

LONE PINE COMMUNICATIONS

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Michael Pierce
Video Franchising and Broadband Deployment Group
Communications Division
California Public Utilities Commission
505 Van Ness Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94102

March 3, 2021

Dear Michael,

Enclosed is Lone Pine Communications renewal of our Video Franchise for Inyo County. As I stated in our email chain Lone Pine Communications is currently in the middle of an acquisition with a closing date of May 31, 2022. Per your advice Lone Pine Communications is submitting our renewal with the understanding that the "Buyer" of Lone Pine Communications will be able to transfer the Video Franchise after our closing date of May 31, 2022.

Please let me know if you need anything further from us for the renewal.

Best Regards,

Liz Branson
Lone Pine Communications
lbranson@lonepineisp.com

PLEASE TYPE ALL INFORMATION UNLESS INSTRUCTED OTHERWISE.

Type of Application

1. Check as appropriate:

- New Franchise Amended Franchise (Please indicate type of amendment below) _____
 Increasing Video Service Area
 Decreasing Video Service Area
- Franchise Renewal

Applicant Information

2. Applicant's State Video Franchise number (if seeking an amended or renewal Franchise): 0004995833

3. Applicant's full legal name: Lone Pine Communications Inc

4. Name under which the Applicant does or will do business in California: Lone Pine Communications

5. Legal name and contact information of Applicant's parent companies, including the ultimate parent:

Parent's Full Legal Name: Lone Pine Communications Inc

Address: 223 N Jackson PO Box 867

Phone: 760-876-5461

Parent's Full Legal Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Parent's Full Legal Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

6. Applicant's principal place of business: Lone Pine, CA

Address: 223 N Jackson PO Box 867 Lone Pine CA 93545

Phone: 760-876-5461

7. Contact information for the person responsible for ongoing communication with the Commission about Video Service business:

Name: Elizabeth Branson

Title: Owner

Address: 223 N Jackson PO Box 867 Lone Pine CA 93545

Phone(s): Business/ Fax: 760-876-5461 Email: lbranson@lonepineisp.com Mobile

8. Attach as Appendix A the names and titles of the Applicant's principal officers.

Build-Out Information

Answer questions 9 through 12 only if the Applicant or one of its Affiliates is a Telephone Corporation. Other Applicants should go to Question 13.

9. Does the Applicant alone or together with its Affiliates have more than 1,000,000 telephone customers in California?

Yes No

10. Does the Video Service Area include areas outside of the Telephone Service Area of the Applicant and its Affiliates?

Yes No

11. Is the Applicant primarily deploying fiber optic facilities to the customer's premise?

Yes No

12. Excluding direct-to-home satellite, is Video Service currently offered by another Video Service Provider in the Video Service Area proposed in this Application?

Yes No

Existing Local Cable or Video Franchise Holder Information

13. Does the Applicant alone or together with its Affiliates currently hold a local franchise, or has the Applicant held a local franchise in the Video Service Area in the last six months?

Yes No

If "Yes," then download and complete the electronic template available on the Communications Division's section of the CPUC's web site at www.cpuc.ca.gov.

Video Service Area Information

Renewal Applicants: If the Applicant has already reported socioeconomic data as part of the yearly DIVCA data collection, this data does not need to be submitted again.

14. a. Utilizing the template (as applicable) provided on the Communications Division's section of the CPUC's web site at www.cpuc.ca.gov provide a geographic description of the Video Service Area and input the expected date for the deployment of each Area in the Video Service Area. Please select the method by which the geographic description shall be detailed:

A collection of U.S. Census Bureau Census Block Groups, or

○ If Applicant chooses "a," then download and complete the electronic template available on the Communications Division's section of the CPUC's web site at www.cpuc.ca.gov

A geographic information system digital boundary meeting or exceeding national map accuracy standards.

○ If Applicant chooses "b," then submit the geographic information system digital boundary as a polygon shapefile (.shp), in State Plane coordinate system in digital format electronically to the Commission

b. If a consultant was used to compile the geographic description data, please provide the following:

Consultant Company's Full Legal Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

15. Socioeconomic status information of residents within the Video Service Area

○ If applicable, the Applicant shall provide this information utilizing the templates available on the Communications Division's section of the CPUC's web site at www.cpuc.ca.gov

a. Provide the following baseline description of residents in the Video Service Area:

i. *Number of Households:* The number of Households in each Census Tract included in the Video Service Area. Utilize the most recent U.S. Census projections of households available as of January 1 of the year the Application is submitted to determine the number of Households.

ii. *Number of Low-Income Households:* The number of Low-Income Households in each Census Tract included in the Video Service Area. Utilize the most recent U.S. Census projections of low-income households available as of January 1, 2007 to determine the number of Low-Income Households.

b. Provide or attest in the attached Affidavit that Applicant shall provide, no later than 90 calendar days after the date of the Commission's issuance of a State Video Franchise to the Applicant, the following description of residents in the Video Service Area on a Census Tract Basis:

i. *Wireline Broadband:*

1. The number of Households in each Census Tract to which the Company makes wireline Broadband available.
2. The number of Households in each Census Tract that subscribe to wireline Broadband that the Company makes available.

ii. *Non-Wireline Broadband:*

1. If the Company uses non-wireline technology to provide Broadband, specify the type(s) of technology used in each Census Tract.
2. The number of customers in each Census Tract that subscribe to non-wireline Broadband that the Company makes available.
3. Using geographic information system digital boundaries that meet or exceed national map accuracy standards, provide maps that delineate (i) Census Tract boundaries and (ii) where the Company typically makes non-wireline Broadband available.

iii. *Video service:* The number of Households in each Census Tract that are offered Access by the Company.

iv. *Low-Income* (Utilize the most recent U.S. Census projections of low-income households available as of January 1, 2007 to determine the number of Low-Income Households): The number of Low-Income Households that are offered Access by the Company.

16. Socioeconomic status information of residents within the Telephone Service Area

○ *If applicable, the Applicant shall provide this information utilizing the templates available on the Communications Division's section of the CPUC's web site at www.cpuc.ca.gov.*

a. If the Applicant or any of its Affiliates is a Telephone Corporation, provide the following baseline description of residents in the Telephone Service Area:

i. *Number of Households:* The number of Households in each Census Tract included in the Telephone Service Area. Utilize the most recent U.S. Census projections of households available as of January 1 of the year the Application is submitted to determine the number of Households.

ii. *Number of Low-Income Households:* The number of Low-Income Households

in each Census Tract included in the Telephone Service Area. Utilize the most recent U.S. Census projections of low-income households available as of January 1, 2007 to determine the number of Low-Income Households.

b. If the Applicant or any of its Affiliates is a Telephone Corporation, provide or attest in the attached Affidavit that Applicant shall provide, no later than 90 calendar days after the date of the Commission's issuance of a State Video Franchise to the Applicant, the following description of residents in the Telephone Service Area:

i. *Wireline Broadband:*

1. The number of Households in each Census Tract to which the Company makes wireline Broadband available.
2. The number of Households in each Census Tract that subscribe to wireline Broadband that the Company makes available.

ii. *Non-Wireline Broadband:*

1. If the Company uses non-wireline technology to provide Broadband, specify the type(s) of technology used in each Census Tract.
2. The number of customers in each Census Tract that subscribe to non-wireline Broadband that the Company makes available.
3. Using geographic information system digital boundaries that meet or exceed national map accuracy standards provide maps that delineate (i) Census Tract boundaries and (ii) where the Company typically makes non-wireline Broadband available.

iii. *Video service:* The number of Households in each Census Tract that are offered Access by the Company.

iv. *Low-Income* (Utilize the most recent U.S. Census projections of low-income households available as of January 1, 2007 to determine the number of Low-Income Households): The number of Low-Income Households that are offered Access by the Company.

17. If a consultant was used to compile the geographic description data, please provide the following:

Consultant Company's Full Legal Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Financial, Legal, and Technical Qualifications

18. a. New Applicants must provide or attest in the attached Affidavit that Applicant shall provide a copy of a fully executed bond in the amount of \$100,000 per 20,000 households in the Video Service Area, with a \$100,000 minimum and a \$500,000

maximum per State Video Franchise Holder, to the Executive Director prior to initiating video service and no later than 5 business days after the date of the Commission's issuance of a State Video Franchise to the Applicant. The bond must list the Commission as obligee and be issued by a corporate surety authorized to transact a surety business in California.

b. Renewal Applicants must have already provided to the Commission a copy of a fully executed bond in the required amount or else this Application will be considered incomplete.

Local Entity Contact Information

19. Utilizing the template provided on the Video Franchise main page of the CPUC website, the Applicant shall provide the contact name and information for a representative from each Local Entity within the Video Service Area.

Application Fee

20. Attach to this Application a check in the amount of \$2,000 made payable to the "California Public Utilities Commission."

Affidavit

21. Complete and submit the affidavit attached as Appendix B to this Application.

A COMPLETE APPLICATION MUST INCLUDE:

Completed Application form CD(s) containing completed templates available on the Commission website Appendix A: Applicant's Principal Officers Appendix B: Affidavit Check in the amount of \$2,000

APPLICANT'S PRINCIPAL OFFICERS

<u>NAME</u>	<u>TITLE</u>
Elizabeth Branson	President
Bruce Branson	Secretary
Ben Branson	Attorney
Matt Branson	Treasurer

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF California

COUNTY OF Inyo

My name is Elizabeth Branson. I am Owner (Title)
of Lone Pine Communications Inc (Company).

My personal knowledge of the facts stated herein has been derived from my employment with Lone Pine Communications Inc (Company).

I swear or affirm that I have personal knowledge of the facts stated in this Application for a California State Video Franchise to provide Video Service, I am competent to testify to them, and I have the authority to make this Application on behalf of and to bind the Company.

New, Transfer and Renewal Applicants:

I further swear or affirm that Lone Pine Communications [Name of Applicant] is not in violation of any final non-appealable order relating to either the Cable Television and Video Providers Customer Service and Information Act (California Public Utilities Code Article 3.5 (commencing with § 53054) of Chapter 1 of Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 5 of the Government Code) or the Video Customer Service Act (California Public Utilities Code Article 4.5 (commencing with § 53088) of Chapter 1 or Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 5 of the Government Code) or the Digital Infrastructure and Video Competition Act of 2006 (California Public Utilities Code §§ 5800 et seq.).

I further swear or affirm that a court of competent jurisdiction has / has not [circle one] found Lone Pine Communications [Name of Applicant] in violation of that order.

I further swear or affirm that a court of competent jurisdiction has / has not [circle one] given Lone Pine Communications [Name of Applicant] formal notice containing allegations that it is in violation of a final non-appealable court order.

If a court of competent jurisdiction finds that the Applicant is in violation of a non-appealable court order, it must provide, with this Application, a further court order or ruling demonstrating that the violation has been cured, if one exists. If no such order exists, the Applicant must attest to the following:

I further swear or affirm that Lone Pine Communications [Name of Applicant] has cured the violation of a non-appealable court order.

All Applicants:

I further swear or affirm that Lone Pine Communications
[Name of Applicant] shall fulfill the following requirements:

1. Applicant has filed or will timely file with the Federal Communications Commission all forms required by the Federal Communications Commission before offering Video Service in this state.
2. Applicant agrees to comply with all lawful city, county, or city and county regulations regarding the time, place, and manner of using the public rights-of-way, including but not limited to, payment of applicable encroachment, permit, and inspection fees.
3. Applicant will concurrently deliver a copy of this Application to any Local Entity in the Video Service Area.
4. Applicant possesses the financial, legal, and technical qualifications necessary to construct and operate the proposed system and promptly repair any damage to the public rights-of-way caused by Applicant.
5. If it has not done so in the Application, or has not submitted socioeconomic data during this year, Applicant shall provide the Commission, no later than 90 calendar days after the date of the Commission's issuance of a State Video Franchise to the Applicant, a complete description of residents' socioeconomic status information, as required by and detailed in Questions 14 and 15 of the Application.
6. If it has not done so in the Application, Applicant shall provide a copy of a fully executed bond in the amount of 10,000 to the Executive Director prior to initiating video service and no later than 5 business days after the date of Commission issuance of a State Video Franchise to the Applicant,. The bond shall list the Commission as obligee and be issued by a corporate surety authorized to transact a surety business in California.

I further swear or affirm that Lone Pine Communications
[Name of Company] agrees to comply with all federal and state statutes, rules, and regulations, including, but not limited to, the following:

1. As provided in Public Utilities Code § 5890, Applicant will not discriminate in the provision of Video Service.
2. Applicant will abide by all applicable consumer protection laws and rules as provided in Public Utilities Code § 5900.
3. Applicant will remit the fee required by California Public Utilities Code § 5860(a) to the Local Entity.
4. Applicant will provide public, educational, and governmental access channels and the required funding as required by Public Utilities Code § 5870.
5. Applicant and any and all of its Affiliates' operations in California now and in the future shall be included for the purposes of applying Public Utilities Code §§ 5840, 5890, 5960, and 5940. Applicant specifically attests to the following:
 - a. Reporting Requirements: Either (i) Applicant or (ii) the parent company of Applicant shall produce Commission-mandated reports for and on behalf of Applicant and any and all of its Affiliates that operate in California. Only one report required pursuant to Public Utilities Code §5960 shall be filed annually, such report to include all pertinent data for the Company.

b. Antidiscrimination:

i. If Applicant and its Affiliates together have more than 1,000,000 telephone customers in California, Applicant shall satisfy the build-out requirements set forth in Public Utilities Code § 5890(b) & (e).

ii. If Applicant and its Affiliates together have less than 1,000,000 telephone customers in California, Applicant shall satisfy any build-out requirements established pursuant in Public Utilities Code § 5890(c).

c. Cross-subsidization: If Applicant or its Affiliates provide stand-alone, residential, primary-line basic telephone service, Applicant shall refrain from using any increase of the rate of this service to finance the cost of deploying a network to provide video service.

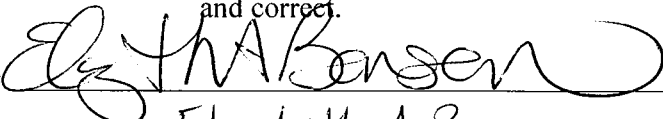
d. "Affiliate," as referenced herein, means any company 5 per cent or more of whose outstanding securities are owned, controlled, or held with power to vote, directly or indirectly either by a state video franchise holder or any of its subsidiaries, or by that state video franchise holder's controlling corporation and/or any of its subsidiaries as well as any company in which the state video franchise holder, its controlling corporation, or any of the state video franchise holder's affiliates exert substantial control over the operation of the company and/or indirectly have substantial financial interests in the company exercised through means other than ownership.

6. Applicant shall fulfill all other requirements imposed by the Digital Infrastructure and Video Competition Act.

7. Lone Pine Communications _____ [Name of Applicant] is a single identifiable entity that is qualified to do business in California and has verifiable assets. This entity shall accept service of process, either directly or through an agent, and submit to the jurisdiction of California courts.

I swear or affirm that all of the statements and representations made in this Application are true and correct.

Signature and title



Typed or printed name and title

Elizabeth A Branson - owner

AFFIDAVIT

State of California

County of Inyo

Subscribed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me on this 3RD day of MARCH 20 22,

by, ELIZABETH ANNE BRANSON personally known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) who appeared before me.

Seal _____

Signature [Handwritten Signature]



(END OF ATTACHMENT B)

