Electing Holder, agent or underwriter, or any amendment or supplement thereto, or arise out of or are based upon the omission or alleged omission to state therein a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading, and (ii) will reimburse such holder, such Electing Holder, such agent and such underwriter for any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by them in connection with investigating or defending any such loss, claim, damage or liability as such expenses are incurred; provided, however, that neither of the Issuers shall be liable to any such person in any such case to the extent that any such loss, claim, damage or liability arises out of or is based upon an untrue statement or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission made in such registration statement, or preliminary, final or summary prospectus, or any amendment thereof or supplement thereto, in rel
- b. *Indemnification by the Purchasers, the Holders and any Agents and Underwriters*. Each of the holders of Registrable Securities covered by any Exchange Offer Registration Statement, each of the Electing Holders of Registrable Securities included in a Shelf Registration Statement and each person who participates as a placement or sales agent or as an underwriter in any offering or sale of such Registrable Securities, severally and not jointly, (i) will indemnify and hold harmless the Issuers and all other holders, agents and underwriters against any losses, claims, damages or liabilities to which the Issuers or such other holders, agents or underwriters may become subject, under the Securities Act, the Exchange Act or otherwise, insofar as such losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof) arise out of or are based upon an untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in such registration statement, or any amendment thereof or supplement thereto, or any preliminary, final or summary prospectus contained therein or furnished by the Issuers to any such holders, Electing Holder, agent or underwriter, or any amendment or supplement thereto, or arise out of or are based upon the omission or alleged omission to state therein a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading, in each case to the extent, but only to the extent, that such untrue statement or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission was made in reliance upon and in conformity with written information furnished to the Issuers by or on behalf of such holder, Electing Holder, agent or underwriter expressly for use therein, and (ii) will reimburse the Issuers for any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by the Issuers in connection with investigating or defending any such action or claim as such expenses are incurred; provided, however, that no such Electing Holder or holder that is a broker-dealer selling Exchange Notes pursua
- c. Notices of Claims, Etc. Promptly after receipt by an indemnified party under subsection (a) or (b) above of written notice of the commencement of any action, such indemnified party shall, if a claim in respect thereof is to be made against an indemnifying party pursuant to the indemnification provisions of or contemplated by this Section 6, notify such indemnifying party in writing of the commencement thereof; but the failure so to notify the indemnifying party shall not relieve it from any liability which it may have to any indemnified party except to the extent actually prejudiced thereby. In case any such action shall be brought against any indemnified party and it shall notify an indemnifying party of the commencement thereof, such indemnifying party shall be entitled to participate therein and, to the extent that it shall wish, jointly with any other indemnifying party similarly notified, to assu me the defense thereof, with counsel reasonably satisfactory to such indemnified party (who shall not, except with the consent of the indemnified party, be counsel to the indemnifying party), and, after notice from the indemnifying party to such indemnified party of its election so to assume the defense thereof, such indemnifying party shall not be liable to such indemnified party for any legal expenses of other counsel or any other expenses, in each case subsequently incurred by such indemnified party, in connection with the defense thereof other than reasonable costs of investigation. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the indemnified party or parties shall have the right to employ its or their own counsel in any such case, but the fees and expenses of such counsel shall be at the expense of such indemnified party or parties unless (i) the employment of such counsel shall have been authorized in writing by the indemnifying parties in connection with the defense of such action, (ii) the indem nifying parties shall not have employed counsel to take charge of the defense of such action within a reasonable time after notice of commencement of the action or (iii) such indemnified party or parties shall have reasonably concluded that there may be defenses available to it or them that are different from or additional to those available to one or all of the indemnifying parties (in which case the indemnifying party or parties shall not have the right to direct the defense of such action on behalf of the indemnified party or parties), in any of which events such fees and expenses of counsel shall be borne by the indemnifying parties; provided, that the indemnifying parties shall only be liable for the legal expenses of one counsel (in addition to any local counsel) for all indemnified parties in each jurisdiction in which any claim or action is brought. No indemnifying party shall, without the written consent of the indemnified party, effect the settlement or compromise of, or consent to the entry of any judgment with respect to, any pending or threatened action or claim in respect of which indemnification or contribution may be sought hereunder (whether or not the indemnified party is an actual or potential party to such action or claim) unless such settlement, compromise or judgment (i) includes an unconditional release of the indemnified

party from all liability arising out of such action or claim and (ii) does not include a statement as to or an admission of fault, culpability or a failure to act by or on behalf of any indemnified party.

- d. Contribution. If for any reason the indemnification provisions contemplated by Section 6(a) or Section 6(b) are unavailable to or insufficient to hold harmless an indemnified party in respect of any losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof) referred to therein, then each indemnifying party shall contribute to the amount paid or payable by such indemnified party as a result of such losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof) in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect the relative fault of the indemnifying party and the indemnified party in connection with the statements or omissions which resulted in such losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof), as well as any other relevant equitable considerations. The relative fault of such indemnifying party and indemnified party shall be determined by reference to, among other things, whether the untrue or allege d untrue statement of a material fact or omission or alleged omission to state a material fact relates to information supplied by such indemnifying party or by such indemnified party, and the parties' relative intent, knowledge, access to information and opportunity to correct or prevent such statement or omission. The parties hereto agree that it would not be just and equitable if contributions pursuant to this Section 6(d) were determined by pro rata allocation (even if the holders or any agents or underwriters or all of them were treated as one entity for such purpose) or by any other method of allocation which does not take account of the equitable considerations referred to in this Section 6(d). The amount paid or payable by an indemnified party as a result of the losses, claims, damages, or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof) referred to above shall be deemed to include any legal or other fees or expenses reasonably incurred by such indemnified party in connection with investigating or defending any such action or claim. Notwithstanding the provisions of this Section 6(d), no holder shall be required to contribute any amount in excess of the amount by which the dollar amount of the proceeds received by such holder from the sale of any Registrable Securities (after deducting any fees, discounts and commissions applicable thereto) exceeds the amount of any damages which such holder has otherwise been required to pay by reason of such untrue or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission, and no underwriter shall be required to contribute any amount in excess of the amount by which the total price at which the Registrable Securities underwritten by it and distributed to the public were offered to the public exceeds the amount of any damages which such underwriter has otherwise been required to pay by reason of such untrue or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission. No person guilty of fraudulent misrepresentation (within the meaning of Section 11(f) of the Securities Act) shall be entitled to contribution from any person who was not guilty of such fraudulent misrepresentation. The holders' and any underwriters' obligations in this Section 6(d) to contribute shall be several in proportion to the principal amount of Registrable Securities registered or underwritten, as the case may be, by them and not joint.
- e. *Remedy not Exclusive*. The obligations of the Issuers under this Section 6 shall be in addition to any liability which the Issuers may otherwise have and shall extend, upon the same terms and conditions, to each officer, director and partner of each holder, agent and underwriter and each person, if any, who controls any holder, agent or underwriter within the meaning of the Securities Act; and the obligations of the Purchasers, the holders and any agents or underwriters contemplated by this Section 6 shall be in addition to any liability which the respective Purchaser, holder, agent or underwriter may otherwise have and shall extend, upon the same terms and conditions, to each officer (including any officer who signed any registration statement), director, employee, representative or agent of the Issuers and to each person, if any, who controls the Issuers within the meaning of the Securities Act.

#### 7. Underwritten Offerings.

- a. Selection of Underwriters. If any of the Registrable Securities covered by the Shelf Registration are to be sold pursuant to an underwritten offering, the managing underwriter or underwriters thereof shall be designated by Electing Holders holding at least a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Registrable Securities to be included in such offering, provided that such designated managing underwriter or underwriters is or are reasonably acceptable to the Issuers.
- b. Participation by Holders. Each holder of Registrable Securities hereby agrees with each other such holder that no such holder may participate in any underwritten offering hereunder unless such holder (i) agrees to sell such holder's Registrable Securities on the basis provided in any underwriting arrangements approved by the persons entitled hereunder to approve such arrangements and (ii) completes and executes all questionnaires, powers of attorney, indemnities, underwriting agreements and other documents reasonably required under the terms of such underwriting arrangements.

#### 8. Rule 144

Each of the Issuers covenants to the holders of Registrable Securities that to the extent it shall be required to do so under the Exchange Act, it shall timely file the reports required to be filed by it under the Exchange Act or the Securities Act (including the reports under Section 13 and 15(d) of the Exchange Act referred to in subparagraph (c) (1) of Rule 144 adopted by the Commission under the Securities Act), and shall take such further action as any holder of Registrable Securities may reasonably request, all to the extent required from time to time to enable such holder to sell Registrable Securities without registration under the Securities Act within the limitations of the exemption provided by Rule 144 under the Securities Act, or any similar or successor rule or regulation hereafter adopted by the Commission. Upon the request of any holder of Registrable Securities in connection with that holder's sale pursuant to Rule 144, the Issuers shall deliver to such holder a written statement as to whether it has complied with such requirements.

#### 9. Miscellaneous.

- a. *No Inconsistent Agreements*. The Issuers represent, warrant, covenant and agree that they have not granted, and shall not grant, registration rights with respect to Registrable Securities or any other Notes which would be inconsistent with the terms contained in this Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement.
- b. Specific Performance. The parties hereto acknowledge that there would be no adequate remedy at law if the Issuers fail to perform any of their obligations hereunder and that the Purchasers and the holders from time to time of the Registrable Securities may be irreparably harmed by any such failure, and accordingly agree that the Purchasers and such holders, in addition to any other remedy to which they may be entitled at law or in equity, shall be entitled to compel specific performance of the obligations of the Issuers under this Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement, in any court of the United States or any State thereof having jurisdiction.
- c. *Notices*. All notices, requests, claims, demands, waivers and other communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been duly given (i) when delivered by hand, if delivered personally or by courier, (ii) when sent by facsimile (with written confirmation of receipt), provided that a copy is mailed by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested or (iii) three days after being deposited in the mail (registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested) as follows: If to the Issuers, c/o CCH II, LLC, 12405 Powerscourt Drive, St. Louis, Missouri, 63131, Attention: Secretary, and if to a holder, to the address of such holder set forth in the security register or other records of the Issuers, or to such other address as the Issuers or any such holder may have furnished to the other in writing in accordance herewith, except that notices of change of address shall be effective only upon receipt.
- d. *Parties in Interest*. All the terms and provisions of this Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement shall be binding upon, shall inure to the benefit of and shall be enforceable, by the parties hereto and the holders from time to time of the Registrable Securities and the respective successors and assigns of the parties hereto and such holders. In the event that any transferee of any holder of Registrable Securities shall acquire Registrable Securities, in any manner, whether by gift, bequest, purchase, operation of law or otherwise, such transferee shall, without any further writing or action of any kind, be deemed a beneficiary hereof for all purposes and such Registrable Securities shall be held subject to all of the terms of this Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement, and by taking and holding such Registrable Securities such transferee shall be entitled to receive the benefits, and be conclusively deemed to have agreed to be bound by all of the applicable terms and provisions, of this Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement. If the Issuers shall so request, any such successor, assign or transferee shall agree in writing to acquire and hold the Registrable Securities subject to all of the applicable terms hereof.
- e. Survival. The respective indemnities, agreements, representations, warranties and each other provision set forth in this Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement or made pursuant hereto shall remain in full force and effect regardless of any investigation (or statement as to the results thereof) made by or on behalf of any holder of Registrable Securities, any director, officer or partner of such holder, any agent or underwriter or any director, officer or partner thereof, or any controlling person of any of the foregoing, and shall survive delivery of and payment for the Registrable Securities pursuant to the Exchange Agreements and the Purchase Agreements and the transfer and registration of Registrable Securities by such holder and the consummation of an Exchange Offer.
- f. Governing Law. This Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York.
- g. *Headings*. The descriptive headings of the several Sections and paragraphs of this Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement are inserted for convenience only, do not constitute a part of this Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement and shall not affect in any way the meaning or interpretation of this Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement.
- h. Entire Agreement; Amendments. This Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement and the other writings referred to herein (including the Indenture and the form of Notes) or delivered pursuant hereto which form a part hereof contain the entire understanding of the parties with respect to its subject matter. This Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement supersedes all prior agreements and understandings between the parties with respect to its subject matter. This Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement may be amended and the observance of any term of this Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement may be waived (either generally or in a particular instance and either retroactively or prospectively) only by a written instrument duly executed by the Issuers and the holders of at least a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Registrable Securities at the time outstanding, provided that no such amendment or waiver shall materi ally and disproportionately adversely affect the rights of any Restricted Holder under this Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement without the consent of such Restricted Holder. Each holder of any Registrable Securities at the time or thereafter outstanding shall be bound by any amendment or waiver effected pursuant to this Section 9(h), whether or not any notice, writing or marking indicating such amendment or waiver appears on such Registrable Securities or is delivered to such holder.

- i. Inspection. For so long as this Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement shall be in effect, this Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement and a complete list of the names and addresses of all the holders of Registrable Securities shall be made available for inspection and copying, upon reasonable prior notice, on any business day during normal business hours by any holder of Registrable Securities for proper purposes only (which shall include any purpose related to the rights of the holders of Registrable Securities under the Notes, the Indenture and this Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement) at the offices of the Issuers at the address thereof set forth in Section 9(c) above and at the office of the Trustee under the Indenture.
- j. Counterparts. This agreement may be executed by the parties in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original, but all such respective counterparts shall together constitute one and the same instrument.
- k. Severability. In the event that any one of more of the provisions contained herein, or the application thereof in any circumstances, is held invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect for any reason, the validity, legality and enforceability of any such provision in every other respect and of the remaining provisions hereof shall not be in any way impaired or affected thereby, it being intended that all of the rights and privileges of the parties shall be enforceable to the fullest extent permitted by law.
- l. Multiple Purchasers. Each Purchaser understands, acknowledges and agrees that multiple Purchasers have executed and delivered this Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement. Pursuant to each of the Exchange Agreements and Purchase Agreements entered into by the Company and each Purchaser, the Company is prohibited (except as required by applicable law) from revealing or disclosing the identity of any other Purchaser or the amount of Registrable Securities received by any other Purchaser. Accordingly, each Purchaser acknowledges that the Company is not required to divulge the identity of any other Purchaser or the number of Registrable Securities acquired by any other Purchaser. Furthermore, each Purchaser acknowledges and agrees that if at any time any decision or action is required to be taken by the Purchasers in their capacities as holders of a requisite amount of Registrable Securities hereunder (including, without limitation, under Section 9(h)), the Company shall make the final and bind ing determination as to whether such decision or action has been properly taken by the requisite holders and shall inform

each noider of t	ne same.
	[SIGNATURE PAGES FOLLOW]
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If the foregoing is in accordance with y shall constitute a binding agreement be	your understanding, please sign and return to us counterparts hereof, and upon the acceptance hereof by you, this letter and such acceptance hereof tween you and the Issuers.
	Very truly yours,
	CCH II, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, as an Issuer
	By:_
	Name: Title:
	CCH II CAPITAL CORP., a Delaware corporation, as an Issuer
	Ву:_
	Name: Title:

#### PURCHASER SIGNATURE PAGE TO EXCHANGE AND REGISTRATION RIGHTS AGREEMENT

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned Purchaser has duly executed and delivered this Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement as of the first date written above.

## **PURCHASER**

[PURCHA	SER NAME]	
By:		
Name:		
Its:		

Purchaser Name and Address:

Fax Number:

#### CCH II, LLC CCH II CAPITAL CORP.

#### INSTRUCTION TO DTC PARTICIPANTS

(Date of Mailing)

#### **URGENT - IMMEDIATE ATTENTION REQUESTED**

DEADLINE FOR RESPONSE: [DATE](a)

The Depository Trust Company ("DTC") has identified you as a DTC Participant through which beneficial interests in the CCH II, LLC (the "Company") and CCH II Capital Corp. ("CCH II Capital" and, together with the Company, the "Issuers") 10.25% Senior Notes due 2010 (the "Notes") are held.

The Issuers are in the process of registering the Notes under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, for resale by the beneficial owners thereof. In order to have their Notes included in the registration statement, beneficial owners must complete and return the enclosed Notice of Registration Statement and Selling Securityholder Questionnaire.

It is important that beneficial owners of the Notes receive a copy of the enclosed materials as soon as possible as their rights to have the Notes included in the registration statement depend upon their returning the Notice and Questionnaire by [Deadline For Response]. Please forward a copy of the enclosed documents to each beneficial owner that holds interests in the Notes through you. If you require more copies of the enclosed materials or have any questions pertaining to this matter, please contact the Issuers c/o CCH II, LLC, Charter Plaza, 12405 Powerscourt Drive, St. Louis, Missouri, 63131, Attention: Secretary.

#### CCH II, LLC CCH II CAPITAL CORP.

Notice of Registration Statement and <u>Selling Securityholder Questionnaire</u>

(Date)

Reference is hereby made to the Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement (the "Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement") between CCH II, LLC and CCH II Capital Corp. (together, the "Issuers"), and the Purchasers named therein. Pursuant to the Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement, the Issuers have filed with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") a registration statement on Form S-3 (the "Shelf Registration Statement") for the registration and resale under Rule 415 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), of the Issuers' 10.25% Senior Notes due 2010 (the "Notes"). A copy of the Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement is attached hereto. All capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed thereto in the Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement.

Each beneficial owner of Registrable Securities is entitled to have the Registrable Securities beneficially owned by it included in the Shelf Registration Statement. In order to have Registrable Securities included in the Shelf Registration Statement, this Notice of Registration Statement and Selling Securityholder Questionnaire ("Notice and Questionnaire") must be completed, executed and delivered to the Issuers' counsel at the address set forth herein for receipt ON OR BEFORE [Deadline for Response]. Beneficial owners of Registrable Securities who do not complete, execute and return this Notice and Questionnaire by such date (i) will not be named as selling securityholders in the Shelf Registration Statement and (ii) may not use the Prospectus forming a part thereof for resales of Registrable Securities.

Certain legal consequences arise from being named as a selling securityholder in the Shelf Registration Statement and related prospectus. Accordingly, holders and beneficial owners of Registrable Securities are advised to consult their own securities law counsel regarding the consequences of being named or not being named as a selling securityholder in the Shelf Registration Statement and related prospectus.

#### ELECTION

The undersigned holder (the "Selling Securityholder") of Registrable Securities hereby elects to include in the Shelf Registration Statement the Registrable Securities beneficially owned by it and listed below in Item (3). The undersigned, by signing and returning this Notice and Questionnaire, agrees to be bound with respect to such Registrable Securities by the terms and conditions of this Notice and Questionnaire and the Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement, including, without limitation, Section 6 of the Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement, as if the undersigned Selling Securityholder were an original party thereto.

Upon any sale of Registrable Securities pursuant to the Shelf Registration Statement, the Selling Securityholder will be required to deliver to the Issuers and the Trustee the Notice of Transfer Pursuant to Registration Statement set forth in Exhibit B to the Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement.

The Selling Securityholder hereby provides the following information to the Issuers and represents and warrants that such information is accurate and complete:

#### QUESTIONNAIRE

(1) (a) Full Legal Name of Selling Securityholder:

(a) Not less than 28 calendar days from date of mailing.

- (b) Full Legal Name of Registered Holder (if not the same as in (a) above) of Registrable Securities Listed in Item (3) below:
- (c) Full Legal Name of DTC Participant (if applicable and if not the same as (b) above) Through Which Registrable Securities Listed in Item (3) below are Held:

(2) Address for Notices to Selling Securityholder:
Telephone:
Fax:
Contact Person:
(3) Beneficial Ownership of Notes:
Except as set forth below in this Item (3), the undersigned does not beneficially own any Notes.
(a) Principal amount of Registrable Securities beneficially owned:
CUSIP No(s). of such Registrable Securities:
(b) Principal amount of Notes other than Registrable Securities beneficially owned:CUSIP No(s). of such other Notes:
(c) Principal amount of Registrable Securities which the undersigned wishes to be included in the Shelf Registration Statement:
CUSIP No(s). of such Registrable Securities to be included in the Shelf Registration Statement:
(4) Beneficial Ownership of Other Securities of the Issuers:
Except as set forth below in this Item (4), the undersigned Selling Securityholder is not the beneficial or registered owner of any other securities of the Issuers other than the Notes listed above in Item (3).
State any exceptions here:
(5) Relationships with the Issuers:
Except as set forth below, neither the Selling Securityholder nor any of its affiliates, officers, directors or principal equity holders (5% or more) has held any position or office or has had any other material relationship with the Issuers (or their respective predecessors or affiliates) during the past three years.
State any exceptions here:
(6) Plan of Distribution:
Except as set forth below, the undersigned Selling Securityholder intends to distribute the Registrable Securities listed above in Item (3) only as follows (if at all): Such Registrable Securities may be sold from time to time directly by the undersigned Selling Securityholder or, alternatively, through underwriters, broker-dealers or agents. Such Registrable Securities may be sold in one or more transactions at fixed prices, at prevailing market prices at the time of sale, at varying prices determined at the time of sale, or at negotiated prices. Such sales may be effected in transactions (which may involve crosses or block transactions) (i) on any national securities exchange or quotation service on which the Registered Notes may be listed or quoted at the time of sale, (ii) in the over-the-counter market, (iii) in transactions otherwise than on such exchanges or services or in the over-the-counter market, or (iv) through the writing of options. In connection with sales of the Registrable Securities or otherwise, the Selling Securityholder may enter into hedging transactions with broker-dealers, which may in turn engage in short sales of the Registrable Securities in the course of hedging the positions they assume. The Selling Securityholder may also sell Registrable Securities short and deliver Registrable Securities to close out such short positions, or loan or pledge Registrable Securities to broker-dealers that in turn may sell such Notes.
State any exceptions here:
By signing below, the Selling Securityholder acknowledges that it understands its obligation to comply, and agrees that it will comply, with the provisions of the Exchange Act, including, without limitation, Regulation M.
In the event that the Selling Securityholder transfers all or any portion of the Registrable Securities listed in Item (3) above after the date on which such information is provided to the Issuers, the Selling Securityholder agrees to notify the transferee(s) at the time of the transfer of its rights and obligations under this Notice and Questionnaire and the Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement.
By signing below, the Selling Securityholder consents to the disclosure of the information contained herein in its answers to Items (1) through (6) above and the inclusion of such information in the Shelf Registration Statement and related Prospectus. The Selling Securityholder understands that such information will be relied upon by the Issuers in connection with the preparation of the Shelf Registration Statement and related Prospectus.
In accordance with the Selling Securityholder's obligation under Section 3(d) of the Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement to provide such information as may be required by law for inclusion in the Shelf Registration Statement, the Selling Securityholder agrees to promptly notify the Issuers of any inaccuracies or changes in the information provided herein which may occur subsequent to the date hereof at any time while the Shelf Registration Statement remains in effect. All notices hereunder and pursuant to the Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement shall be made in writing, by hand-delivery, first-class mail, or air courier guaranteeing overnight delivery as follows:
(i) To the Issuers:
(ii) With a copy to:

Once this Notice and Questionnaire is executed by the Selling Securityholder and received by the Issuers' counsel, the terms of this Notice and Questionnaire, and the representations and warranties contained herein, shall be binding on, shall inure to the benefit of and shall be enforceable by the respective successors, heirs, personal representatives, and assigns of the Issuers and the Selling Securityholder (with respect to the Registrable Securities beneficially owned by such Selling Securityholder and listed in Item (3) above). This Agreement shall be governed in all respects by the laws of the State of New York without giving effect to any provisions relating to conflicts of laws.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, by authority duly given, has caused this Notice and Questionnaire to be executed and delivered either in person or by its duly authorized agent.
Dated:
Selling Securityholder (Print/type full legal name of beneficial owner of Registrable Securities)
ByName:
Title:
PLEASE RETURN THE COMPLETED AND EXECUTED NOTICE AND QUESTIONNAIRE FOR RECEIPT ON OR BEFORE [DEADLINE FOR RESPONSE] TO THE ISSUERS' COUNSEL AT:
NOTICE OF TRANSFER PURSUANT TO REGISTRATION STATEMENT
[Name of Trustee]
CCH II, LLC CCH II Capital Corp. c/o [Name of Trustee]
Attention: Trust Officer
Re: CCH II, LLC and CCH II Capital Corp. (together, the "Issuers") 10.25% Senior Notes due 2010
Dear Sirs:
Please be advised that has transferred \$ aggregate principal amount of the above-referenced Notes pursuant to an effective Registration Statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333) filed by the Issuers.
We hereby certify that the prospectus delivery requirements, if any, of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, have been satisfied and that the above-named beneficial owner of the Notes is named as a "Selling Holder" in the prospectus dated [date] or in supplements thereto, and that the aggregate principal amount of the Notes transferred are the Notes listed in such prospectus opposite such owner's name.
Dated:
Very truly yours,
(Name)
By: (Authorized Signature)

#### CCH II NOTE PURCHASE AGREEMENT

This CCH II NOTE PURCHASE AGREEMENT (the "Agreement") is entered into as of the 18<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2003, by and among CCH II, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("CCH II"), CCH II Capital Corp., a Delaware corporation ("Capital" and, together with CCH II, the "CCH II Issuers") and each of the affiliated purchasers listed on the signature pages hereto (each a "Purchaser" and, collectively, the "Purchasers"), with reference to the following facts (capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings set forth in Exhibit A hereto):

- A. Certain of the Purchasers or their affiliated entities have entered into exchange agreements ("Exchange Agreements") with the CCH II Issuers and/or their affiliates pursuant to which the Purchasers or such affiliated entities are acquiring new 10.25% Senior Notes due 2010 (the "New Notes") to be issued by the CCH II Issuers in exchange for certain notes issued by affiliates of the CCH II Issuers.
- B. Each Purchaser wishes to purchase New Notes for cash on the basis set forth in this Agreement and on such Purchaser's signature page hereto; and
- C. The CCH II Issuers wish to sell to the Purchasers such New Notes on the terms and conditions set forth herein:
- NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing premises and the mutual covenants hereinafter contained, the parties hereto agree as follows:
- 1. <u>Purchase</u>. Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, each Purchaser agrees to purchase, and the CCH II Issuers agree to sell, New Notes, on the basis set forth in this Agreement. At the Closing (as defined below), each Purchaser will deliver to the CCH II Issuers (by wire transfer of immediately available funds to the account listed on the CCH II Issuers' signature page) the aggregate purchase price set forth on such Purchaser's signature page hereto, and the CCH II Issuers shall deliver or cause to be delivered to such Purchaser the principal amount of New Notes as set forth on such Purchaser's signature page hereto (such transactions in this Section 1 with respect to each Purchaser, the "Purchase").
  - 1.1 Other Documents. The New Notes shall be subject to an indenture with a trustee of national standing selected by the CCH II Issuers, which indenture shall be in the form attached hereto, together with such changes consented to in writing by the Purchasers (which consent shall not unreasonably be withheld). The CCH II Issuers shall enter into a registration rights agreement with each Purchaser, which agreement shall be in the form attached hereto, together with such changes consented to in writing by the Purchasers (which consent shall not unreasonably be withheld). Each of the CCH II Issuers and each Purchaser shall execute and/or deliver such other documents and agreements as are customary and reasonably necessary to effectuate the Purchase in connection with the Closing.
  - 1.2 <u>Closing</u>. The closing of the Purchaser (the "<u>Closing"</u>) shall occur on such date (the "<u>Closing Date</u>") as is mutually acceptable to the Purchasers and CCH II, but no later than three business days after the date hereof.
- 2. Representations and Warranties of the CCH II Issuers. The CCH II Issuers jointly and severally represent and warrant to each Purchaser, as of the date hereof and as of the Closing Date, that:
  - 2.1 <u>Organization and Qualification</u>. Each of the CCH II Issuers is an entity duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction of its formation and has the requisite corporate or limited liability company power and authority to enter into and perform its obligations under this Agreement, and to own, lease and operate its assets and properties and to carry on its business as it is now being conducted.
  - 2.2 <u>Authorization and Binding Obligation</u>. Each of the CCH II Issuers has full corporate or limited liability company power to execute and deliver the Transaction Documents to which it is or will be a party. The execution and delivery of this Agreement by each CCH II Issuer and the performance of its obligations hereunder have been, and the execution and delivery of the other Transaction Documents by each CCH II Issuer and the performance of its obligations thereunder have been, duly authorized by all necessary corporate or limited liability company action, including any necessary approvals by their respective boards of directors or managers, and no other corporate or limited liability company proceedings on their part are or will be necessary for the execution and delivery of this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents and the performance of their obligations provided for herein and therein. This Agreement has been, and the other Transaction Documents have been, or on or prior to the Closing Date, will be duly executed and delivered by each CCH II Issuer and, assuming this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents are or, on or prior to the Closing Date will be, binding obligations of each Purchaser party thereto, this Agreement constitutes, and the other Transaction Documents constitute, or on or prior to the Closing Date will constitute, valid and binding obligations of the CCH II Issuers, enforceable against them in accordance with their respective terms, subject, as to enforcement, to bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization and other laws of general applicability relating to or affecting creditors' rights and to general equity principles.

#### 2.3 No Conflict; Required Filings and Consents.

- a. The execution and delivery of this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents by the CCH II Issuers and the performance of their obligations hereunder and thereunder will not (i) conflict with or violate the organizational documents of Charter Communications Holdings, LLC ("Holdings") or the CCH II Issuers or any of their direct or indirect subsidiaries or parent companies, (ii) conflict with or violate any Legal Requirement applicable to Holdings or the CCH II Issuers or any of their direct or indirect subsidiaries or parent companies, or by which any of their respective properties is bound or affected, or (iii) result in any breach of or constitute a default (or an event that with notice or lapse of time or both would become a default) under any note, bond, mortgage, indenture, contract, agreement, lease, license, permit, franchise or other instrument or obligation to which Holdings or the CCH II Issuers or any of their dire ct or indirect subsidiaries or parent companies are a party or by which any of them or any of their respective properties are bound or affected, except where (in the case of clauses (ii) and (iii)) any of the foregoing would not, either individually or in the aggregate, have or reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.
- b. The execution and delivery of this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents by the CCH II Issuers and the performance of their obligations hereunder and thereunder will not require any prior consent, approval or authorization, or prior filing with or notification to, any Governmental Authority, except where the failure to obtain such prior consents, approvals or permits, or to make such prior filings or notifications, would have or reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.
- 2.4 Material Disclosure. Charter Communications, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("CCI") has previously delivered to the Purchasers certain summary information regarding the business and financial condition of CCH II (the "CCH II Summary Information"). The non-financial information included in the CCH II Summary Information is accurate, as of the dates specified therein, in all material respects. The consolidated financial statements (including the notes thereto) included in the CCH II Summary Information present fairly in all material respects the respective consolidated financial positions, results of operations and cash flows of the entities to which they relate at the dates and for the periods to which they relate and have been prepared in accordance with United States generally accepted accounting principles applied on a consistent basis, subject to year end audit adjustments in the case of unaudited financial statements and to the exceptions to consistency related to the adoption of new generally accepted accounting principles described therein. There has been no change in the business or financial condition of CCI, Holdings, CCH II or their subsidiaries since December 31, 2002, which would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, except as has been disclosed in the CCH II Summary Information or contained or reflected in any press release issued prior to the date of this Agreement or in any report, schedule, form, statement or other document (together with all exhibits, financial pursuant to the reporting requirements of the Securities Exchange Act (including material filed pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d)). The CCH II Summary Information, taken together with the reports, schedules, forms, statements and other documents (together with all exhibits, finan cial statements, schedules and any amendments thereto) that have been filed by CCI or Holdings with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the reporting requirements of the Securities and any amendments thereto) that have been
- 2.5 <u>Rule 144A Eligibility</u>. On the Closing Date, the New Notes will not be of the same class as securities listed on a national securities exchange registered under Section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "<u>Exchange Act</u>") or quoted in an automated inter-dealer quotation system.
- 2.6 No Integration. Neither the CCH II Issuers nor any of their affiliates (as defined in Rule 501(b) of Regulation D of the Securities Act ("Regulation D")) has, directly or through any agent, sold, offered for sale, solicited offers to buy or otherwise negotiated in respect of, any security (as defined in the Securities Act), that is or will be integrated with the sale of the New Notes in a manner that would require registration of the New Notes under the Securities Act.

- 2.7 No General Solicitation. None of the CCH II Issuers nor any of their affiliates or any other person acting on its or their behalf (other than the Purchasers, as to which no representation is made) has solicited offers for, or offered or sold, the New Notes by means of any form of general solicitation or general advertising within the meaning of Rule 502(c) of Regulation D or in any manner involving a public offering within the meaning of Section 4(2) of the Securities Act.
- 2.8 <u>Securities Law Exemptions</u>. Assuming the accuracy of the representations and warranties of the Purchasers contained herein and their compliance with their agreements set forth herein, it is not necessary, in connection with the issuance and sale of the New Notes to the Purchasers, to register the New Notes under the Securities Act or to qualify the indenture relating to such New Notes under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended.
- 2.9 <u>Public Documents</u>. Holdings has filed all reports, registration statements, proxy statements, and other materials, together with any amendments required to be made with respect thereto, that were required to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Act or the Exchange Act from and after December 31, 2002 (all such reports and statements are collectively referred to herein as the "<u>Commission Filings</u>"). As of their respective dates, the Commission Filings, including the financial statements contained therein, complied in all material respects with all of the statutes and published rules and regulations enforced or promulgated by the regulatory authority with which the Commission Filings were filed, and, except to the extent the information in any Commission Filing has been revised or superseded by a later filed Commission Filing, did not contain any untrue statement of material fact or omit to state any material fact required to be stated therein or necessary in order to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.
- 3. Representations and Warranties of each Purchaser. Each Purchaser represents and warrants to the CCH II Issuers, as of the date hereof and as of the Closing Date, as follows:
  - 3.1 <u>Organization, Standing, and Authority</u>. Such Purchaser (i) is duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of its state of organization and (ii) has the requisite corporate or other entity power and authority to execute and deliver this Agreement and to perform its obligations hereunder.
  - 3.2 <u>Authorization and Binding Obligation</u>. The execution and delivery of this Agreement and any other Transaction Documents to which it will be a party and the performance by such Purchaser of its obligations hereunder and thereunder have been duly authorized by all necessary organizational action, including any necessary approval by its board of directors or other governing body, and no other organizational proceedings on its part are necessary for the execution and delivery of this Agreement and any other Transaction Documents to which it will be party and the performance of its obligations provided for herein and therein. This Agreement has been, and any other Transaction Documents to which it is a party will be, duly executed and delivered by it and, assuming this Agreement and such other Transaction Documents are binding obligations of the CCH II Issuers, this Agreement and such other Transaction Documents will constitute valid and binding obligations of it enforceable a gainst it in accordance with their terms, subject, as to enforcement, to bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization and other laws of general applicability relating to or affecting creditors' rights and to general equity principles.
  - 3.3 New Notes Not Registered. Such Purchaser understands that the New Notes, when issued, will not have been registered under the Securities Act and are issued in reliance upon an exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act, which depends upon, among other things, the accuracy of the representations of such Purchaser as expressed herein. Such Purchaser is not acquiring the New Notes with a view to any distribution thereof or with any present intention of offering or selling any of the New Notes in a transaction that would violate the Securities Act or the securities laws of any state of the United States or any other applicable jurisdiction. Such Purchaser has not offered, sold or delivered the New Notes to be acquired by such Purchaser, and will not offer, sell or deliver the New Notes, except pursuant to an effective registration statement under the Securities Act or an exemption from such registration to the extent available under the Securities Act. Such Purchaser understands and acknowledges that no public market now exists for the New Notes and that neither CCH II nor any affiliate thereof has made any assurances that a public market will ever exist for the New Notes.
  - 3.4 <u>Qualified Institutional Buyer</u>; <u>Knowledge</u>. Such Purchaser is a "qualified institutional buyer" as defined in Rule 144A promulgated under the Securities Act, with such knowledge and expertise in financial and business matters as are necessary in order to evaluate the merits and risks of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement, including the investment in the New Notes. Such Purchaser has reviewed the CCH II Summary Information, the Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002 and the Form 10-Q for the period ended June 30, 2003 for Holdings. Such Purchaser is aware of the business affairs and financial condition of the CCH II Issuers and has acquired sufficient information about the CCH II Issuers to reach an informed and knowledgeable decision to purchase the New Notes.

#### 4. Covenants.

- 4.1 <u>Reasonable Best Efforts to Close</u>. The CCH II Issuers and each Purchaser shall use commercially reasonable best efforts to take such actions as are necessary or desirable to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement; provided, however, that Purchaser need not incur out of pocket expenses which are not customary for transactions of this type to fulfill its obligations hereunder.
- 4.2 <u>Confidentiality.</u> Except as required by applicable law, the CCH II Issuers and their affiliates will keep confidential the fact that the Purchasers have entered into this Purchase with the same level of care the CCH II Issuers holds its own confidential and proprietary information.
- 4.3 <u>Supplying Information</u>. While the New Notes remain outstanding and are "restricted securities" within the meaning of Rule 144(a)(3) under the Securities Act, the CCH Issuers will, during any period in which they are not subject to and in compliance with Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act, furnish to holders of the New Notes and prospective purchasers of the New Notes designated by such holders, upon the request of such holders or such prospective purchasers, the information required to be delivered pursuant to Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act.
- 4.4 <u>PORTAL</u> and <u>DTC</u>. The CCH II Issuers shall use their best efforts to arrange, on or before the Closing Date, for the New Notes to be designated Private Offerings, Resales and Trading through Automated Linkages ("<u>PORTAL</u>") Market securities in accordance with the rules and regulations adopted by the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. ("<u>NASD</u>") relating to trading in the PORTAL Market and for the New Notes to be eligible for clearance and settlement through the Depositary Trust Company.
- 4.5 No Integration. Neither of the CCH II Issuers nor any of their affiliates (as defined in Rule 501(b) of Regulation D) will, directly or through any agent, sell, offer for sale, solicit offers to buy or otherwise negotiate in respect of, any security (as defined in the Securities Act), that is or will be integrated with the sale of the New Notes in a manner that would require registration of the New Notes under the Securities Act.
- 4.6 <u>No General Solicitation</u>. None of the CCH II Issuers or any of their affiliates or any other person acting on its or their behalf (other than the Purchasers, as to which no covenant is given) will solicit offers for, or offer or sell, the New Notes by means of any form of general solicitation or general advertising within the meaning of Rule 502(c) of Regulation D or in any manner involving a public offering within the meaning of Section 4(2) of the Securities Act.

#### 5. Conditions to Closing.

- 5.1 <u>Conditions to the Obligations of each Purchaser</u>. The obligations of each Purchaser to close the Purchase are subject to the fulfillment on or before the Closing Date of the following:
  - a. <u>No Injunction or Proceeding</u>. As of the Closing, there shall be no injunction, stay or restraining order in effect with respect to the transactions provided for herein and there shall not be pending or threatened any action, proceeding or investigation involving such Purchaser challenging or seeking damages from such Purchaser in connection with the Purchase or seeking to restrain or prohibit the consummation of the Purchase.
  - b. <u>Accuracy of Representations</u>. The representations and warranties made by the CCH II Issuers in this Agreement shall have been accurate in all material respects as of the date of this Agreement and shall be accurate in all material respects as of the Closing Date as if made on the Closing Date (except those qualified by Material Adverse Affect, which shall be accurate in all respects).
  - c. <u>Performance</u>. The covenants and obligations that the CCH II Issuers are required to comply with or to perform pursuant to this Agreement at or prior to the Closing shall have been complied with and performed in all material respects.
  - d. Execution and Delivery of Transaction Documents. The Transaction Documents shall have been executed and delivered by all parties thereto (other than the Purchasers) and delivered to the Purchaser.

- e. Minimum Issuance of New Notes. At least \$1.00 billion of New Notes, including New Notes to be issued under this Agreement and any other New Notes to be issued concurrently therewith, shall have been issued by the CCH II Issuers.
- f. Opinion of Counsel. Irell & Manella, LLP, counsel for the CCH II Issuers, shall have furnished to the Purchasers, at the request of the CCH II Issuers, their written opinion, dated the Closing Date and addressed to the Purchasers, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Purchasers, to the effect set forth in Annex A bereto.
- g. <u>PORTAL</u> and <u>DTC</u>. The CCH II Issuers shall have arranged for the New Notes to be designated PORTAL Market securities in accordance with the rules and regulations adopted by the NASD relating to trading in the PORTAL Market and for the New Notes to be eligible for clearance and settlement through the Depositary Trust Company.
- h. <u>Closing of Transactions Pursuant to Exchange Agreements</u>. The closing of all of the transactions contemplated by the Exchange Agreements shall have occurred (or shall occur simultaneously with the Closing hereunder).
- 5.2 <u>Conditions to the Obligations of the CCH II Issuers</u>. The obligations of the CCH II Issuers to close the Purchase are subject to the fulfillment on or before the Closing Date of the following:
  - a. <u>No Injunction</u>. As of the Closing, there shall be no injunction, stay or restraining order in effect with respect to the transactions provided for herein and there shall not be pending or threatened any action, proceeding or investigation challenging or seeking damages in connection with the Purchase or seeking to restrain or prohibit the consummation of the Purchase.
  - b. <u>Accuracy of Representations</u>. The representations and warranties made by each Purchaser in this Agreement shall have been accurate in all material respects as of the date of this Agreement and shall be accurate in all material respects as of the Closing Date as if made on the Closing Date.
  - c. <u>Performance</u>. The other covenants and obligations that each Purchaser is required to comply with or to perform pursuant to this Agreement at or prior to such Closing shall have been complied with and performed in all material respects.
  - d. Execution and Delivery of Transaction Documents. The Transaction Documents shall have been executed and delivered by all parties thereto (other than the CCH II Issuers) and delivered to CCH II.
  - e. <u>Closing of Transactions Pursuant to Exchange Agreements</u>. The closing of all of the transactions contemplated by the Exchange Agreements shall have occurred (or shall occur simultaneously with the Closing hereunder).

#### 6. Termination.

- 6.1 By Mutual Consent. This Agreement may be terminated at any time prior to the Closing Date by the mutual written consent of CCH II and the Purchasers.
- 6.2 <u>By Purchasers</u>. This Agreement may be terminated by the Purchasers, upon a material breach of any representation, warranty, covenant or agreement on the part of the CCH II Issuers set forth in this Agreement, or if any representation or warranty of the CCH II Issuers shall have become materially incorrect or untrue (or, in the case of representiations or warranties qualified by reference to a Material Adverse Effect, shall have become incorrect or untrue) in either case such that the conditions set forth in Section 5.1(a) or 5.1(b) would not be satisfied and in either case not less than one business day after written notice of such breach by the Purchasers to CCH II.
- 6.3 By the CCH II Issuers. This Agreement may be terminated by the CCH II Issuers, upon a material breach of any representation, warranty, covenant or agreement on the part of any Purchaser set forth in this Agreement, or if any representation or warranty of any Purchaser shall have become materially incorrect or untrue, in either case such that the conditions set forth in Section 5.2(a) or Section 5.2(b) would not be satisfied and in either case not less than one business day after written notice of such breach by CCH II to the Purchaser(s).
- 6.4 <u>Failure to Close</u>. If the Closing does not occur by September 24, 2003, then any Purchaser or the CCH II Issuers may terminate this Agreement by delivery of written notice of termination to the other parties hereto; provided, however, any party that is in material breach of this Agreement shall not have the right to terminate this Agreement pursuant to this Section 6.4.
- 6.5 <u>Effect of Termination</u>. If this Agreement is terminated as provided in this Section 6, then this Agreement will forthwith become null and void and there will be no liability on the part of any party hereto to any other party hereto or any other person or entity in respect thereof, provided that: (i) the obligations of the parties described in Section 7.3 will survive any such termination; and (ii) no such termination will relieve any party from liability for breach of its obligations under this Agreement, and in such event the other parties shall have all rights and remedies available at law or equity, including the right of specific performance against such party.

#### Miscellaneous.

- 7.1 <u>Governing Law</u>. This Agreement shall be governed in all respects by the internal laws of the State of New York without regard to principles of conflicts of law or choice of law.
- 7.2 <u>Further Assurances</u>; <u>Additional Documents</u>. The parties shall take any actions and execute any other documents that may be necessary or desirable to the implementation and consummation of this Agreement upon the reasonable request of the other party.
- 7.3 Fees and Expenses. Each party shall be responsible for its own fees and expenses incurred in connection with this Agreement.
- 7.4 Severability. If any term or provision of this Agreement is determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, illegal or incapable of being enforced by any rule of law or public policy, all other terms and provisions of this Agreement shall nevertheless remain in full force and effect so long as the economic or legal substance of the transactions contemplated hereby is not affected in any manner materially adverse to any party. Upon determination that any term or other provision of this Agreement is invalid, illegal or incapable of being enforced, the parties hereto shall negotiate in good faith to attempt to agree on a modification of this Agreement so as to effect the original intent of the parties as closely as possible to the fullest extent permitted by law in an acceptable manner to the end that the transactions contemplated hereby are fulfilled to the greatest extent possible.
- 7.5 Entire Agreement. This Agreement, the Confidentiality Agreement and the other Transaction Documents represent the entire agreement and understandings between the parties concerning the Purchase and the other matters described therein and supersedes and replaces any and all prior agreements and understandings.
- 7.6 No Oral Modification. This Agreement may only be amended in writing signed by the CCH II Issuers and by each Purchaser.
- 7.7 Notices. All notices, requests and other communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been duly given at the time of receipt if delivered by hand, by reputable overnight courier or by facsimile transmission (with receipt of successful and full transmission) to the applicable parties hereto at the address stated on the signature pages hereto or if any party shall have designated a different address or facsimile number by notice to the other party given as provided above, then to the last address or facsimile number so designated.
- 7.8 <u>Submission to Jurisdiction</u>. Each of the parties hereto (a) consents to submit itself to the personal jurisdiction of any federal court located in the state of New York or any New York state court in the event any dispute arises out of this Agreement or any of the transactions contemplated hereby, (b) agrees that it will not attempt to deny or defeat such personal jurisdiction by motion or other request for leave from any such court and (c) agrees that it will not bring any action relating to this Agreement or any of the transactions contemplated hereby in any court other than a federal or state court sitting in the state of New York.
- 7.9 NO JURY TRIAL. EACH OF THE PARTIES HERETO HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVES ANY AND ALL RIGHTS TO TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY LEGAL PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF OR RELATED TO THIS AGREEMENT OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY.
- 7.10 <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which together shall constitute one instrument. Facsimile signatures shall constitute original signatures.

#### CCH II'S SIGNATURE PAGE TO PURCHASE AGREEMENT

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties have executed this Agreement on the date set forth below.

		"CCH II"
Dated:	, 2003	CCH II, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company
		By:
		Name:
		Its:
		"CCH II CAPITAL"
Dated:	, 2003	CCH II CAPITAL CORP., a Delaware corporation
		By:
		Name:
		Its:

#### WIRE INSTRUCTIONS:

US Bank

ABA Routing #: 081 000 210

Account #: 152302057962

Ref: Proceeds from CCH II bonds

#### **Notice Address:**

Charter Communications, Inc. 12405 Powerscourt Drive St. Louis, Missouri 63131 Facsimile: (314) 965-8793

Attn: Carl Vogel and Curtis S. Shaw, Esq.

With a copy to: Irell & Manella LLP 1800 Avenue of the Stars, Suite 900 Los Angeles, CA 90067 Facsimile: (310) 203-7199 Attn: Alvin G. Segel, Esq.

Dated:, 2003	Purchaser Name	
	By:	
	Its:	
Purchaser Name and Address:		
Fax Number:		
Aggregate Cash Purchase Price:	Aggregate Principal Amount of New Notes	

"Purchaser"

## EXHIBIT A CERTAIN DEFINITIONS

 $\underline{\text{Definitions}}. \ \text{For purposes of this Agreement, the following terms shall have the following meanings:}$ 

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"Governmental Authority." means the United States of America, any state, commonwealth, territory or possession of the United States of America, any foreign state and any political subdivision or quasi governmental authority of any of the same, including any court, tribunal, department, commission, board, bureau, agency, county, municipality, province, parish or other instrumentality of any of the foregoing.

"Legal Requirement" means applicable common law and any statute, ordinance, code or other law, rule, regulation, order, technical or other written standard, requirement, policy or procedure enacted, adopted, promulgated, applied or followed by any Governmental Authority, including any judgment or order and all judicial decisions applying common law or interpreting any other Legal Requirement, in each case, as amended.

"Lien" means any security interest, any interest retained by the transferor under a conditional sale or other title retention agreement, mortgage, lien, pledge, option, encumbrance, adverse interest, constructive exception to, defect in or other condition affecting title or other ownership interest of any kind, which constitutes an interest in or claim against property, whether or not arising pursuant to any Legal Requirement.

"<u>Material Adverse Effect</u>" means a material adverse effect on (i) the business or condition (financial or otherwise) of CCH II and its direct and indirect subsidiaries, taken as a whole, but without giving effect to any effect resulting from changes in conditions that are applicable to the economy or the cable television industry on a national basis, or (ii) on the ability of the CCH II Issuers or their affiliates to perform their obligations under this Agreement.

 $\label{eq:securities} \begin{tabular}{l} $\underline{\tt Securities Act}$ " means the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the rules and regulations thereunder. \end{tabular}$ 

"Transaction Documents" means this Agreement and the other documents and instruments to be executed and delivered in connection herewith at or prior to the Closing, including without limitation the New Notes and the registration rights agreement and indenture referred to in this Agreement.

## CCI SENIOR NOTES EXCHANGE AGREEMENT

This CCI SENIOR NOTES EXCHANGE AGREEMENT (the "<u>Agreement</u>") is entered into as of the 18<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2003, by and among Charter Communications, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("<u>CCI</u>"), CCH II, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("<u>CCH II"</u>), CCH II Capital Corp., a Delaware corporation ("<u>Capital</u>" and, together with CCH II, the "<u>CCH II Issuers</u>"), and each of the affiliated holders listed on the schedules hereto (each a "<u>Holder</u>" and, collectively, the "<u>Holders</u>"), with reference to the following facts (capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings set forth in Exhibit A hereto):

- A. Each Holder is the beneficial owner of certain of the outstanding senior convertible notes (the "Old CCI Notes") of CCI as set forth on such Holder's Schedule I hereto;
- B. Each Holder wishes to exchange those Old CCI Notes owned by it that are listed on its Schedule I for new 10.25% Senior Notes due 2010 (the "New Notes") to be issued by the CCH II Issuers, on the basis set forth in this Agreement and on Schedule I;
- C. CCI wishes to effectuate such exchange on the terms and conditions set forth herein;
- NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing premises and the mutual covenants hereinafter contained, the parties hereto agree as follows:
- 1. Exchange. Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, each Holder agrees to sell, and CCI agrees to purchase, the Old CCI Notes owned by such Holder and set forth on such Holder's Schedule I in exchange for the New Notes, on the basis set forth in this Agreement and on such Schedule I. At the Closing (as defined below), or thereafter in the case of interest payments, the following transactions shall occur (such transactions in this Section 1 with respect to each Holder, the "Exchange"):
  - 1.1 Each Holder shall sell, assign and transfer to CCI (or its designee) all right, title and interest in and to, and all Claims in respect of, or arising or having arisen as a result of such Holder's status as a holder of, such Holder's Old CCI Notes listed on Schedule I for such Holder, free and clear of all Liens.
  - 1.2 CCI shall pay or cause to be paid to each Holder in cash the sum of (a) all accrued and unpaid interest on the Old CCI Notes transferred by such Holder pursuant to Section 1.1 to, but not including, the Closing Date (as defined below), on the basis set forth in the Old CCI Notes, and (b) in lieu of issuing fractional interests in New Notes, an amount equal to the principal amount (not to exceed \$1,000 for any Holder) of any fractional interests in New Notes which would have been issued but for the last sentence of Section 1.3. Such payment shall be made within three business days following the Closing Date.
  - 1.3 In exchange for the transfer, sale and assignment of the Old CCI Notes by each Holder to CCI, CCI shall deliver or cause to be delivered to such Holder the principal amount of New Notes as set forth on such Holder's Schedule I hereto. New Notes shall be issued only in minimum denominations of \$1,000 and integral multiples thereof, and no fractional interests in New Notes shall be issued.
  - 1.4 The New Notes shall be subject to an indenture with a trustee of national standing selected by CCI and the CCH II Issuers, which indenture shall be in the form attached hereto, together with such changes consented to in writing by the Holders (which consent shall not unreasonably be withheld). CCI shall cause the CCH II Issuers to enter into a registration rights agreement with each Holder, which agreement shall be in the form attached hereto, together with such changes consented to in writing by the Holders (which consent shall not unreasonably be withheld). Each of CCI and the CCH II Issuers and each Holder shall execute and/or deliver such other documents and agreements as are customary and reasonably necessary to effectuate the Exchange in connection with the Closing.
  - 1.5 <u>Closing</u>. The closing of the Exchange (the "<u>Closing</u>") shall occur on such date (the "<u>Closing Date</u>") as is mutually acceptable to the Holders and CCI, but no later than three business days after the date hereof.
- 2. Representations and Warranties of CCI and the CCH II Issuers. CCI and the CCH II Issuers jointly and severally represent and warrant to each Holder, as of the date hereof, and as of the Closing Date that:
  - 2.1 <u>Organization and Qualification</u>. Each of CCI and the CCH II Issuers is an entity duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction of its formation and has the requisite corporate or limited liability company power and authority to enter into and perform its obligations under the Transaction Documents to which it is a party, and to own, lease and operate its assets and properties and to carry on its business as it is now being conducted.
  - 2.2 <u>Authorization and Binding Obligation</u>. Each of CCI and the CCH II Issuers has full corporate or limited liability company power to execute and deliver the Transaction Documents to which it is or will be a party. The execution and delivery of this Agreement by CCI and the performance of its obligations hereunder have been, and the execution and delivery by each of CCI and the CCH II Issuers of the other Transaction Documents to which it is a party and the performance of their respective obligations thereunder have been duly authorized by all necessary corporate or limited liability company action, including any necessary approvals by their respective boards of directors or managers, and no other corporate or limited liability company proceedings on their part are or will be necessary for the execution and delivery of this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents by CCI and the CCH II Issuers, as the case may be, and the performance of their obligations provided for herein and therein. This Agreement has been, and the other Transaction Documents have been, or on or prior to the Closing Date will be each of CCI and the CCH II Issuers, as the case may be, and, assuming this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents are or, on or prior to the Closing Date, will be binding obligations of each Holder party thereto, this Agreement constitutes, and the other Transaction Documents constitute, or on or prior to the Closing Date will constitute, valid and binding obligations of CCI and the CCH II Issuers, as applicable, enforceable against them in accordance with their respective terms, subject, as to enforcement, to bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization and other laws of general applicability relating to or affecting creditors' rights and to general equity principles.
  - 2.3 No Conflict; Required Filings and Consents.
    - a. The execution and delivery of this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents by CCI and the CCH II Issuers, as the case may be, and the performance of their obligations hereunder and thereunder, will not (i) conflict with or violate the organizational documents of any of them or any of their direct or indirect subsidiaries or parent companies, (ii) conflict with or violate any Legal Requirement applicable to any of them or any of their direct or indirect subsidiaries or parent companies, or by which any of their respective properties is bound or affected, or (iii) result in any breach of or constitute a default (or an event that with notice or lapse of time or both would become a default) under any note, bond, mortgage, indenture, contract, agreement, lease, license, permit, franchise or other instrument or obligation to which any of them or any of their direct or indirect subsidiaries or parent companies are a party or by which any of them or any of their resp ective properties are bound or affected, except where (in the case of clauses (ii) and (iii)) any of the foregoing would not, either individually or in the aggregate, have or reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.
    - b. The execution and delivery of this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents by CCI and the CCH II Issuers, as the case may be, and the performance of their obligations hereunder and thereunder, will not require any prior consent, approval or authorization, or prior filing with or notification to, any Governmental Authority, except where the failure to obtain such prior consents, approvals or permits, or to make such prior filings or notifications, would not have or reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.
  - 2.4 Material Disclosure. CCI has previously delivered to the Holders certain summary information regarding the business and financial condition of CCH II (the "CCH II Summary Information"). The non-financial information included in the CCH II Summary Information is accurate, as of the dates specified therein, in all material respects. The consolidated financial statements (including the notes thereto) included in the CCH II Summary Information present fairly in all material respects the respective consolidated financial positions, results of operations and cash flows of the entities to which they relate at the dates and for the periods to which they relate and have been prepared in accordance with United States. generally accepted accounting principles applied on a consistent basis, subject to year end audit adjustments in the case of unaudited financial statements and to the exceptions to consistency related to the adoption of new generally accepted accounting principles described therein. There has been no change in the business or financial condition of CCI, Holdings, CCH II or their subsidiaries since December 31, 2002, which would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, except as has been disclosed in the CCH II Summary Information or contained or reflected in any press release issued prior to the date of this Agreement or in any report, schedule, form, statement or other document (together with all exhibits, financial statements, schedules and any amendments thereto) that has been filed by CCI or Holdings with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d)). The CCH II Summary Information, taken together with the reports, schedules, forms, statements and other documents (together with all exhibits, financial statements, schedules and any amendments thereto) that have been filed by CCI or Holdings with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the reporting requirements of the Securities Exchange Act (including material filed pursuant to Section 13(a) o

contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.

- 2.5 <u>Rule 144A Eligibility</u>. On the Closing Date, the New Notes will not be of the same class as securities listed on a national securities exchange registered under Section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or quoted in an automated inter-dealer quotation system.
- 2.6 No Integration. Neither the CCH II Issuers nor any of their affiliates (as defined in Rule 501(b) of Regulation D of the Securities Act ("Regulation D")) has, directly or through any agent, sold, offered for sale, solicited offers to buy or otherwise negotiated in respect of, any security (as defined in the Securities Act), that is or will be integrated with the sale of the New Notes in a manner that would require registration of the New Notes under the Securities Act.
- 2.7 No General Solicitation. None of the CCH II Issuers nor any of their affiliates or any other person acting on its or their behalf (other than the Holders, as to which no representation is made) has solicited offers for, or offered or sold, the New Notes by means of any form of general solicitation or general advertising within the meaning of Rule 502(c) of Regulation D or in any manner involving a public offering within the meaning of Section 4(2) of the Securities Act.
- 2.8 <u>Securities Law Exemptions</u>. Assuming the accuracy of the representations and warranties of the Holders contained herein and their compliance with their agreements set forth herein, it is not necessary, in connection with the issuance and sale of the New Notes to the Holders, to register the New Notes under the Securities Act or to qualify the indenture relating to such New Notes under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended.
- 2.9 <u>Public Documents</u>. CCI has filed all reports, registration statements, proxy statements, and other materials, together with any amendments required to be made with respect thereto, that were required to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Act or the Exchange Act from and after December 31, 2002 (all such reports and statements are collectively referred to herein as the "Commission Filings"). As of their respective dates, the Commission Filings, including the financial statements contained therein, complied in all material respects with all of the statutes and published rules and regulations enforced or promulgated by the regulatory authority with which the Commission Filings were filed, and, except to the extent the information in any Commission Filing has been revised or superseded by a later filed Commission Filing, did not contain any untrue statement of material fact or omit to state any material fact required to be stated therein or necessary in order to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.
- 3. Representations and Warranties of each Holder. Each Holder represents and warrants to CCI and the CCH II Issuers, as of the date hereof and as of the Closing Date, as follows:
  - 3.1 <u>Organization, Standing, and Authority</u>. Such Holder (i) is duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of its state of organization and (ii) has the requisite corporate or other entity power and authority to execute and deliver this Agreement and to perform its obligations hereunder.
  - 3.2 <u>Authorization and Binding Obligation</u>. The execution and delivery of this Agreement and any other Transaction Documents to which it will be a party and the performance by such Holder of its obligations hereunder and thereunder have been duly authorized by all necessary organizational action, including any necessary approval by its board of directors or other governing body, and no other organizational proceedings on its part are necessary for the execution and delivery of this Agreement and any other Transaction Documents to which it will be party and the performance of its obligations provided for herein and therein. This Agreement has been, and any other Transaction Documents to which it is a party will be, duly executed and delivered by it and, assuming this Agreement and such other Transaction Documents are binding obligations of CCI and the CCH II Issuers, as applicable, this Agreement and such other Transaction Documents will constitute valid and binding obligations of it enforceab le against it in accordance with their terms, subject, as to enforcement, to bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization and other laws of general applicability relating to or affecting creditors' rights and to general equity principles.
  - 3.3 Ownership of Securities. Such Holder owns, beneficially, all of the Old CCI Notes set forth in Column I on such Holder's Schedule I attached hereto. Such Holder owns all of such Old CCI Notes free and clear of any Liens (other than the obligations pursuant to this Agreement and except for such transfer restrictions of general applicability as may be provided under the Securities Act and the "blue sky" laws of the various states of the United States). Without limiting the foregoing, except for such Holder's obligations under this Agreement and except for such transfer restrictions of general applicability as may be provided under the Securities Act and the "blue sky" laws of the various States of the United States, such Holder has sole power of disposition with respect to all such Old CCI Notes, with no restrictions on its rights of disposition pertaining thereto and no person or entity other than such Holder has any righ t to direct or approve the disposition of any such Old CCI Notes. All of such Holder's Old CCI Notes are held for the account of such Holder by the entity named on its signature page of this Agreement.
  - 3.4 New Notes Not Registered. Such Holder understands that the New Notes, when issued, will not have been registered under the Securities Act and are issued in reliance upon an exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act, which depends upon, among other things, the accuracy of the representations of such Holder as expressed herein. Such Holder is not acquiring the New Notes with a view to any distribution thereof or with any present intention of offering or selling any of the New Notes in a transaction that would violate the Securities Act or the securities laws of any State of the United States or any other applicable jurisdiction. Such Holder has not offered, sold or delivered the New Notes to be acquired by such Holder, and will not offer, sell or deliver the New Notes except pursuant to an effective registration statement under the Securities Act or an exemption from such registration to the extent available under the Securities Act. Such Holder understands and acknowledges that no public market now exists for the New Notes and that neither CCI nor any affiliate thereof has made any assurances that a public market will ever exist for the New Notes.
  - 3.5 <u>Qualified Institutional Buyer</u>; <u>Knowledge</u>. Such Holder is a "qualified institutional buyer" as defined in Rule 144A promulgated under the Securities Act, with such knowledge and expertise in financial and business matters as are necessary in order to evaluate the merits and risks of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement, including the investment in the New Notes. Such Holder has reviewed the CCH II Summary Information and the Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002 and the Form 10-Q for the period ended June 30, 2003 for Holdings LLC. Such Holder is aware of the business affairs and financial condition of the CCH II Issuers and CCI and has acquired sufficient information about the CCH II Issuers and CCI to reach an informed and knowledgeable decision to exchange the Old CCI Notes for the New Notes.

#### 4. Covenants.

- 4.1 <u>Reasonable Best Efforts to Close</u>. CCI and each Holder shall use commercially reasonable best efforts to take such actions as are necessary or desirable to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement; provided, however, that Holder need not incur out of pocket expenses which are not customary for transactions of this type to fulfill its obligations hereunder.
- 4.2 <u>Limitations on Transfer</u>. During the period between the execution of this Agreement and ending at the earlier of (a) the termination of this Agreement, or (b) the Closing Date, no Holder shall sell, assign or transfer any interest in its Old CCI Notes which are the subject of this Agreement, or otherwise take any action which would inhibit or impair such Holder's ability to deliver such Old CCI Notes at the Closing in compliance with the terms of this Agreement. Subject to the restrictions set forth in Section 4.3 and the Confidentiality Agreement referred to therein, each Holder may sell, transfer or assign other Old CCI Notes owned by it which are not the subject of this Agreement.
- 4.3 <u>Confidentiality Agreement</u>. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary therein, the Confidentiality Agreement previously entered into between each Holder and Lazard Freres & Co. on behalf of CCI and the confidentiality and standstill obligations set forth therein, shall survive and remain in full force and effect and shall not expire until such time as CCI or any of its subsidiaries, parent companies or other affiliates makes a public announcement of this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby; provided that CCI shall make such public announcement as soon as practicable after this Agreement has been entered into by all parties, but in no event later than twenty-four hours after this Agreement has been entered into by all parties. If CCI fails to make a public announcement in accordance with this Section 4.3, the Confidentiality Agreement referred to herein, and all obligations of the parties thereunder, shall terminate automatically. Except as required by applicable law, CCI, the CCH II Issuers and their affiliates will keep confidential the participation of the Holder in this exchange and the amount of Old CCI Notes sold by it hereunder, and CCI, the CCH II Issuers, their affiliates and the Holders will keep confidential the consideration received by Holder for the Old CCI Notes, in each case with the same level of care such party holds its own confidential and proprietary information.
- 4.4 <u>Supplying Information</u>. While the New Notes remain outstanding and are "restricted securities" within the meaning of Rule 144(a)(3) under the Securities Act, the CCH Issuers will, during any period in which they are not subject to and in compliance with Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act, furnish to holders of the New Notes and prospective purchasers of the New Notes designated by such holders, upon the request of such holders or such prospective purchasers, the information required to be delivered pursuant to Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act.
- 4.5 <u>PORTAL and DTC</u>. The CCH II Issuers shall use their best efforts to arrange, on or before the Closing Date, for the New Notes to be designated Private Offerings, Resales and Trading through Automated Linkages ("PORTAL") Market securities in accordance with the rules and regulations adopted by the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. ("NASD") relating to trading in the PORTAL Market and for the New Notes to be eligible for clearance and settlement through the Depositary Trust Company.

- 4.6 No Integration. Neither of the CCH II Issuers nor any of their affiliates (as defined in Rule 501(b) of Regulation D) will, directly or through any agent, sell, offer for sale, solicit offers to buy or otherwise negotiate in respect of, any security (as defined in the Securities Act), that is or will be integrated with the sale of the New Notes in a manner that would require registration of the New Notes under the Securities Act.
- 4.7 No General Solicitation. None of the CCH II Issuers or any of their affiliates or any other person acting on its or their behalf (other than the Holders, as to which no covenant is given) will solicit offers for, or offer or sell, the New Notes by means of any form of general solicitation or general advertising within the meaning of Rule 502(c) of Regulation D or in any manner involving a public offering within the meaning of Section 4(2) of the Securities Act.
- 4.8 <u>Cancellation; No Distribution of Old CCI Notes</u>. Upon receipt of the Old CCI Notes by CCI, such Old CCI Notes will be cancelled and will cease to be outstanding. Neither CCI nor the CCH II Issuers shall resell or reissue the Old CCI Notes in any manner that would cause the Holder to be engaged in a distribution of the Old CCI Notes under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.
- 4.9 <u>Tax Treatment</u>. The parties agree to treat the issuance of the New Notes in exchange for the Old CCI Notes as a taxable exchange for United States federal income tax purposes, unless otherwise required by law, and acknowledge that, depending upon the circumstances, the New Notes may bear original issue discount.

#### Conditions to Closing

- 5.1 <u>Conditions to the Obligations of each Holder</u>. The obligations of each Holder to close the Exchange are subject to the fulfillment on or before the Closing Date of the following:
  - a. <u>No Injunction or Proceeding</u>. As of the Closing, there shall be no injunction, stay or restraining order in effect with respect to the transactions provided for herein and there shall not be pending or threatened any action, proceeding or investigation involving such Holder challenging or seeking damages from such Holder in connection with the Exchange or seeking to restrain or prohibit the consummation of the Exchange.
  - b. <u>Accuracy of Representations</u>. The representations and warranties made by CCI and the CCH II Issuers in this Agreement shall have been accurate in all material respects as of the date of this Agreement and shall be accurate in all material respects as of the Closing Date as if made on the Closing Date (except those qualified by Material Adverse Affect, which shall be accurate in all respects).
  - c. <u>Performance</u>. The covenants and obligations that CCI and the CCH II Issuers are required to comply with or to perform pursuant to this Agreement at or prior to the Closing shall have been complied with and performed in all material respects.
  - d. Execution and Delivery of Transaction Documents. The Transaction Documents shall have been executed and delivered by all parties thereto (other than the Holders) and delivered to the Holder.
  - e. Minimum Issuance of New Notes. At least \$1.00 billion of New Notes, including New Notes to be issued under this Agreement and any other New Notes to be issued concurrently therewith, shall have been issued by the CCH II Issuers.
  - f. Opinion of Counsel. Irell & Manella, LLP, counsel for the CCH II Issuers, shall have furnished to the Holders, at the request of the CCH II Issuers, their written opinion, dated the Closing Date and addressed to the Holders, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Holders, to the effect set forth in Annex A hereto.
  - g. PORTAL and DTC. The CCH II Issuers shall have arranged for the New Notes to be designated Private Offerings, Resales and Trading through Automated Linkages ("PORTAL") Market securities in accordance with the rules and regulations adopted by the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. ("NASD") relating to trading in the PORTAL Market and for the New Notes to be eligible for clearance and settlement through the Depositary Trust Company.
- 5.2 Conditions to the Obligations of CCI. The obligations of CCI to close the Exchange are subject to the fulfillment on or before the Closing Date of the following:
  - a. No Injunction or Proceeding. As of the Closing, there shall be no injunction, stay or restraining order in effect with respect to the transactions provided for herein and there shall not be pending or threatened any action, proceeding or investigation challenging or seeking damages in connection with the Exchange or seeking to restrain or prohibit the consummation of the Exchange.
  - b. <u>Accuracy of Representations</u>. The representations and warranties made by each Holder in this Agreement shall have been accurate in all material respects as of the date of this Agreement and shall be accurate in all material respects as of the Closing Date as if made on the Closing Date.
  - c. <u>Performance</u>. The other covenants and obligations that each Holder is required to comply with or to perform pursuant to this Agreement at or prior to such Closing shall have been complied with and performed in all material respects.
  - d. Execution and Delivery of Transaction Documents. The Transaction Documents shall have been executed and delivered by all parties thereto (other than CCI and the CCH II Issuers) and delivered to CCI.
  - e. <u>Appraisal</u>. CCI and Holdings shall have obtained an appraisal with respect to the fair market value of the CCH II Notes being distributed to CCI to enable CCI to consummate the Exchange, which appraisal shall comply with the requirements of the indentures governing the outstanding senior notes and senior discount notes of Holdings.

#### 6. Termination.

- 6.1 By Mutual Consent. This Agreement may be terminated at any time prior to the Closing Date by the mutual written consent of CCI and the Holders.
- 6.2 <u>By Holders</u>. This Agreement may be terminated by the Holders, upon a material breach of any representation, warranty, covenant or agreement on the part of CCI or the CCH II Issuers set forth in this Agreement, or if any representation or warranty of CCI or the CCH II Issuers shall have become materially incorrect or untrue (or, in the case of representiations or warranties qualified by reference to a Material Adverse Effect, shall have become incorrect or untrue), in either case such that the conditions set forth in Section 5.1(a) or 5.1(b) would not be satisfied and in either case not less than one business day after written notice of such breach by the Holders to CCI.
- 6.3 <u>By CCI</u>. This Agreement may be terminated by CCI, upon a material breach of any representation, warranty, covenant or agreement on the part of any Holder set forth in this Agreement, or if any representation or warranty of any Holder shall have become materially incorrect or untrue, in either case such that the conditions set forth in Section 5.2(a) or Section 5.2(b) would not be satisfied and in either case not less than one business day after written notice of such breach by CCI to the Holder(s).
- 6.4 <u>Failure to Close</u>. If the Closing does not occur by September 24, 2003, then any Holder or CCI may terminate this Agreement by delivery of written notice of termination to the other parties hereto; provided, however, any party that is in material breach of this Agreement shall not have the right to terminate this Agreement pursuant to this Section 6.4.
- 6.5 Effect of Termination. If this Agreement is terminated as provided in this Section 6, then this Agreement will forthwith become null and void and there will be no liability on the part of any party hereto to any other party hereto or any other person or entity in respect thereof, provided that: (i) the obligations of the parties described in Section 7.3 will survive any such termination; and (ii) no such termination will relieve any party from liability for breach of its obligations under this Agreement, and in such event the other parties shall have all rights and remedies available at law or equity, including the right of specific performance against such party.

#### 7. Miscellaneous

- 7.1 Governing Law. This Agreement shall be governed in all respects by the internal laws of the State of New York without regard to principles of conflicts of law or choice of law.
- 7.2 <u>Further Assurances</u>; <u>Additional Documents</u>. The parties shall take any actions and execute any other documents that may be necessary or desirable to the implementation and consummation of this Agreement upon the reasonable request of the other party.
- 7.3 Fees and Expenses. Each party shall be responsible for its own fees and expenses incurred in connection with this Agreement.
- 7.4 Severability. If any term or provision of this Agreement is determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, illegal or incapable of being enforced by any rule of law or public policy, all other terms and provisions of this Agreement shall nevertheless remain in full force and effect so long as the economic or legal substance of the transactions contemplated hereby is not affected in any manner materially adverse to any party. Upon determination that any term or other provision of this Agreement is invalid, illegal or incapable of being enforced, the parties hereto shall negotiate in good faith to attempt to agree on a modification of this Agreement so as to effect the original intent of the parties as closely as possible to the fullest extent permitted by law in an acceptable manner to the end that the transactions contemplated hereby are fulfilled to the greatest extent possible.

- 7.5 Entire Agreement. This Agreement, the Confidentiality Agreement and the other Transaction Documents represent the entire agreement and understandings between the parties concerning the Exchange and the other matters described therein and supersedes and replaces any and all prior agreements and understandings.
- 7.6 No Oral Modification. This Agreement may only be amended in writing signed by CCI and by each Holder.
- 7.7 Notices. All notices, requests and other communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been duly given at the time of receipt if delivered by hand, by reputable overnight courier or by facsimile transmission (with receipt of successful and full transmission) to the applicable parties hereto at the address stated on the signature pages hereto or if any party shall have designated a different address or facsimile number by notice to the other party given as provided above, then to the last address or facsimile number so designated.
- 7.8 <u>Submission to Jurisdiction</u>. Each of the parties hereto (a) consents to submit itself to the personal jurisdiction of any federal court located in the state of New York or any New York state court in the event any dispute arises out of this Agreement or any of the transactions contemplated hereby, (b) agrees that it will not attempt to deny or defeat such personal jurisdiction by motion or other request for leave from any such court and (c) agrees that it will not bring any action relating to this Agreement or any of the transactions contemplated hereby in any court other than a federal or state court sitting in the state of New York.

7.9 EACH OF THE PARTIES HERETO HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVES ANY AND ALL RIGHTS TO TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY LEGAL PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF OR RELATED TO THIS AGREEMENT OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY.

7.10 <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which together shall constitute one instrument. Facsimile signatures shall constitute original signatures.

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		CCI'S SIGNATURE PAGE TO EXCHANGE AGREEMENT
WITNESS WHEREOF th	ne parties have executed this Ag	reement on the date set forth below.
		"CCI"
Dated:	, 2003	Charter Communications, Inc.
		Ву:
		Name:
		Its:
		"CCH II"
Dated:	, 2003	CCH II, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company
		Ву:
		Name:
		Its:
		"CCH II CAPITAL"
Dated:	, 2003	CCH II CAPITAL CORP., a Delaware corporation
		By:
		Name:
		Its:

## **Notice Address:**

Charter Communications, Inc. 12405 Powerscourt Drive St. Louis, Missouri 63131 Facsimile: (314) 965-8793 Attn: Carl Vogel and Curtis S. Shaw, Esq. With a copy to: Irell & Manella LLP 1800 Avenue of the Stars, Suite 900 Los Angeles, CA 90067 Facsimile: (310) 203-7199 Attn: Alvin G. Segel, Esq.

# HOLDER'S SIGNATURE PAGE TO EXCHANGE AGREEMENT "Holder" Dated: \_\_\_\_\_, 2003 Holder Name By: Name: Its: THE SIGNATURE(S) MUST BE GUARANTEED BY AN ELIGIBLE GUARANTOR INSTITUTION (BANKS, STOCKBROKERS, SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATIONS AND CREDIT UNIONS WITH MEMERSHIP IN AN APPROVED SIGNATURE GUARANTEE MEDALLION PROGRAM). MEDALLION GUARANTEE: Name of nominee holder or DTC Participant(s) holding Old CCI Notes for the benefit of Holder: DTC Participant Number:\_\_ Holder Name and Address: Fax Number:

SCHEDULE I	
NAME OF HOLDER:	

Title of Old CCI Notes to be Exchanged	Column I -Principal Amount of Old CCI Notes owned by Holder to be Exchanged by Holder Pursuant to Section 1.1	Column IIPrincipal Amount of CCH II Notes to be received in exchange for Old CCI Notes
5.75% Convertible Senior Notes due 2005	\$	\$
4.75% Convertible Senior Notes due 2006	\$	\$

# EXHIBIT A CERTAIN DEFINITIONS

<u>Definitions</u>. For purposes of this Agreement, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

"Claims" means any claims, actions, causes of action, liabilities, agreements, demands, damages, debts, rights, interests, obligations, suits, judgments and charges of whatever nature, whether liquidated or unliquidated, fixed or contingent, matured or unmatured, foreseen or unforeseen, known or unknown, that exist or may exist as of the date of this Agreement, or thereafter arising in law, equity or otherwise.

"Governmental Authority" means the United States of America, any state, commonwealth, territory or possession of the United States of America, any foreign state and any political subdivision or quasi governmental authority of any of the same, including any court, tribunal, department, commission, board, bureau, agency, county, municipality, province, parish or other instrumentality of any of the foregoing.

"<u>Legal Requirement</u>" means applicable common law and any statute, ordinance, code or other law, rule, regulation, order, technical or other written standard, requirement, policy or procedure enacted, adopted, promulgated, applied or followed by any Governmental Authority, including any judgment or order and all judicial decisions applying common law or interpreting any other Legal Requirement, in each case, as amended.

"Lien" means any security interest, any interest retained by the transferor under a conditional sale or other title retention agreement, mortgage, lien, pledge, option, encumbrance, adverse interest, constructive exception to, defect in or other condition affecting title or other ownership interest of any kind, which constitutes an interest in or claim against property, whether or not arising pursuant to any Legal Requirement.

"<u>Material Adverse Effect</u>" means a material adverse effect on (i) the business or condition (financial or otherwise) of CCI or CCH II and, in each case, its direct and indirect subsidiaries, taken as a whole, but without giving effect to any effect resulting from changes in conditions that are applicable to the economy or the cable television industry on a national basis, (ii) on the ability of CCI to perform its obligations under this Agreement or (iii) the ability of the CCH II Issuers to issue the New Notes in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

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"Transaction Documents" means this Agreement and the other documents and instruments to be executed and delivered in connection herewith at or prior to the Closing, including without limitation the New Notes and the registration rights agreements and indentures referred to in this Agreement.

# HOLDINGS SENIOR NOTES EXCHANGE AGREEMENT

This HOLDINGS SENIOR NOTES EXCHANGE AGREEMENT (the "Agreement") is entered into as of the 18<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2003, by and among CCH II, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("CCH II"), CCH II Capital Corp., a Delaware corporation ("Capital" and, together with CCH II, the "CCH II Issuers"), Charter Communications Holdings, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("Holdings LLC"), Charter Communications Holdings Capital Corporation, a Delaware corporation ("Holdings Capital" and, together with Holdings LLC, "Holdings"), and each of the affiliated holders listed on the schedules hereto (each a "Holder" and, collectively, the "Holders"), with reference to the following facts (capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings set forth in Exhibit A hereto):

- A. Each Holder is the beneficial owner of certain of the outstanding senior notes (the "Old Notes") issued by Holdings LLC and Holdings Capital, as set forth on such Holder's Schedule I hereto:
- B. Each Holder wishes to exchange those Old Notes owned by it that are listed on its Schedule I for new 10.25% Senior Notes due 2010 (the "New Notes") to be issued by the CCH II Issuers, on the basis set forth in this Agreement and on Schedule I; and
- C. The CCH II Issuers wish to effectuate such exchange on the terms and conditions set forth herein;
- NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing premises and the mutual covenants hereinafter contained, the parties hereto agree as follows:
- 1. Exchange. Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, each Holder agrees to sell, and the CCH II Issuers agree to purchase, the Old Notes owned by such Holder and set forth on such Holder's Schedule I in exchange for New Notes, on the basis set forth in this Agreement and on such Schedule I. At the Closing (as defined below), or thereafter in the case of interest payments, the following transactions shall occur (such transactions in this Section 1 with respect to each Holder, the "Exchange"):
  - 1.1 Each Holder shall sell, assign and transfer to the CCH II Issuers (or their designee) all right, title and interest in and to, and all Claims in respect of, or arising or having arisen as a result of such Holder's status as a holder of, such Holder's Old Notes listed on Schedule I for such Holder, free and clear of all Liens.
  - 1.2 The CCH II Issuers shall pay or cause to be paid to each Holder in cash the sum of (a) all accrued and unpaid interest on the Old Notes (other than Old Notes which are senior discount notes) transferred by such Holder pursuant to Section 1.1 to, but not including, the Closing Date (as defined below), on the basis set forth in the Old Notes, and (b) in lieu of issuing fractional interests in New Notes, an amount equal to the principal amount (not to exceed \$1,000 for any Holder) of any fractional interests in New Notes which would have been issued but for the last sentence of Section 1.3. Such payment shall be made within three business days following the Closing Date.
  - 1.3 In exchange for the transfer, sale and assignment of the Old Notes by each Holder to the CCH II Issuers, the CCH II Issuers shall deliver or cause to be delivered to such Holder the principal amount of New Notes as set forth on such Holder's Schedule I hereto. New Notes shall be issued only in minimum denominations of \$1,000 and integral multiples thereof, and no fractional interests in New Notes shall be issued.
  - 1.4 The New Notes shall be subject to an indenture with a trustee of national standing selected by the CCH II Issuers, which indenture shall be in the form attached hereto, together with such changes consented to in writing by the Holders (which consent shall not unreasonably be withheld). The CCH II Issuers shall enter into a registration rights agreement with each Holder, which agreement shall be in the form attached hereto, together with such changes consented to in writing by the Holders (which consent shall not unreasonably be withheld). Each of the CCH II Issuers and each Holder shall execute and/or deliver such other documents and agreements as are customary and reasonably necessary to effectuate the Exchange in connection with the Closing.
  - 1.5 <u>Closing</u>. The closing of the Exchange (the "<u>Closing</u>") shall occur on such date (the "<u>Closing Date</u>") as is mutually acceptable to the Holders and CCH II, but no later than three business days after the date hereof.
- 2. Representations and Warranties of the CCH II Issuers. The CCH II Issuers jointly and severally represent and warrant to each Holder, as of the date hereof and as of the Closing Date, that:
  - 2.1 <u>Organization and Qualification</u>. Each of the CCH II Issuers is an entity duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction of its formation and has the requisite corporate or limited liability company power and authority to enter into and perform its obligations under this Agreement, and to own, lease and operate its assets and properties and to carry on its business as it is now being conducted.
  - 2.2 <u>Authorization and Binding Obligation</u>. Each of the CCH II Issuers has full corporate or limited liability company power to execute and deliver the Transaction Documents to which it is or will be a party. The execution and delivery of this Agreement by each CCH II Issuer and the performance of its obligations hereunder have been, and the execution and delivery of the other Transaction Documents by each CCH II Issuer and the performance of its obligations thereunder have been, duly authorized by all necessary corporate or limited liability company action, including any necessary approvals by their respective boards of directors or managers, and no other corporate or limited liability company proceedings on their part are or will be necessary for the execution and delivery of this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents and the performance of their obligations provided for herein and therein. This Agreement has been, and the other Transaction Documents have been, or on or prior to the Closing Date, will be duly executed and delivered by each CCH II Issuer and, assuming this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents are or, on or prior to the Closing Date will be, binding obligations of each Holder party thereto, this Agreement constitutes, and the other Transaction Documents constitute, or on or prior to the Closing Date will constitute, valid and binding obligations of the CCH II Issuers, enforceable against them in accordance with their respective terms, subject, as to enforcement, to bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization and other laws of general applicability relating to or affecting creditors' rights and to general equity principles.

#### 2.3 No Conflict; Required Filings and Consents.

- a. The execution and delivery of this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents by the CCH II Issuers and the performance of their obligations hereunder and thereunder will not (i) conflict with or violate the organizational documents of Holdings LLC, Holdings Capital, the CCH II Issuers or any of their direct or indirect subsidiaries or parent companies, (ii) conflict with or violate any Legal Requirement applicable to Holdings LLC, Holdings Capital, the CCH II Issuers or any of their direct or indirect subsidiaries or parent companies, or by which any of their respective properties is bound or affected, or (iii) result in any breach of or constitute a default (or an event that with notice or lapse of time or both would become a default) under any note, bond, mortgage, indenture, contract, agreement, lease, license, permit, franchise or other instrument or obligation to which Holdings LLC, Holdings Capital, the CCH II Issuers or any of their direct or indirect su bsidiaries or parent companies are a party or by which any of them or any of their respective properties are bound or affected, except where (in the case of clauses (ii) and (iii)) any of the foregoing would not, either individually or in the aggregate, have or reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.
- b. The execution and delivery of this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents by the CCH II Issuers and the performance of their obligations hereunder and thereunder will not require any prior consent, approval or authorization, or prior filing with or notification to, any Governmental Authority, except where the failure to obtain such prior consents, approvals or permits, or to make such prior filings or notifications, would have or reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.
- 2.4 Material Disclosure. Charter Communications, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("CCI") has previously delivered to the Holders certain summary information regarding the business and financial condition of CCH II (the "CCH II Summary Information"). The non-financial information included in the CCH II Summary Information is accurate, as of the dates specified therein, in all material respects. The consolidated financial statements (including the notes thereto) included in the CCH II Summary Information present fairly in all material respects the respective consolidated financial positions, results of operations and cash flows of the entities to which they relate at the dates and for the periods to which they relate and have been prepared in accordance with United States generally accepted accounting principles applied on a consistent basis, subject to year end audit adjustments in the case of unaudited financial statements and to the exceptions to consistency rela ted to the adoption of new generally accepted accounting principles described therein. There has been no change in the business or financial condition of CCI, Holdings, CCH II or their subsidiaries since December 31, 2002, which would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, except as has been disclosed in the CCH II Summary Information or contained or reflected in any press release issued prior to the date of this Agreement or in any report, schedule, form, statement or other document (together with all exhibits, financial statements, schedules and any amendments thereto) that has been filed by CCI or Holdings with the Securities and Exchange Commission prior to the date of this Agreement pursuant to the reporting requirements of the Securities Exchange Act (including material filed pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d)). The CCH II Summary Information, taken together with the reports, schedules, forms, statements and other documents (together with all exhibits, financial statements, sc hedules and any amendments thereto) that have been fi

- by CCI or Holdings with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the reporting requirements of the Securities Exchange Act (including material filed pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d)), does not contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.
- 2.5 <u>Same Issuer</u>. The issuer of the New Notes and the issuer of the Old Notes is the same entity for United States federal income tax purposes, assuming that the respective corporate co-issuers are not treated as issuers for such tax purposes.
- 2.6 Rule 144A Eligibility. On the Closing Date, the New Notes will not be of the same class as securities listed on a national securities exchange registered under Section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act") or quoted in an automated inter-dealer quotation system.
- 2.7 No Integration. Neither the CCH II Issuers nor any of their affiliates (as defined in Rule 501(b) of Regulation D of the Securities Act ("Regulation D")) has, directly or through any agent, sold, offered for sale, solicited offers to buy or otherwise negotiated in respect of, any security (as defined in the Securities Act), that is or will be integrated with the sale of the New Notes in a manner that would require registration of the New Notes under the Securities Act.
- 2.8 No General Solicitation. None of the CCH II Issuers nor any of their affiliates or any other person acting on its or their behalf (other than the Holders, as to which no representation is made) has solicited offers for, or offered or sold, the New Notes by means of any form of general solicitation or general advertising within the meaning of Rule 502(c) of Regulation D or in any manner involving a public offering within the meaning of Section 4(2) of the Securities Act.
- 2.9 <u>Securities Law Exemptions</u>. Assuming the accuracy of the representations and warranties of the Holders contained herein and their compliance with their agreements set forth herein, it is not necessary, in connection with the issuance and sale of the New Notes to the Holders, to register the New Notes under the Securities Act or to qualify the indenture relating to such New Notes under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended.
- 2.10 <u>Public Documents</u>. Holdings has filed all reports, registration statements, proxy statements, and other materials, together with any amendments required to be made with respect thereto, that were required to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Act or the Exchange Act from and after December 31, 2002 (all such reports and statements are collectively referred to herein as the "Commission Filings"). As of their respective dates, the Commission Filings, including the financial statements contained therein, complied in all material respects with all of the statutes and published rules and regulations enforced or promulgated by the regulatory authority with which the Commission Filings were filed, and, except to the extent the information in any Commission Filing has been revised or superseded by a later filed Commission Filing, did not contain any untrue statement of material fact or omit to state any material fact required to be stated therein or n ecessary in order to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.
- 3. Representations and Warranties of each Holder. Each Holder represents and warrants to the CCH II Issuers, as of the date hereof and as of the Closing Date, as follows:
  - 3.1 <u>Organization, Standing, and Authority</u>. Such Holder (i) is duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of its state of organization and (ii) has the requisite corporate or other entity power and authority to execute and deliver this Agreement and to perform its obligations hereunder.
  - 3.2 <u>Authorization and Binding Obligation</u>. The execution and delivery of this Agreement and any other Transaction Documents to which it will be a party and the performance by such Holder of its obligations hereunder and thereunder have been duly authorized by all necessary organizational action, including any necessary approval by its board of directors or other governing body, and no other organizational proceedings on its part are necessary for the execution and delivery of this Agreement and any other Transaction Documents to which it will be party and the performance of its obligations provided for herein and therein. This Agreement has been, and any other Transaction Documents to which it is a party will be, duly executed and delivered by it and, assuming this Agreement and such other Transaction Documents are binding obligations of the CCH II Issuers, this Agreement and such other Transaction Documents will constitute valid and binding obligations of it enforceable against it in accord ance with their terms, subject, as to enforcement, to bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization and other laws of general applicability relating to or affecting creditors' rights and to general equity principles.
  - 3.3 Ownership of Securities. Such Holder owns, beneficially, all of the Old Notes set forth in Column I on such Holder's Schedule I attached hereto. Such Holder owns all of such Old Notes free and clear of any Liens (other than the obligations pursuant to this Agreement and except for such transfer restrictions of general applicability as may be provided under the Securities Act and the "blue sky" laws of the various States of the United States). Without limiting the foregoing, except for such Holder's obligations under this Agreement and except for such transfer restrictions of general applicability as may be provided under the Securities Act and the "blue sky" laws of the various States of the United States, such Holder has sole power of disposition with respect to all such Old Notes, with no restrictions on its rights of disposition pertaining thereto and no person or entity other than such Holder has any right to direct or approve the disposition of any such Old Notes. All of such Holder's Old Notes are held for the account of such Holder by the entity named on its signature page of this Agreement.
  - 3.4 New Notes Not Registered. Such Holder understands that the New Notes, when issued, will not have been registered under the Securities Act and are issued in reliance upon an exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act, which depends upon, among other things, the accuracy of the representations of such Holder as expressed herein. Such Holder is not acquiring the New Notes with a view to any distribution thereof or with any present intention of offering or selling any of the New Notes in a transaction that would violate the Securities Act or the securities laws of any state of the United States or any other applicable jurisdiction. Such Holder has not offered, sold or delivered the New Notes to be acquired by such Holder, and will not offer, sell or deliver the New Notes, except pursuant to an effective registration statement under the Securities Act or an exemption from such registration to the extent available under the Securities Act. Such Holder understands and acknowl edges that no public market now exists for the New Notes and that neither CCH II nor any affiliate thereof has made any assurances that a public market will ever exist for the New Notes.
  - 3.5 <u>Qualified Institutional Buyer; Knowledge</u>. Such Holder is a "qualified institutional buyer" as defined in Rule 144A promulgated under the Securities Act, with such knowledge and expertise in financial and business matters as are necessary in order to evaluate the merits and risks of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement, including the investment in the New Notes. Such Holder has reviewed the CCH II Summary Information, the Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002 and the Form 10-Q for the period ended June 30, 2003 for Holdings LLC. Such Holder is aware of the business affairs and financial condition of the CCH II Issuers and Holdings and has acquired sufficient information about the CCH II Issuers and Holdings to reach an informed and knowledgeable decision to exchange the Old Notes for the New Notes.

#### 4. Covenants.

- 4.1 <u>Reasonable Best Efforts to Close</u>. The CCH II Issuers and each Holder shall use commercially reasonable best efforts to take such actions as are necessary or desirable to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement; provided, however, that Holder need not incur out of pocket expenses which are not customary for transactions of this type to fulfill its obligations hereunder.
- 4.2 <u>Limitations on Transfer</u>. During the period between the execution of this Agreement and ending at the earlier of (a) the termination of this Agreement, or (b) the Closing Date, no Holder shall sell, assign or transfer any interest in its Old Notes which are the subject of this Agreement, or otherwise take any action which would inhibit or impair such Holder's ability to deliver such Old Notes at the Closing in compliance with the terms of this Agreement. Subject to the restrictions set forth in Section 4.3 and the Confidentiality Agreement referred to therein, each Holder may sell, transfer or assign other Old Notes owned by it which are not the subject of this Agreement.
- 4.3 <u>Confidentiality Agreement.</u> Notwithstanding anything to the contrary therein, the Confidentiality Agreement previously entered into between each Holder and Lazard Freres & Co. on behalf of Charter Communications, Inc., and the confidentiality and standstill obligations set forth therein, shall survive and remain in full force and effect and shall not expire until such time as CCH II or any of its subsidiaries, parent companies or other affiliates makes a public announcement of this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby; provided that CCH II shall make such public announcement as soon as practicable after this Agreement has been entered into by all parties, but in no event later than twenty-four hours after this Agreement has been entered into by all parties. If CCH II fails to make a public announcement in accordance with his Section 4.3, the Confidentiality Agreement referred to herein, and all obligations of the parties thereunder, shall terminate automatically. Except as required by applicable law, the CCH II Issuers and their affiliates will keep confidential the participation of the Holder in this exchange and the amount of Old Notes sold by it hereunder, and the CCH II Issuers, their affiliates and the Holder will keep confidential the consideration received by Holder for the Old Notes, in each case with the same level of care such party holds its own confidential and proprietary information.
- 4.4 <u>Supplying Information</u>. While the New Notes remain outstanding and are "restricted securities" within the meaning of Rule 144(a)(3) under the Securities Act, the CCH Issuers will, during any period in which they are not subject to and in compliance with Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act, furnish to holders of the New Notes and

prospective purchasers of the New Notes designated by such holders, upon the request of such holders or such prospective purchasers, the information required to be delivered pursuant to Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act.

- 4.5 <u>PORTAL and DTC</u>. The CCH II Issuers shall use their best efforts to arrange, on or before the Closing Date, for the New Notes to be designated Private Offerings, Resales and Trading through Automated Linkages ("PORTAL") Market securities in accordance with the rules and regulations adopted by the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. ("NASD") relating to trading in the PORTAL Market and for the New Notes to be eligible for clearance and settlement through the Depositary Trust Company.
- 4.6 No Integration. Neither of the CCH II Issuers nor any of their affiliates (as defined in Rule 501(b) of Regulation D) will, directly or through any agent, sell, offer for sale, solicit offers to buy or otherwise negotiate in respect of, any security (as defined in the Securities Act), that is or will be integrated with the sale of the New Notes in a manner that would require registration of the New Notes under the Securities Act.
- 4.7 <u>No General Solicitation</u>. None of the CCH II Issuers or any of their affiliates or any other person acting on its or their behalf (other than the Holders, as to which no covenant is given) will solicit offers for, or offer or sell, the New Notes by means of any form of general solicitation or general advertising within the meaning of Rule 502(c) of Regulation D or in any manner involving a public offering within the meaning of Section 4(2) of the Securities Act.
- 4.8 <u>Cancellation; No Distribution of Old Notes.</u> Promptly following receipt of the Old Notes by CCH II, the Old Notes will be returned, through a series of distributions, to Holdings LLC, following which they will be cancelled and will cease to be outstanding. The CCH II Issuers shall not resell or reissue the Old Notes in any manner that would cause the Holder to be engaged in a distribution of the Old Notes under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.
- 4.9 <u>Tax Treatment</u>. The parties agree to treat the issuance of the New Notes in exchange for the Old Notes as a taxable exchange for United States federal income tax purposes, unless otherwise required by law, and acknowledge that, depending upon the circumstances, the New Notes may bear original issue discount.

#### 5. Conditions to Closing.

- 5.1 <u>Conditions to the Obligations of each Holder</u>. The obligations of each Holder to close the Exchange are subject to the fulfillment on or before the Closing Date of the following:
  - a. No Injunction or Proceeding. As of the Closing, there shall be no injunction, stay or restraining order in effect with respect to the transactions provided for herein and there shall not be pending or threatened any action, proceeding or investigation involving such Holder challenging or seeking damages from such Holder in connection with the Exchange or seeking to restrain or prohibit the consummation of the Exchange.
  - b. <u>Accuracy of Representations</u>. The representations and warranties made by the CCH II Issuers in this Agreement shall have been accurate in all material respects as of the date of this Agreement and shall be accurate in all material respects as of the Closing Date as if made on the Closing Date (except those qualified by Material Adverse Affect, which shall be accurate in all respects).
  - c. <u>Performance</u>. The covenants and obligations that the CCH II Issuers are required to comply with or to perform pursuant to this Agreement at or prior to the Closing shall have been complied with and performed in all material respects.
  - d. Execution and Delivery of Transaction Documents. The Transaction Documents shall have been executed and delivered by all parties thereto (other than the Holders) and delivered to the Holder.
  - e. <u>Minimum Issuance of New Notes</u>. At least \$1.00 billion of New Notes, including New Notes to be issued under this Agreement and any other New Notes to be issued concurrently therewith, shall have been issued by the CCH II Issuers.
  - f. Opinion of Counsel. Irell & Manella, LLP, counsel for the CCH II Issuers, shall have furnished to the Holders, at the request of the CCH II Issuers, their written opinion, dated the Closing Date and addressed to the Holders, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Holders, to the effect set forth in Annex A hereto.
  - g. <u>PORTAL</u> and <u>DTC</u>. The CCH II Issuers shall have arranged for the New Notes to be designated Private Offerings, Resales and Trading through Automated Linkages ("PORTAL") Market securities in accordance with the rules and regulations adopted by the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. ("NASD") relating to trading in the PORTAL Market and for the New Notes to be eligible for clearance and settlement through the Depositary Trust Company.
- 5.2 <u>Conditions to the Obligations of the CCH II Issuers</u>. The obligations of the CCH II Issuers to close the Exchange are subject to the fulfillment on or before the Closing Date of the following:
  - a. <u>No Injunction</u>. As of the Closing, there shall be no injunction, stay or restraining order in effect with respect to the transactions provided for herein and there shall not be pending or threatened any action, proceeding or investigation challenging or seeking damages in connection with the Exchange or seeking to restrain or prohibit the consummation of the Exchange.
  - b. <u>Accuracy of Representations</u>. The representations and warranties made by each Holder in this Agreement shall have been accurate in all material respects as of the date of this Agreement and shall be accurate in all material respects as of the Closing Date as if made on the Closing Date.
  - c. <u>Performance</u>. The other covenants and obligations that each Holder is required to comply with or to perform pursuant to this Agreement at or prior to such Closing shall have been complied with and performed in all material respects.
  - d. Execution and Delivery of Transaction Documents. The Transaction Documents shall have been executed and delivered by all parties thereto (other than the CCH II Issuers) and delivered to CCH II.

#### 6. Termination.

- 6.1 By Mutual Consent. This Agreement may be terminated at any time prior to the Closing Date by the mutual written consent of CCH II and the Holders.
- 6.2 <u>By Holders</u>. This Agreement may be terminated by the Holders, upon a material breach of any representation, warranty, covenant or agreement on the part of the CCH II Issuers set forth in this Agreement, or if any representation or warranty of the CCH II Issuers shall have become materially incorrect or untrue (or, in the case of representiations or warranties qualified by reference to a Material Adverse Effect, shall have become incorrect or untrue) in either case such that the conditions set forth in Section 5.1(a) or 5.1(b) would not be satisfied and in either case not less than one business day after written notice of such breach by the Holders to CCH II.
- 6.3 By the CCH II Issuers. This Agreement may be terminated by the CCH II Issuers, upon a material breach of any representation, warranty, covenant or agreement on the part of any Holder set forth in this Agreement, or if any representation or warranty of any Holder shall have become materially incorrect or untrue, in either case such that the conditions set forth in Section 5.2(a) or Section 5.2(b) would not be satisfied and in either case not less than one business day after written notice of such breach by CCH II to the Holder(s).
- 6.4 <u>Failure to Close</u>. If the Closing does not occur by September 24, 2003, then any Holder or the CCH II Issuers may terminate this Agreement by delivery of written notice of termination to the other parties hereto; provided, however, any party that is in material breach of this Agreement shall not have the right to terminate this Agreement pursuant to this Section 6.4.
- 6.5 Effect of Termination. If this Agreement is terminated as provided in this Section 6, then this Agreement will forthwith become null and void and there will be no liability on the part of any party hereto to any other party hereto or any other person or entity in respect thereof, provided that: (i) the obligations of the parties described in Section 7.3 will survive any such termination; and (ii) no such termination will relieve any party from liability for breach of its obligations under this Agreement, and in such event the other parties shall have all rights and remedies available at law or equity, including the right of specific performance against such party.

#### Miscellaneous.

- 7.1 Governing Law. This Agreement shall be governed in all respects by the internal laws of the State of New York without regard to principles of conflicts of law or choice of law.
- 7.2 <u>Further Assurances</u>; <u>Additional Documents</u>. The parties shall take any actions and execute any other documents that may be necessary or desirable to the implementation and consummation of this Agreement upon the reasonable request of the other party.

7.3 Fees and Expenses. Each party shall be responsible for its own

fees and expenses incurred in connection with this Agreement.

- 7.4 Severability. If any term or provision of this Agreement is determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, illegal or incapable of being enforced by any rule of law or public policy, all other terms and provisions of this Agreement shall nevertheless remain in full force and effect so long as the economic or legal substance of the transactions contemplated hereby is not affected in any manner materially adverse to any party. Upon determination that any term or other provision of this Agreement is invalid, illegal or incapable of being enforced, the parties hereto shall negotiate in good faith to attempt to agree on a modification of this Agreement so as to effect the original intent of the parties as closely as possible to the fullest extent permitted by law in an acceptable manner to the end that the transactions contemplated hereby are fulfilled to the greatest extent possible.
- 7.5 Entire Agreement. This Agreement, the Confidentiality Agreement and the other Transaction Documents represent the entire agreement and understandings between the parties concerning the Exchange and the other matters described therein and supersedes and replaces any and all prior agreements and understandings.
- 7.6 No Oral Modification. This Agreement may only be amended in writing signed by the CCH II Issuers and by each Holder.
- 7.7 Notices. All notices, requests and other communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been duly given at the time of receipt if delivered by hand, by reputable overnight courier or by facsimile transmission (with receipt of successful and full transmission) to the applicable parties hereto at the address stated on the signature pages hereto or if any party shall have designated a different address or facsimile number by notice to the other party given as provided above, then to the last address or facsimile number so designated.
- 7.8 <u>Submission to Jurisdiction</u>. Each of the parties hereto (a) consents to submit itself to the personal jurisdiction of any federal court located in the state of New York or any New York state court in the event any dispute arises out of this Agreement or any of the transactions contemplated hereby, (b) agrees that it will not attempt to deny or defeat such personal jurisdiction by motion or other request for leave from any such court and (c) agrees that it will not bring any action relating to this Agreement or any of the transactions contemplated hereby in any court other than a federal or state court sitting in the state of New York.
- 7.9 EACH OF THE PARTIES HERETO HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVES ANY AND ALL RIGHTS TO TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY LEGAL PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF OR RELATED TO THIS AGREEMENT OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY.
- 7.10 <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which together shall constitute one instrument. Facsimile signatures shall constitute original signatures.

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N WITNESS WHEREOF t	the parties have executed this Ag	greement on the date set forth below.
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Dated:	, 2003	CCH II, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company
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		"CCH II CAPITAL"
Dated:	, 2003	CCH II CAPITAL CORP., a Delaware corporation
		Ву:
		Name:
		Its:
		"HOLDINGS"
Dated:	, 2003	Charter Communications Holdings, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company
		By:
		Name:

	"HOLDINGS CAPITAL"			
Dated:, 2003	Charter Communications Holdings Capital Corporation, a Delaware corporation			
	By:  Name:  Its:			
Notice Address:  Charter Communications, Inc. 12405 Powerscourt Drive St. Louis, Missouri 63131 Facsimile: (314) 965-8793	With a copy to: Irell & Manella LLP 1800 Avenue of the Stars, Suite 900 Los Angeles, CA 90067			
Attn: Carl Vogel and Curtis S. Shaw, Esq.	Facsimile: (310) 203-7199 Attn: Alvin G. Segel, Esq.			
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	"Holder"			
Dated:, 2003	Holder Name			
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Name of nominee holder or DTC Participant(s) holding Ole	d Notes for the benefit of Holder:	
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Holder Name and Address:		
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# EXHIBIT A CERTAIN DEFINITIONS

<u>Definitions</u>. For purposes of this Agreement, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

"Claims" means any claims, actions, causes of action, liabilities, agreements, demands, damages, debts, rights, interests, obligations, suits, judgments and charges of whatever nature, whether liquidated or unliquidated, fixed or contingent, matured or unmatured, foreseen or unforeseen, known or unknown, that exist or may exist as of the date of this Agreement, or thereafter arising in law, equity or otherwise.

"Governmental Authority" means the United States of America, any state, commonwealth, territory or possession of the United States of America, any foreign state and any political subdivision or quasi governmental authority of any of the same, including any court, tribunal, department, commission, board, bureau, agency, county, municipality, province, parish or other instrumentality of any of the foregoing.

"<u>Legal Requirement</u>" means applicable common law and any statute, ordinance, code or other law, rule, regulation, order, technical or other written standard, requirement, policy or procedure enacted, adopted, promulgated, applied or followed by any Governmental Authority, including any judgment or order and all judicial decisions applying common law or interpreting any other Legal Requirement, in each case, as amended.

"Lien" means any security interest, any interest retained by the transferor under a conditional sale or other title retention agreement, mortgage, lien, pledge, option, encumbrance, adverse interest, constructive exception to, defect in or other condition affecting title or other ownership interest of any kind, which constitutes an interest in or claim against property, whether or not arising pursuant to any Legal Requirement.

"Material Adverse Effect" means a material adverse effect on (i) the business or condition (financial or otherwise) of Holdings or CCH II and, in each case, its direct and indirect subsidiaries, taken as a whole, but without giving effect to any effect resulting from changes in conditions that are applicable to the economy or the cable television industry on a national basis, or (ii) on the ability of the CCH II Issuers or their affiliates to perform their obligations under this Agreement.

"Securities Act" means the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the rules and regulations thereunder.

"Transaction Documents" means this Agreement and the other documents and instruments to be executed and delivered in connection herewith at or prior to the Closing, including without limitation the New Notes and the registration rights agreements and indentures referred to in this Agreement.