

CHARTER OF THE LEAD INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR

The Board of Directors of Alaska Communications Systems Group, Inc. and Alaska Communications Systems Holdings, Inc. (each, the “Company”) considers it to be useful and appropriate to designate a non-employee director to serve in a lead capacity to coordinate the activities of the other non-employee directors and to perform such other duties and responsibilities as the Board of Directors may determine (the “Lead Independent Director”).

The specific responsibilities of the Lead Independent Director when acting as such shall be as follows:

1.1. Advise the Chairperson as to schedule of Board meetings, seeking to ensure that the non-employee directors can perform their duties responsibly while not interfering with ongoing company operations;

1.2. Approve with the Chairperson the agenda for the Board of Directors' and meetings;

1.3. Advise the Chairperson as to the quality, quantity and timeliness of the information submitted by the Company's management that is necessary or appropriate for the non-employee directors to effectively and responsibly perform their duties;

1.4. Recommend to the Chairperson the retention of advisers and consultants who report directly to the Board of Directors;

1.5. Calling meetings of the non-employee directors;

1.6. Develop the agendas for and serve as Chairperson of the executive sessions of the Board's non-employee directors;

1.7. Serve as principal liaison between the non-employee directors and the Chairperson on sensitive issues;

1.8. Recommend to the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee and to the Chairperson the membership of the various Board Committees, as well as the selection of Committee chairs; and

1.9. Serve as Chairperson of the Board when the Chairperson is not present.

The General Counsel of the Company shall serve as the primary contact to the Lead Independent Director and the other non-employee directors with regards to advice and counsel as requested by non-employee directors, the engagement of outside advisers, and otherwise as requested; nevertheless, each director has complete access to any Company employee in accordance with the Board's Corporate Governance Principles and Guidelines.