

ORDINANCE NO 35

**AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING RATE REGULATIONS
CONSISTENT WITH REGULATIONS ADOPTED BY THE
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
PURSUANT 47 USC S543 (B)**

The Township of Plainfield ordains:

Section 1.

The Plainfield Board adopts by reference rules of the Federal Communication Commission set forth in Subpart N (Cable Rate Regulation) of part 76 (Cable Television Service) of Chapter I of Title 47 of the Code of Federal Regulation regarding the regulation of cable television rates for basic service and associated equipment as amended. A copy of the rules is available in the office of the Township Clerk for public inspection and copying during normal business hours.

Section 2.

After a cable operator has submitted for review its existing rates for the basic tier and associated equipment costs or a proposed increase in these rates, the clerk shall publish a public notice of the rates and costs giving interested parties, including the cable operator, a reasonable opportunity to file written comments which shall be available in the office of the Township Clerk for public inspection and copying during normal business hours.

Section 3.

The Plainfield Board adopts procedures set forth in 47 CRF S 0.459 regarding confidential business information submitted by the cable operator in a rate regulation proceeding. A copy of these rules are available in the office of the Township Clerk for public inspection and copying during normal business hours.

Section 4.

A cable operator which willfully or repeatedly fails to comply with a rate decision or refund order directed specifically at the cable operator shall be subject to a monetary forfeiture not to exceed \$25,000 for each violation or each day of a continuing violation not to exceed \$250,000 as determined by the Township Board following the procedures set forth in 47 USC SS 503 (2) (D), (3) (A) & (B), (4) (A), (B) & (C), and which are adopted by reference. A copy of these rules are available in the office of the Township Clerk for public inspection and copying during normal business hours.