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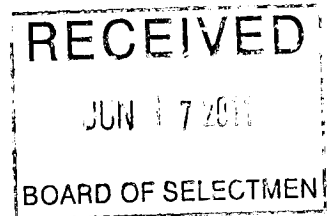
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Rehoboth Public Access Corporation (RePAC):

On March 29, 2004, the Board of Selectmen (“BOS”) of the Town of Rehoboth (“Rehoboth”) entered into a contract with a subsidiary of Comcast Corporation (“Comcast”) whereby one public, one educational, and one government Access Channel shall be made available for cablecasting in Rehoboth (the “License”). On August 2, 2004, pursuant to Section 6.2 of the License, **Rehoboth Public Access Corporation, Inc.** (“RePAC”) was incorporated in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as a charitable, scientific, and educational not-for-profit corporation, within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of Title 26 of United States Code. Pursuant to Section 6.3 of the License, RePAC receives financial support for Access Channel operations directly from Comcast.

As a not-for-profit corporation, RePAC is organized to develop, oversee, and operate the **P**ublic, the **E**ducational, and the **G**overnment (“PEG”) Access Channels, including the operation of a broadcast studio, the acquisition and operation of recording and transmission equipment, and the cablecasting of programs on the PEG Access Channels and via the internet. RePAC’s studio, also its principal place of business, is located at 320 Anawan Street, Post Office Box 617, Rehoboth, Massachusetts 02769.

RePAC’s Corporate Management:

RePAC is managed by a volunteer Board of Directors (“Board”) in accordance with its corporate By-Laws. The members of the Board are: Roger Breault, chairperson; Ed Schagrin, M.Sc., vice-chairperson and Engineering/Program Manager; Robyn Balents, treasurer; Michael Deignan, M.B.A., clerk and Academic/Information Technology Manager; Donna Howard; and Dr. Hans A. Stoeckler, Corporate Counsel/Registered Patent Attorney and Intellectual Property Manager.

RePAC is governed by its Articles of Organization and its corporate By-Laws. RePAC is regulated by the applicable Internal Revenue Code for tax-exempt corporations. RePAC is **neither** a town department; **nor** is it staffed by town employees; **nor** is it financed by local, state, or federal taxes; **nor** is it supervised by either the BOS or Comcast. RePAC performs services pursuant to the terms of the March 29, 2004, License and by the terms of the April 2, 2008 Rehoboth - RePAC contract (“Contract”). The Articles of Organization, the By-Laws, the Contract, the License, and RePAC’s status under 26 U.S.C. §501(c)(3) can be viewed on RePAC’s website at www.repac9.org.

RePAC’s PEG Access Channels:

On March 29, 2004, Comcast allocated Channel 9 as the **G**overnment Access Channel and Channel 15 as the **E**ducational Access Channel for cablecasting to its subscribers in Rehoboth. On September 10, 2010, Comcast allocated Channel 98 as the **P**ublic Access Channel. All three Access Channels are operational at RePAC’s studio.

RePAC's Editorial Function Of PEG Programming:

Under Section 6.7 of the License, RePAC operates the PEG Access cablecasting from its studio with four (4) additional primary feeder sites. Section 6.9 of the License mandates that editorial discretion and the content of programming shall reside solely with, and be the sole responsibility of, RePAC. Pursuant to Section of 6.10 of the License, neither Rehoboth nor Comcast shall engage in any program censorship or any other control of the content of the PEG Access programming on the cable system except as otherwise required or permitted by applicable law. RePAC archives the programs that are transmitted over the three PEG channels. RePAC's recordings of the Rehoboth Annual and Special Town Meetings constitute the official record of such government proceedings.

The PEG Operation As A Community Service:

Sections 3(k) of the Contract obligates RePAC to record and transmit live two (2) specific government events on Channel 9 and one (1) specific educational event on Channel 15. The two government events are the Annual and Special Town Meetings and the BOS public meetings. The Annual and Special Town Meetings are transmitted on cable as live broadcasts on Channel 9 from the Dighton-Rehoboth Regional High School ("High School") auditorium. The BOS public meetings are transmitted live on Channel 9 from the Gladys Hurrell Senior Center ("Senior Center"). Both events are recorded for later repeat broadcasts on Channel 9 and by internet access. The School Committee public meetings are transmitted live on Channel 15 from the High School library with later repeat broadcasts on Channel 15 and by internet access.

During the reporting period of January 1, 2010-May 31, 2011, RePAC recorded additional public meetings, educational programs, and public forum programs for delayed cablecasting via its three PEG channels and by internet access.

The Government Access Channel 9 Programs:

Although not obligatory under the terms of either the Contract or License, RePAC records and archives, for delayed cablecasts, numerous additional municipal activities on Government Access Channel 9:

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| Town Calendar of Events | Agriculture Commission Public Meetings |
| Storm Water Committee Public Meetings | Gravel Committee Public Meetings |
| Zoning Board of Appeals Public Meetings | Board of Health Public Meetings |
| Planning Board Public Meetings | Energy Committee Public Meetings |
| Finance Committee Public Meetings | Police Department Emergency Bulletins |
| Council on Aging Public Meetings | Conservation Commission Public Meetings |
| Community Preservation Committee Meetings | Rehoboth Water District Public Meetings |
| Open Space By-Law Committee Public Meetings | |
| Revenue Enhancement and Expense Reduction Committee Public Meetings | |
| Agricultural and Natural Resource Preservation Committee Public Meetings | |

RePAC maintains and operates five (5) recording and cablecasting centers each having separately installed audio/video systems for full PEG programming capability:

1. RePAC Studio at 320 Anawan Street;
2. Senior Center at 55 Bay State Road;
3. Town Hall at 148 Peck Street;
4. Dighton-Rehoboth Regional High School library; and
5. Dighton-Rehoboth Regional High School auditorium.

A portable audio/video system gives RePAC the capability to record and cablecast, via INET connections, at the Rehoboth schools, Blanding Library, and Goff Hall. Except as noted, RePAC records public meetings for delayed broadcast from RePAC's studio. Recorded government meetings are also accessible for viewing, in their entirety, via the internet at www.repac9.org on "Video-On-Demand" ("VOD") under the tab "Archives". DVD copies of all archived public meetings are available, in their entirety, from RePAC by submitting a formal written request; RePAC charges a modest fee for copies.

Government Business And Activity Broadcasts On Access Channel 9:

RePAC records and broadcasts Rehoboth public meetings in their entirety on Channel 9 in accordance with the directives set forth in G.L.c. 39, §§23A-23C (Open Meeting Law), and G.L.c. 30A, §21 (Municipal Executive Session Mandate), including any portion of a public meeting when the government body deliberates in executive session where the public is excluded. G.L.c. 39, §§23A-23C, contains no provision that would authorize RePAC or any other party to omit, delete, or censor the recording and transmission of any portion of the public meeting to which the public has access even though a part of the deliberation of such a public meeting occurs in executive session.

Pursuant to Section 6.9 of the License, the editorial discretion and the content of programming shall reside solely with, and be the sole responsibility of, RePAC. Section 6.10 of the License further provides that neither Rehoboth nor Comcast shall engage in any censorship or any other control of the content of the PEG Access programming on the cable system, except as otherwise required or permitted by applicable law. RePAC is also guided by the meaning of "meeting", suggested in M.G.L.c.39, §23A, as "any corporal convening... in order to make a decision at which any public business or public policy matter over which the governmental body has supervision, control, jurisdiction or advisory power is discussed or considered... ." RePAC's plain reading of M.G.L.c.39, §23A, does not contemplate an official's use of a public meeting for either political campaigning, or political grandstanding, or a forum for statements that are intended to convey a self-serving political message. RePAC will record and archive an entire public meeting but will only cablecast those public meetings on Channel 9 that constitute government business. Public meetings that comprise unambiguous political campaigning or political grandstanding are cablecast in their entirety on RePAC's Public Access Channel 98 and on "Video-On-Demand" ("VOD") at www.repac9.org.

Table/Chair Assembly For Public Meeting Preparations At The Senior Center:

During this reporting period, public meetings, including the BOS and Finance Committee meetings, were convened at the Senior Center, Council on Aging, at 55 Bay State Road. Until recently, RePAC relied on a volunteer to assemble and disassemble the tables and chairs for public meetings that convened at the Senior Center. In March 2011, the volunteer suffered a back injury and was unable to continue to perform the staging services. Thereafter, RePAC actively sought to recruit a replacement volunteer for this task by posting notices on the Channel 9 and the Channel 98 bulletin boards. To date, not a single person volunteered to continue to assemble and disassemble the tables and chairs for public meetings that are convened at the Senior Center. Thus, effective March 22, 2011, RePAC shall comply with the effective Senior Center policy, as promulgated by the Council on Aging, that the tables and chairs, necessary for a public meeting, shall be assembled and staged by the chairperson of the particular board, committee, agency, or commission that uses the Senior Center for such a public meeting; the chairperson shall also be responsible for disassembling the staging and appropriately storing it after the public meeting has adjourned.

Public Participation at Public Meetings:

Rehoboth government meetings have been well attended and the public has actively and enthusiastically participated in the discourse. Thus, in May 2010, in furtherance of this legitimate expression of protected speech, RePAC started, and will continue, to record the audience, assembled at the Senior Center and Town Hall, so that the vocal citizenry will have had a fair opportunity to be heard and that the complete record of the proceedings will be available for cablecasts. RePAC has instituted the same practice at School Committee public meetings that convene in the High School library. RePAC recently expanded its recording capability of public participation by installing a new compact audio/video system at the Senior Center at 55 Bay State Road.

The New Compact Audio/Video System At The Senior Center:

In March 2011, RePAC completed the installation of a new compact audio/video system in the Senior Center meeting room for recording and cablecasting public meetings. The new system has the capability of simultaneously recording and cablecasting public participation in such meetings. The newly acquired compact system comprises: four (4) Sony, Model EVID70, remotely controlled rotating video cameras mounted overhead; one (1) Sony, Model RM-BR300, camera remote control; one (1) BroadcastPix, Model Slate G100, video switcher with integrated effects and graphics; one (1) AV Tool, Model 3160 149.00, PC to video converter; one (1) Cadco, Model M369, modulator; two (2) Rane, Model AM2, eight channel audio mixers; one (1) dbx, Model AFS224, feedback limiter; one (1) dbx, Model 2231, equalizer; one (1) Burst Electronics, Model SG-2, Blackburst generator for signal synchronization; one (1) APC, Model PRO1500W, power supply; one

(1) Crown, Model CL1, amplifier; one (1) Magnavox, Model 15MF605T/17, TV; one (1) JVC, Model TM-101G, monitor; three (3) AKG, Model C1000S, wireless microphones with built-in Azden, Model 41XT, transmitter; three (3) Azden, Model 411UDR, wireless receivers; two (2) Shure Microflex, Model MX202, overhead microphones for audience audio recording; eight (8) Shure Microflex, Model MX418D/C, gooseneck desktop microphones with individual mute control; one (1) Sanyo, Model PLCXK2600, overhead mounted power point projector; one (1) Sony, Model RDRGX355, Read/Write DVD drive; one (1) Sony, Model RDRGX330, Read/Write DVD drive; and one (1) wall mounted "On Air" LED display provides public notice that the proceedings are being recorded. The new compact audio/video system was reviewed by the Comcast technical staff and is now fully operated by RePAC's members of the technical staff ("MTS").

The Audio/Video System At The Town Hall:

The Rehoboth Town Hall, at 148 Peck Street, is one of five (5) recording and cablecasting centers that are feeder sites for PEG programming. The Town Hall meeting room has permanently assembled conference tables and seating for the public. The Rehoboth Planning Board, Conservation Commission, Board of Health, Agricultural Committee, Preservation Committee, Community Preservation Commission, and the Energy Committee are some of the municipal agencies that regularly convene their public meetings at the Town Hall. RePAC records said public meetings for subsequent cablecasting on Channel 9; RePAC archives the proceedings of the meetings. The audio/video system used by RePAC to record public meetings at the Town Hall comprises: two (2) Panasonic dome cameras; one (1) Panasonic CCD camera; one (1) Panasonic, Model WV-CU360C, camera system controller; three (3) Panasonic, Model WV-BM990, monitors; one (1) JVC, Model TM-131SU, monitor; one (1) Sylvania, Model L131G, monitor; one (1) IKEGAMI, Model PM-K9, monitor; one (1) Videonics, Model MX-1, video mixer; one (1) Sony, Model RDRGX355, DVD recorder; one (1) Panasonic, Model AG1980, VHS tape recorder; one (1) Cadco, Model M369, modulator; one (1) APC, Model UPS, power supply; one (1) Model VM-31AYC A/V splitter; one (1) Behringer, Model Euroack SL2442FX-PRO, audio mixer; two (2) AKG, Model D130, microphones; three (3) Radio Shack, Model 33-3043, microphones; and one (1) Audio-Technica, Model M8-2K, microphone.

RePAC Recording Of Town Meeting As The Official Record:

The April 13, 1998, Rehoboth Annual Town Meeting voted that a videotape of the proceeding, as regulated by the Town Clerk, shall be the official record of the Rehoboth Town Meeting (approved Article 28). On June 1, 1998, the Attorney General approved Article 28 for the videotaping of the Town Meeting proceeding as Rehoboth's official record. RePAC broadcasts live the Rehoboth annual and special Town Meetings on Channel 9 and archives the recorded proceedings as the official record.

The New Compact Audio/Video System For Town Meetings:

The annual and special Town Meetings convene at the High School auditorium. At previous Town Meetings, RePAC used two (2) Gemini, Model GX300, speakers and two (2) JBL, Model JRX 112M, speakers for the sound system. Each speaker weighs about fifty-five (55) pounds. These speakers are elevated on tripods which are inherently unstable. One (1) QSC, Model RMX1450, audio amplifier powered the 4 speakers. Over seven-hundred (700) feet of audio cable were used to connect these speakers, the amplifier, and the microphones. The safety concerns, the poor sound quality, the logistics, and the unsafe staging of these speakers became problematic. Thus, RePAC acquired a new portable, compact, and light-weight audio/video system with improved amplified sound quality and easy staging for the most recent Town Meeting on May 16, 2011, and May 23, 2011. The new compact audio/video system comprises: one (1) Bose, Model B1, bass speaker; two (2) Bose, Model L1, loudspeakers; one (1) Bose, Model L1, power stand with a built-in amplifier having bandwidth filters to match the output frequency range of the microphones resulting in minimum audio feedback interference and distortion and increased sound output; one (1) Bose, Model R1, remote controller; one (1) Behringer, Model Eurorack UB1204FX-PRO, audio mixer; one (1) Cadco, Model M369, modulator; one (1) Focus, Model MX4, video mixer; two (2) Panasonic, Model WV5380, TV monitors; one (1) Sony, Model RDR-GX300, DVD recorder; and two (2) Shure, Model SM58, microphones.

Notices Of Public Meetings On Channel 9 Bulletin Board:

Notices of public meetings and government activities are posted on the Channel 9 Bulletin Board. To assure timely broadcast of the government agenda, a notice specifying the location and time of the meeting or activity must be transmitted, via e-mail, to RePAC's processing center at **Webmaster@repac9.org** at least 48 hours prior to such meeting or activity. Notices that are not related to government business will be posted either on Channel 15 (educational matters) or on Channel 98 (public interest matters).

Emergency Notices On Channel 9 Bulletin Board:

Emergency notices are posted by the RePAC program manager pursuant to instructions from the Police Chief or Town Administrator. RePAC is presently reviewing the formal procedure for emergency notices to include additional public safety officials.

The New Bulletin Board System For Channel 9:

The notices of government activities are posted on Channel 9 using a Tightrope Media System, Model CG250-5432, Rack Unit Carousel Player for the PEG cablecasting server (SX4) using Microsoft Windows XP operating system and Tightrope Software Upgrade Carousel Player 6.0.3.

The Educational Access Channel 15 Programs:

The Educational Access Channel 15 is intended for academic, scholastic, and knowledge programs to serve Rehoboth's education community. RePAC uses the Educational Access Channel 15 for recording and cablecasting the following programs:

School Committee Public Meetings

High School Student Productions

Public School Special Announcements and Emergency Bulletins

School Calendar of Events

Educational Programs On Channel 15:

Effective October 4, 2010, broadcasts on the Educational Access Channel 15 network focus primarily on academic, scholastic, and knowledge programs. RePAC has acquired a license and teaching materials from Annenberg Media Distance Learning Series ("Annenberg") to launch the cablecasting of a series of educational programs with the expectation that it will promote learning in the Rehoboth community at all levels and will elevate the performance of standardized testing in Mathematics, Science, and Languages at the Middle and High School level. These educational programs include Algebra, Geometry, Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Constitutional Studies, English, and Social Sciences. An application was submitted to the Massachusetts Cultural Council, Local Cultural Council (LCC), seeking financial support of RePAC's new educational programs; unfortunately, the application was not funded. RePAC will continue to seek outside funding for the Annenberg and other academic, scholastic, and knowledge programs with the goal of helping to improve State standardized testing performance.

On February 9, 2011, RePAC Directors participated in a conference with Ms. Kathleen Montagano, Superintendent, and Ms. Wordell, Assistant Superintendent, concerning educational programming on RePAC's Access Channel 15. RePAC invited the High School faculty to collaborate with RePAC to acquire educational programs in coordination with contemporaneous classroom teaching, including subjects that are the focus of standardized State testing in physics, chemistry, mathematics, English, and history. For example, instructional programs in the field of Algebra could be coordinated with the ongoing high school Trigonometry, Geometry, Algebra I, and Algebra II curriculum that is geared for MCAS testing. Subsequently, Ms. Wordell discussed RePAC's invitation with High School administrators. On March 17, 2011, Superintendent Montagano advised RePAC that input from the administrators was expected concerning such collaboration but to date, neither the High School faculty nor the administrators have responded to RePAC's invitation for working together toward a common goal that promotes the educational, academic, and knowledge programming for the community.

RePAC will integrate Khan Academy learning materials (Algebra I, Algebra II, Trigonometry, Geometry, Physics, and Chemistry) with Channel 15 programming and classroom teaching. The Khan Academy link is accessible at www.khanacademy.org.

The Audio/Video System For School Committee Meetings:

The combined Town of Rehoboth and Town of Dighton School Committee convenes its meetings at the High School library. RePAC records and broadcasts the School Committee meetings live on RePAC Channel 15 and Dighton Channel 98 via RePAC's SX4 server system. RePAC records and cablecasts the School Committee public meetings, in their entirety, on Channel 15 in accordance with the directives set forth in G.L.c. 39, §§23A-23C (Open Meeting Law), and G.L.c. 30A, §21 (Municipal Executive Session Mandate), including any portion of the public meeting when the members of the School Committee deliberate in executive session where the public is excluded. Neither G.L.c. 39, §§23A-23C, nor prevailing case law contains provisions that would authorize RePAC or any other party to omit, delete, or censor the recording and transmission of any portion of the public meeting to which the public has access even though a part of the deliberation of such a public meeting occurs in executive session.

The audio/video system that RePAC uses to record and broadcast School Committee meetings comprises: two (2) Canon, Model GL2, cameras that are mounted on Monfretto tripods; one (1) Behringer, Model EurorackB2442FX-PRO, audio mixer; one (1) Cadco, Model M369, modulator for transmission over the INET; one (1) Magnavox TV, Model NIAC, monitor for viewing residential return signal; one (1) Ikegami, Model PM-K9, video signal monitor; one (1) Sony, Model RDR-GX330, DVD recorder; one (1) Panasonic VHS recorder; eight (8) Shure, Model SM58, microphones; one (1) QSC, Model RMX1450, audio amplifier; and one (1) Proline, Model LS-T2BK, speaker stand.

High School Extracurricular Event Cablecasting On Public Access Channel 98:

Until October 2010, the recording and cablecasting, via Channel 15, of almost all High School athletic events (soccer, basketball, and football) and other extracurricular activities, including the June 2010 High School graduation ceremony, was funded by RePAC. On October 4, 2010, after the activation of RePAC's Public Access Channel 98, RePAC discontinued all financial funding for the audio/video recording of High School extracurricular activities but continues to make RePAC's Channel 98 available for cablecasting of extracurricular High School programs whenever the principal or the athletic director submits recordings of such events to RePAC. The June 5, 2011 High School graduation ceremony is expected to be cablecasted on RePAC's Channel 98 once a recording is available and is formally submitted to RePAC for cable transmission.

Scholarship For Visual Arts and Technology Studies:

On March 8, 2011, RePAC presented an annual scholarship for financial support of a Dighton-Rehoboth Regional High School graduate who pursues a degree in Visual Arts and Technology at an accredited institution. The scholarship is funded by, and through, RePAC's annual savings that are realized from volunteer work of engineers,

attorneys, computer scientists, accountants, and many others who contribute their time and materials for the operation of RePAC. At this time, there exists no endowment that would fund the RePAC scholarship in perpetuity. RePAC's future funding of the scholarship will be determined primarily by the participation of volunteers in RePAC operations. Therefore, the scholarship will be sponsored, and renewable, on an annual basis.

Notices Of School Events On Channel 15 Bulletin Board:

The office of the Superintendent submits the School Committee agenda to RePAC which is then posted on the Channel 15 Bulletin Board by RePAC MTS.

Emergency Notices On Channel 15 Bulletin Board:

The director of the High School Career and Technical Education department uses direct accessing of the Channel 15 bulletin board for posting emergency notices affecting school closing or important changes in activity schedules, including, but not limited to, school closings due to inclement weather, a power outage, flooding, failure of the waste water treatment facility, disease epidemic, flu outbreaks, teacher labor union disputes, and teacher strikes.

The New Bulletin Board System For Channel 15:

The notices of educational activities are posted on Channel 15 using a Tightrope Media System, Model CG250-2734, Rack Unit Carousel Player for the SX4 server using Microsoft Windows XP operating system and Tightrope Software Upgrade Carousel Player 6.0.3.

Activation Of The Public Access Channel 98:

Although Section 6.1 of the License provided for RePAC to operate a Public Access Channel, Comcast refused to make such a third (3rd) access channel available for cablecasting. Beginning in July 2009, former members of the BOS, selectmen Frederick Vadnais and Kevin McBride, strenuously opposed the activation of the third access channel for RePAC. Thus, on July 9, 2009, RePAC made a written demand on Brian L. Roberts, Chairman of the Board of Comcast Corporation (Certified Mail 70080500000105676175), to activate the Public Access Channel for RePAC. On August 24, 2009, Comcast advised RePAC that, pursuant to Section 11 of the License, the BOS, as the Issuing Authority, must initiate the process by making a formal written request to Comcast for the activation and installation of the third PEG channel. On October 8, 2009, RePAC made written request to BOS (Certified Mail 70080500000105676229), for the activation and installation of the Public Access Channel. Messrs. Vadnais and McBride continued to oppose RePAC's numerous requests for activating the third PEG channel. On March 19, 2010, having exhausted all administrative remedies to activate the Public

Access Channel, RePAC commenced legal action for declaratory relief (G.L.c. 231A) in Bristol County Superior Court (*Rehoboth Public Access Corporation v. Comcast of Massachusetts I, Inc., et al.*, BRCV2010-00353-C) seeking to compel Rehoboth and the BOS to perform its obligations under the terms of the Contract to activate the third PEG channel on grounds that Vadnais's and McBride's arbitrary and capricious conduct clearly violated the terms of the Contract by depriving the cable subscribers of the public access. Thus, on May 24, 2010, selectmen Kenneth Foley and Don Leffort, acting as the majority of the Issuing Authority, forwarded a formal written request to Comcast for the activation and installation of the Public Access Channel at RePAC's studio. Comcast, as a party-defendant in civil action BRCV2010-00353-C, readily assented and activated Channel 98. The installation of the Public Access Channel 98 at RePAC's studio was completed on September 10, 2010. Comcast activated and installed Channel 98 at no cost or expense to either Rehoboth or RePAC. The interfacing of the Public Access Channel with the PEG cablecasting server required the installation of one (1) Blonder Tongue Laboratories, Model AM60-860, modulator for conditioning the frequency signal from the Tightrope Media Systems, Model CBL-SX4, server for transmission on Channel 98.

The Public Access Channel 98 Programs:

The Public Access Channel 98 is intended to be used by diverse interest groups, religious organizations, social organizations, clubs, health and support groups, and public entities, such as High School sponsored extracurricular activity groups, public libraries, Sheriff's office, Veterans groups, County agencies, State agencies, and Federal agencies as contemplated under §4(a) and §4(b) of the Contract. RePAC uses the Public Access Channel for cablecasting programs that are produced by these diverse interests. Clearly, such public programs can contain political statements, political campaigning, and other subject matters that would otherwise be inappropriate for cablecasting on either the Government (9) or the Educational (15) Access Channels. For example, RePAC recorded and cablecasted on Channel 98 a pre-election political debate on March 15, 2011, the Massachusetts Inspector General Report of a Rehoboth selectman's abuse of affordable housing laws on May 20, 2011, and the Memorial Day Parade held on May 30, 2011.

Public Program Processing For Channel 98 Cablecasting:

Public productions that are submitted to RePAC for cablecast on Channel 98 must have prior approval by RePAC. A request form for public production cablecasting can be downloaded from RePAC's website at www.repac9.org. The request form must be completed, signed, and delivered by the United States Postal Service addressed to RePAC, Post Office Box 617, Rehoboth, MA 02769. Naturally, the meaning of "Public Access" does not include the unbridled use of Channel 98 for cablecasting of any program produced by the public. Pursuant to Section 6.9 of the License, the editorial discretion and the content of programming shall reside solely with, and be the sole responsibility of, RePAC. Section 6.10 of the License further provides that neither

Rehoboth nor Comcast shall engage in any program censorship or any other control of the content of the PEG Access Programming on the cable system, except as otherwise required or permitted by applicable law. Thus, to avoid the ambiguity of program content intended for cablecasting on Channel 98, RePAC's MTS will preview such programs to assure that the content complies with all requirements of applicable law.

Political Campaign Debate Cablecast on Channel 98:

The April 4, 2011, Rehoboth election had contested offices for the BOS and School Committee. The Rehoboth community supports, and participates in, political debates as an integral part of campaigning for local elections. RePAC's standing policy of fairness and equality of time and access mandates that unless all candidates participate in such an event, RePAC will not record and cablecast a political debate. Thus, on March 4, 2011, in collaboration with Rehoboth Business Association ("RBA"), RePAC distributed to all candidates for the contested offices an inquiry of participation in the RBA-sponsored political debate set for March 15, 2011, at the Crestwood Country Club. All candidates participated in the political debate and, as expected, the political event was well attended by the public. RePAC recorded the political debate and cablecasted the event on Channel 98 with repeated transmissions for the purpose of reaching the broadest viewing audience. The March 15, 2011, Crestwood Country Club political debate can also be viewed on VOD on RePAC's website at www.repac9.org.

Channel 98 Membership Meeting And Training Session Facility:

An application for membership in RePAC can be downloaded from RePAC's website at www.repac9.org. Under Federal law, the meaning of "Public Access" neither contemplates, nor does it provide for, the unrestrained physical access to, or the unregulated use of, the RePAC studio by the public. The studio contains sensitive and fragile electronic recording, cablecasting, and monitoring systems that are operated in a continuous or stand-by mode. To avoid interruption or damage to such systems, RePAC has arranged to hold membership meetings and training sessions at Francis Farm located at 27 Francis Farm Road, Rehoboth, MA 02769-2337. Membership meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each month starting at 7:00 p.m.. Training sessions for RePAC members for instructions in the use of equipment for public productions and broadcasting will be offered from time to time as needed. The cost and charges for such meetings and training sessions will be announced prior to the event.

Channel 98 News And Current Events Cablecasts:

Section 6.2(9) of the License mandates that RePAC shall provide the Public Access users services for the production of non-commercial video programming that are of interest to subscribers and focus on Rehoboth issues, events, and activities. Thus, on May 20, 2011, acting in compliance with the provisions of Section 6.2(9), RePAC provided a user limited services to produce a non-commercial video program which

combined an interview of a recently elected Rehoboth selectman with a May 17, 2011, investigation report by the Massachusetts Inspector General finding that this recently elected selectman abused the Commonwealth's affordable housing laws in Rehoboth; this program was cablecasted on Channel 98. Clearly, public discourse of the Massachusetts Inspector General's findings is an example of program content that constitutes issues and events that affect, or could affect, the functionality of Rehoboth's Board of Selectmen; clearly, such a user-produced non-commercial video program is suitable for Channel 98.

Public Interest Notices On Channel 98 Bulletin Board:

The public is cordially invited to submit notices of public activities to RePAC for cablecasting on the Public Access Channel 98 either via **Webmaster@repac9.org**, or by FAX at (508) 242-9537, or via **scroll@repac9.org**, or by United States Postal Service at RePAC, Post Office Box 617, Rehoboth, MA 02769-0617. In all cases, RePAC reserves the right to verify the identity of the person submitting such a notice and exercise its editorial discretion, pursuant to Section 6.9 of the License, as to the content of the notice prior to posting it on the Channel 98 bulletin board.

The New Bulletin Board System For Channel 98:

The notices of public activities are posted on Channel 98 using a Tightrope Media System, Model CG310-7091, Rack Unit Carousel Player for the SX4 server using Microsoft Windows 7 operating system and Tightrope Software Upgrade Carousel Player 6.0.3.

Integrated And Automated Programming For The Three PEG Access Channels:

RePAC's video server is designed for complete PEG cablecast programming and for internet access to a "Video-On-Demand" option. The video server can process programs from each of RePAC's five (5) independent recording and cablecasting centers, viz., at its studio, the Senior Center, the Town Hall, the Dighton-Rehoboth Regional High School library, and the Dighton-Rehoboth Regional High School auditorium, and other feeder sites. Such a server makes available automated control of routing switchers, playout decks, Carousel bulletin boards, program schedules, live streaming, and live cablecasting for all three (3) PEG Access Channels.

The Tightrope Media Systems ("TRMS"), Model CBL-SX4, is a cablecasting server for automation of PEG programming with three (3) integrated Carousel bulletin boards for Channel 9, Channel 15, and Channel 98. The installation of the TRMS SX4 server system has been completed during the 2010-2011 reporting period and includes: one (1) APC, Model SUA3000RM2U, power supply; one (1) TRMS, Model CBL-2324228PT, cablecast multiport; two (2) TRMS, Model CBL-IR4, four-port IR transmitter; one (1) TRMS, Model CBL-VS-010, spare video drive for SX video servers; one (1) TRMS, Model RS16X8HB, 16x8 composite video with unbalanced stereo audio; two (2) TRMS, Model SR-MV55US, DVD-R&S-VHS/VHS Dual Deck remote auto-

finalize full-repeat authoring simultaneous recording; and one (1) TRMS, Model VM771, FM systems video master. The TRMS server system is rack-mounted and is located at the RePAC studio.

The TRMS server system, via INET connections, provides RePAC the simulcast capability to all Rehoboth elementary and middle schools, the Dighton-Rehoboth Regional High School library and auditorium, the Senior Center, the Town Hall, Goff Hall, the Blanding Library, and RePAC's studio. The TRMS server system can: **a)** integrate all live programs appearing on all three PEG Access Channels; **b)** record and archive the live programs that originate from the Town Hall, the Senior Center, the High School library or auditorium, and the RePAC studio; **c)** repeat the cablecasts of archived programs to cable subscribers in Rehoboth on Channel 9, Channel 15, and Channel 98. The Educational Access Channel (15) broadcasts simultaneously (simulcast transmission) to the Town of Dighton on Dighton's Access Channel 98. The TRMS server system was acquired by REPAC from Comcast funding without any cost to Rehoboth.

Access To Government Programs On The Internet:

Video-On-Demand ("VOD") serves as a means for **transmitting programs** via the internet. VOD can be accessed at RePAC's website **www.repac9.org** under the tab "Archives". The installation of a Video-On-Demand Pro System, Model ProVOD 5050, allows the public to access and view archived government programs that were recorded over a period of the last three (3) years. RePAC has retained earnings which are intended to be applied toward acquisition of additional equipment in 2011-2012, including equipment for securing and archiving recorded government programs for future repeat cablecasts via the internet. Recorded public meetings of municipal boards and committees, for example Planning Board and Finance Committee public meetings, that could contain political statements, political grandstanding, or political campaign rhetoric, can be accessed and viewed, in their entirety, via VOD.

A static bulletin board, displaying all notices, that also appear as moving scrolls on Channels 9, 15, and 98, is available on RePAC's website **www.repac9.org** under the tab "Virtual Bulletin Board". RePAC provides this alternative format for easy and leisurely reading and copying by the viewer.

The RePAC Studio:

RePAC operates and maintains its studio at 320 Anawan Street (the "Town Hall Annex") under a 10-year lease with Rehoboth which will expire on August 4, 2014. The annual nominal rent is one dollar (\$1.00). RePAC occupies approximately half of the Town Hall Annex; the remainder of the building is occupied by the Rehoboth Building Inspector's offices. To supplement the yearly rent of \$1.00, RePAC has installed insulated windows, wall and ceiling insulation, electrical service, exterior painting, and continues to make monthly payments: **a)** for the cost of the broadband internet access for the Town

Offices, the Senior Center, the Police Station, and the Central Fire Station; b) for all the fuel and energy used to heat/air-condition the entire Town Hall Annex building, including the area occupied by the Building Inspector's offices; and c) for all the electricity used at the Town Hall Annex, including the portion of the building occupied by the Building Inspector's offices. These payments are approximately \$6,000.00 per year. RePAC stores spare audio and electronic equipment and videotape archives at the Anawan School, adjacent to the Senior Center. Access to the Anawan School is generally restricted but RePAC has access when accompanied by the Building Inspector.

DVD Duplication of Archived RePAC Productions:

To efficiently perform the processing of large numbers of requests for copies, RePAC adopted a formal system that can easily retrieve and produce copies at a reasonable cost. Orders for DVD duplicates can be made by contacting Breault Auto Sales, 101 Winthrop Street, Rehoboth, MA 02769 or telephoning (508) 252-6343.

Alternatively, RePAC's VOD system, accessible at no charge at www.repac9.org, provides free internet access for viewing archived productions of government activities, public meetings, including BOS and School Committee meetings, and Town Meetings.

Funding For RePAC Operations:

Pursuant to Section 6.3 of the License, Comcast provides quarterly payments to RePAC directly. The funding is consistent with the purpose and intent of the terms of the License under Section 6.9 (RePAC's editorial discretion of programming) and Section 6.10 (Prohibition against censorship by the Town of Rehoboth). Former selectmen Frederick Vadnais and Kevin McBride rejected the provisions of Sections 6.9 and 6.10.

Thus, beginning in July 2009, in an effort to seize editorial discretion from and impose censorship on RePAC, Messrs. Vadnais and McBride commenced to obstruct and disrupt RePAC's performance of its obligations under the Contract. In furtherance of such obstruction and disruption, Messrs. Vadnais and McBride, with the assistance of former town administrator, Attorney David Marciello, devised a scheme that would divert Comcast's quarterly funding directly to the BOS. On April 1, 2010, former selectmen Vadnais and McBride voted to amend Section 6.3 of the License in an attempt to have Comcast divert RePAC's quarterly funding directly to the BOS. Comcast did not comply with Vadnais's and McBride's unpersuasive scheme and continued to forward the quarterly funding directly to RePAC.

RePAC instituted legal action against Rehoboth and the BOS to prevent the effectuation of the amendment of Section 6.3 of the License. Thus, in civil action *Rehoboth Public Access Corporation v. Comcast of Massachusetts I, Inc., et al.*, (BRCV2010-00353-C), RePAC included a claim seeking prohibitory injunctive relief by enjoining the BOS from diverting RePAC's funding to the BOS. During the pendency of said action, selectmen Kenneth Foley and Don Leffort, voting as the majority of the Issuing Authority, repealed the amendment of Section 6.3 of the License. Comcast

continues to provide quarterly payments directly to RePAC as originally contemplated in the provisions of Section 6.3 of the License.

Quarterly Financial Report Of The Rehoboth Public Access Corporation:

In the civil action *Rehoboth Public Access Corporation v. Comcast of Massachusetts I, Inc., et al.*, Bristol County Superior Court BRCV2010-00353-C, all issues and claims involving the License and Contract were fully litigated. More particularly, Section 6.5 of the License requires Rehoboth to provide Comcast a report of disbursement of the funds that are paid directly by Comcast to RePAC in accordance with Section 6.3 of the License. The original terms of Section 10 of the Contract, effective April 2, 2008, only required RePAC to submit to Rehoboth, on or before June 30 of each year, a duplicate report that RePAC files with the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. In order for Rehoboth to comply with Section 6.5 of the License, RePAC and Rehoboth agreed, without opposition by Comcast or any other party to the litigation in Case BRCV2010-00353-C, to amend Section 10 of the Contract as follows:

“SECTION 10 - Report of Disbursements RePAC shall forward to the Board of Selectmen a report of disbursements on a quarterly basis, by the following dates each year: April 25; July 25; October 25; and January 25. RePAC shall also forward to the Board of Selectmen a copy of its Annual Financial Report in the form of Form 990, or any such form as amended or authorized by the Internal Revenue Service, and as posted on its website, on or before May 15 of each year. In the case of the latter Annual Financial Report, such report shall be timely submitted by REPAC without waiver of RePAC’s rights of time extensions available under the Internal Revenue Code as provided by Form 8868; and further provided that all such reports shall reasonably be in conformance with standard and acceptable accounting procedures and practices as to permit the Board of Selectmen to comply with its reporting obligations as set forth in Section 6.5 of the Cable Television Renewal License, effective April 10, 2004.

RePAC files quarterly financial reports with the Rehoboth Board of Selectmen in accordance with the terms of Section 10, as amended.

Annual Financial Report Of The Rehoboth Public Access Corporation:

On May 15, 2011, the Federal Tax Return, Form 990-EZ, for the fiscal year January 1, 2010 to December 31, 2010, was filed with the Internal Revenue Service; the Form PC for the fiscal year was filed with the Attorney General of the Commonwealth; in accordance with Section 10, as amended, of the Contract, a copy of the Annual Financial Report for the fiscal year from January 1, 2010 to December 31, 2010, was filed with the Town of Rehoboth Board of Selectmen.

RePAC Contacts:

RePAC seeks clarity in its corporate activities and service to the Rehoboth community. To achieve complete transparency and success in its business dealings, RePAC's volunteer management always welcomes comments and communications by, and from, its viewers, supporters, and, most importantly, its critics. RePAC can be conveniently contacted as follows:

Mailing Address: 320 Anawan Street, P.O. Box 617
Rehoboth, MA 02769-0617

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FAX: (508) 252-9537

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scroll@repac9.org

Comments via Internet: **http://www.repac9.org**

Copies of Programs: (508) 252-6343
Breault Auto Sales
101 Winthrop Street
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Acceptance Of The Annual Report By The Board of Directors:

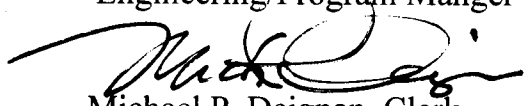
At a duly noticed meeting of the Board of Directors of Rehoboth Public Access Corporation, Inc. the Annual Report of RePAC, for the period January 1, 2010, to May 31, 2011, is respectfully accepted on behalf of the corporation on June 15, 2011 by:

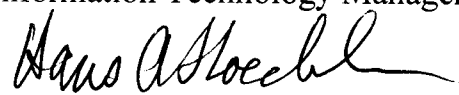

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