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## Board Votes to Approve the Comcast Cable Franchise Agreement

Westminster, Thursday, January 28, 2016 – The Carroll County Board of Commissioners has voted to authorize Mark Ripper, as their representative to the Carroll Cable Regulatory Commission (CCRC), to cast a yes vote on the proposed Comcast Cable Franchise Agreement. A positive vote by the Commission will allow the Comcast Cable Franchise Agreement to become effective in March. The CCRC will vote on the proposed agreement at their February 11, 2016 meeting. A unanimous vote by the Commission is required for approval.

The commissioners are pleased with the agreement because it expands the opportunity for cable service to more citizens than the previous agreement. Private roads may now be wired and counted into the density of public roads when determining service eligibility. Additionally, citizens may now have the opportunity to save money by doing some of their own trenching work.

The CCRC is responsible for administering the cable television franchise agreement, the provision of public, educational and government access services and the institutional network. The Commission is composed of nine volunteer members representing each municipality and the county. Under state and federal law, the CCRC only has authority over Comcast's cable television service.

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