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10 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**

11 **DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

12 TIMOTHY LONG,

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14 Plaintiff(s),

15 vs.

16 NATIONAL CONSUMER TELECOM
 17 & UTILITIES EXCHANGE, INC.; COX
 18 COMMUNICATIONS,

19 Defendant(s).
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Case No.: 2:22-cv-01001-APG-NJK

**STIPULATED PROTECTIVE
 ORDER**

21 IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED by and between Timothy Long (“Plaintiff”), National
 22 Consumer Telecom & Utilities Exchange, Inc. (“NCTUE”), and Cox Communications (“Cox”),
 23 collectively the “Parties”, by and through their counsel of record, as follows:

24 WHEREAS, documents and information have been and may be sought, produced or exhibited
 25 by and among the parties to this action relating to trade secrets, confidential research, development,
 26 technology or other proprietary information belonging to the defendants and/or personal income, credit
 27 and other confidential information of Plaintiff.
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1 THEREFORE, an Order of this Court protecting such confidential information shall be and
2 hereby is made by this Court on the following terms:

3 1. This Order shall govern the use, handling and disclosure of all documents, testimony or
4 information produced or given in this action which are designated to be subject to this Order in
5 accordance with the terms hereof.

6 2. Any party or non-party producing or filing documents or other materials in this action
7 may designate such materials and the information contained therein subject to this Order by typing or
8 stamping on the front of the document, or on the portion(s) of the document for which confidential
9 treatment is designated, "Confidential."
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11 3. See order issued concurrently herewith.
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18 4. All documents, transcripts, or other materials subject to this Order, and all information
19 derived therefrom (including, but not limited to, all testimony, deposition, or otherwise, that refers,
20 reflects or otherwise discusses any information designated Confidential hereunder), shall not be used,
21 directly or indirectly, by any person, including the Parties, for commercial or competitive purposes or
22 for any purpose whatsoever other than solely for the preparation and trial of this action in accordance
23 with the provisions of this Order.
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26 5. All depositions or portions of depositions taken in this action that contain confidential
27 information may be designated as "Confidential" and thereby obtain the protections accorded other
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1 confidential information. The parties shall have twenty-one (21) days from the date a deposition is
2 taken, or fourteen (14) days from the date a deposition transcript is received, whichever date is greater,
3 to serve a notice to all parties designating portions as “Confidential.” Until such time, all deposition
4 testimony shall be treated as confidential information. To the extent any designations are made on the
5 record during the deposition, the designating party need not serve a notice re-designating those portions
6 of the transcript as confidential information. Any party may challenge any such designation in
7 accordance with Paragraph 14 of this Order.
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9 6. Except with the prior written consent of the individual or entity designating a document
10 or portions of a document as “Confidential,” or pursuant to prior Order after notice, any document,
11 transcript or pleading given “Confidential” treatment under this Order, and any information contained
12 in, or derived from any such materials (including but not limited to, all deposition testimony that refers,
13 reflects or otherwise discusses any information designated confidential hereunder) may not be disclosed
14 other than in accordance with this Order and may not be disclosed to any person other than: (a) the
15 Court and its officers; (b) parties to this litigation; (c) counsel for the parties, whether retained counsel
16 or in-house counsel and employees of counsel assigned to assist such counsel in the preparation of this
17 litigation; (d) fact witnesses subject to a proffer to the Court or a stipulation of the parties that such
18 witnesses need to know such information; (e) present or former employees of the producing party in
19 connection with their depositions in this action (provided that no former employees shall be shown
20 documents prepared after the date of his or her departure); and (f) experts specifically retained as
21 consultants or expert witnesses in connection with this litigation.
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24 7. Documents produced pursuant to this Order shall not be made available to any person
25 designated in Subparagraph 6 (f) unless he or she shall have first read this Order, agreed to be bound
26 by its terms, and signed the attached Declaration of Compliance.
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1 8. Third parties who are the subject of discovery requests, subpoenas or depositions in
2 this case may take advantage of the provisions of this Protective Order by providing the parties with
3 written notice that they intend to comply with and be bound by the terms of this Protective Order.

4 9. All persons receiving any or all documents produced pursuant to this Order shall be
5 advised of their confidential nature. All persons to whom confidential information and/or documents
6 are disclosed are hereby enjoined from disclosing same to any person except as provided herein, and
7 are further enjoined from using same except in the preparation for and trial of the above-captioned
8 action between the named parties thereto. No person receiving or reviewing such confidential
9 documents, information or transcript shall disseminate or disclose them to any person other than those
10 described above in Paragraph 6 and for the purposes specified, and in no event, shall such person make
11 any other use of such document or transcript.
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13 10. Nothing in this Order shall prevent a party from using at trial any information or materials
14 designated “Confidential.”
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16 11. This Order has been agreed to by the parties to facilitate discovery and the production of
17 relevant evidence in this action. Neither the entry of this Order, nor the designation of any information,
18 document, or the like as “Confidential,” nor the failure to make such designation, shall constitute
19 evidence with respect to any issue in this action.
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21 12. Inadvertent Disclosure of Protected or Privileged Information.

22 (a) Inadvertent failure to designate any document, transcript, or other materials
23 “Confidential” will not constitute a waiver of an otherwise valid claim of confidentiality pursuant to
24 this Order, so long as a claim of confidentiality is promptly asserted after discovery of the inadvertent
25 failure. If a party designates a document as “Confidential” after it was initially produced, the receiving
26 party, on notification of the designation, must make a reasonable effort to assure that the document is
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1 treated in accordance with the provisions of this Order, and upon request from the producing party
2 certify that the designated documents have been maintained as confidential information. **The**
3 **designating party shall have the burden of proving that any document designated as**
4 **CONFIDENTIAL is entitled to such protection.**

5 (b) In addition to Federal Rule of Evidence 502, the parties agree that the
6 inadvertent production or disclosure of documents or information subject to the attorney-client
7 privilege, work product immunity, or any other applicable privilege shall not constitute a waiver of,
8 nor a prejudice to, any claim that such or related material is Protected Information, privileged, or
9 protected by the work product immunity or any other applicable privilege, provided that the Producing
10 Party promptly notifies the Receiving Party in writing after discovery of such inadvertent production
11 or disclosure.

12 (c) Such inadvertently-produced or disclosed documents or information, including
13 all copies thereof, shall be returned to the Producing Party or destroyed immediately upon request.
14 The Receiving Party shall also immediately destroy any notes or other writing or recordings that
15 summarize, reflect, or discuss the content of such privileged or Protected Information.

16 (d) No use shall be made of such documents or information in discovery, in
17 deposition. Nor shall such documents or information be shown to anyone,
18 after a request for their return, who is not entitled to have access to them. In the case of an inadvertently
19 produced or disclosed document, the Producing Party shall include the inadvertently produced or
20 disclosed Discovery Material in a privilege log identifying such document. The Receiving Party may
21 move the Court for an Order compelling production of any inadvertently produced or disclosed
22 document or information, but the motion shall not assert as a ground for production the fact of the
23 inadvertent production or disclosure, nor shall the motion disclose, summarize, characterize, or
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1 otherwise use the content of the inadvertently produced document or information (beyond any
2 information appearing on the above-referenced privilege log).

3 13. Within sixty (60) days after the final termination of this litigation, all documents,
4 transcripts, or other materials afforded confidential treatment pursuant to this Order, including any
5 extracts, summaries or compilations taken therefrom, but excluding any materials which in the good
6 faith judgment of counsel are work product materials, shall be returned to the Producing Party. In lieu
7 of return, the parties may agree to destroy the documents, to the extent practicable.
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9 14. In the event that any party to this litigation disagrees at any point in these proceedings
10 with any designation made under this Protective Order, the parties shall first try to resolve such dispute
11 in good faith on an informal basis. If the dispute cannot be resolved, the party objecting to the
12 designation may seek appropriate relief from this Court. During the pendency of any challenge to the
13 designation of a document or information, the designated document or information shall continue to be
14 treated as “Confidential” subject to the provisions of this Protective Order.
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16 15. Nothing herein shall affect or restrict the rights of any party with respect to its own
17 documents or to the information obtained or developed independently of documents, transcripts and
18 materials afforded confidential treatment.
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16. The Court retains the right to allow disclosure of any subject covered by this stipulation or to modify this stipulation at any time in the interest of justice.

IT IS SO STIPULATED.

Dated: October 7, 2022.

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ORDER

IT IS SO ORDERED.



UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

Dated: October 11, 2022

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF NEVADA

TIMOTHY LONG,

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Plaintiff(s),

vs.

**EXHIBIT A
DECLARATION OF COMPLIANCE**

NATIONAL CONSUMER TELECOM &
UTILITIES EXCHANGE, INC.; COX
COMMUNICATIONS,

Defendant(s).

I, _____, declare as follows:

1. My address is: _____.
2. My present employer, occupation and job description are:

3. On _____, I received a copy of the Stipulated Protective Order and I have carefully read and understand the terms of the Stipulated Protective Order.

4. I will comply with all provisions of the Stipulated Protective Order and I will hold in confidence, and will not disclose to anyone not qualified under the Stipulated Protective Order, any information, documents or other materials produced subject to this Stipulated Protective Order and I will use such information, documents or other materials only for purposes of this present action.

5. Upon termination of this action, or upon request, I will return and deliver all information, documents or other materials produced subject to the Stipulated Protective Order, and all documents or things which I have prepared relating to the information, documents or other materials that are subject to the Stipulated Protective Order, to my counsel in this action, or to counsel for the party by whom I am employed or retained or from whom I received the documents.

6. I hereby submit to the jurisdiction of this Court for the purposes of enforcing the Stipulated Protective Order in this action. I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States that the following is true and correct.

Executed this ___ day of _____, 2022 at _____.

(Signature of Qualified Person)