



**RCN BECO-COM, LLC**  
**OPEN VIDEO SYSTEM**  
**CHANNEL ALLOCATION PROCESS**

RCN-BecoCom, LLC’s (“RCN-BecoCom”) anticipated total system capacity on its open video system for analog channels is 330, 6 MHz channels and for digital, 678 channels.

VPP requesting more than 6 channels on a pro rata basis; that is based on the ratio of the remaining number of channels requested by all VPPs.

Initial capacity requests should be submitted by the end of the 90-day open enrollment period. At that time, the total number of channels requested from all VPPs will be calculated. If sufficient capacity exists to fill all requests, each VPP will be allocated channel capacity equal to its request. If the sum of all channels requested exceeds available channel capacity, each VPP requesting fewer than 6 channels will receive its requested channels; VPPs requesting more than 6 channels will receive at least 6, total capacity permitting. The remaining channels will be allocated to each

The following is an illustration of the allocation process for the analog channels where demand for carriage exceeds system capacity:

The following allocations already have been made. RCN-BecoCom will have 110 analog channels for video programming + approximately 11 channels for the PEG/Must Carry requirements. The remaining number of channels to be allocated is 209. Assuming that there is a request for 400 channels from multiple VPPs, the allocation process is as follows:

	<u>Channels Requested</u>	<u>Minimum Allocation</u>	<u>Remaining Chnls Requested</u>	<u>Ratio of Rmng Chnl Avlble to Rmng Chnl Requested</u>	<u>No. of Channels Allocated</u>
A	2	2	0		2
B	6	6	0	–	6
C	22	6	16	.48	13
D	110	6	104	.48	56
E	150	6	144	.48	76
F	110	6	104	.48	56
<b>Total</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>368</b>		<b>209</b>

Because VPPs C through F all requested more than 6 channels, each VPP is allotted up to 6 channels as the minimum allocation. The remaining number of channels available to be divided among the VPPs is 177 (209 channels minus 32 channels).

The number of available channels to be allocated on a pro rata basis (177) is divided by the remaining number of channels requested (368), which equals .48. This factor is used to calculate the distribution of the remaining 177 channels to VPPs C through F.

The remaining channels requested by VPPs C through F are multiplied by the pro rata factor (.48) to determine the number of channels the VPPs will be allocated in addition to the six channel minimum. For example, VPP C has been allocated the six channel minimum and has 16 remaining channels requested. The pro rata factor (.48) is multiplied by 16 to obtain the seven additional channels to be allocated to VPP C. The seven channels plus the six channel minimum give VPP C a total of 13 channels allocated. Fractions of channels have been

rounded to the nearest whole number, provided that the sum of all allocations does not exceed the total number of available channels.

This same process will be applied to requests for digital capacity.

RCN-BecoCom will mail a notification to each VPP to confirm the channel capacity allocation no later than 45 days after the expiration of the 90-day open enrollment period. Any VPP that is allocated fewer channels than it initially requested may withdraw its channel capacity request by notifying RCN-BecoCom by mail. Cancellations must be received no later than five business days from receipt of the notification. Channel capacity made available through the withdrawal of one or more VPPs will be reallocated on a pro rata basis to the remaining VPPs who did not receive their full request. RCN-BecoCom will mail a notification to each remaining VPP to confirm the final channel capacity allocation no later than 90 days after the expiration of the open enrollment period.

**CERTIFICATION**

I, John Murawski, hereby certify that RCN-BecoCom, LLC, is in compliance with sections 76.1506(l) and 76.64 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 76.64, 76.1506(l), governing retransmission consent and must-carry elections.

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, Kathy L. Cooper, hereby certify that copies of the foregoing Notice of Intent of RCN-BecoCom, LLC, were served on the parties listed below, on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of May 2003:

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