

**14.704 Authority Not Exclusive.**

The right to use and occupy said streets and roads for the purposes herein set forth shall not be exclusive and Howard County reserves the right to grant a similar use of said street and roads to any persons, company, corporation, or any other entity, at any time during the period of the franchise issued pursuant to this Act.

**14.705 Construction and Installation of System.**

(a) The Grantee shall immediately after the grant of a franchise make arrangements so that its Community Antenna Television System has the capability of transmitting at least thirty (30) standard channels and all those non-standard channels available in a thirty (30) standard channel system, for delivery to subscribers as soon as possible not later than one year from the effective date of franchise.

(b) The Grantee shall provide all subscribers to Basic Service with a converter for each outlet having a capacity of at least thirty (30) channels. If the Grantee should fail to comply with this Subsection, the Grantee shall have the burden of establishing that non-compliance resulted from factors beyond its control. (c) The Grantee shall provide all subscribers to Basic Service with two way capability for audio/data, message and signalling, and one way video capability and shall provide all public agencies, public and private schools, police and fire stations, hospitals, prisons, reformatories, detention centers, day care centers, and such other locations as the Executive may from time to time direct, with a full range of two way capability for audio/data message and signalling and two way video capability. The costs of any such installation outside of the District shall be paid equally by Howard County and the Grantee provided however, additional services shall be provided to public agencies, including but not limited to public and private schools, police and fire stations, hospitals, prisons, reformatories, detention centers, day care centers, free of charge. (d) The Grantee shall extend the installation of cables, amplifiers, two way capability and related equipment throughout the District on a non-discriminatory basis on a time schedule to be set forth in detail in the franchise. Within six (6) years from the effective date of a franchise granted pursuant to this Act, the Grantee's trunk line installations of cable, two way capability, amplifiers and related equipment shall be capable of providing Basic Service to every subscriber within the District. (e) For the purpose of permitting the transmission of signals throughout Howard County the Community Antenna Television System if the Grantee shall be capable of interconnection with any other broadband communications facility authorized by the Council to operate in an adjacent District. Within four (4) years the Grantee's Community Antenna Television System shall be capable of interconnection with any adjacent community television system (as defined by the F.C.C.) outside Howard County. Any actual interconnection may be ordered by the Executive upon reasonable terms and conditions. Costs of interconnection when so ordered shall be borne by the Grantees. (f) Without charge to Howard County, the Grantee shall provide all transmission facilities necessary to pick up the signals of Howard County Channels and transmit them throughout the Community Antenna Television System from a studio whose location in the County shall be designated by the Executive after consultation with the Grantee. (g) The Grantee shall immediately undertake any construction and installation as may be necessary now and in the future to keep pace with the latest developments in the state of the art, whether with respect to increasing channel capacity, furnishing improved converters, installing