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**Board of Selectmen  
Town of Chilmark  
401 Middle Road  
P.O. Box 119  
Chilmark, MA 02535**

**Dear Chairman and Members of the Board::**

Comcast is pleased to announce that it will continue to provide high-speed Internet service to **Chilmark** schools, and your local library, free of charge again this year, continuing the company's tradition of putting its advanced fiber technology to work for the communities we serve.

Comcast has offered free high-speed Internet service to schools, libraries and Boys & Girls Clubs across the region since our arrival in 2003. Comcast also uses an advanced fiber-rich network to deliver free cable television service to schools and other public buildings in **Chilmark**. The company's broadband contribution in **Chilmark** alone has an annual value of more than **\$1138.8**.

Additionally, Comcast recently launched Internet Essentials, a program which provides families with children who are eligible to receive free lunches under the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) with low-cost Internet service, affordable computers and digital literacy training. The goal of Internet Essentials is to help close the digital divide and ensure more Americans benefit from all the Internet has to offer. The national program addresses what research has identified as the three primary barriers to broadband adoption – 1) a lack of understanding of how the Internet is relevant and useful; 2) the cost of a home computer; and 3) the cost of Internet service. The launch of this program has been a collaborative effort with schools, community leadership and community based organizations throughout the country. To learn more, please visit [www.internetessentials.com](http://www.internetessentials.com).

Comcast is focused on delivering the best in innovation, information and entertainment to our customers in **Chilmark** and across the region. We are committed to using our resources to make meaningful investments in communities where our customers and employees live and work. Comcast is pleased to help make a difference in schools and libraries by providing fast and reliable video and high-speed Internet connections.

As always, it has been a pleasure working with your community and we look forward to continuing our support of **Chilmark** for years to come.

Sincerely yours,

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