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Ingo Hentschel named Cox's Market Vice President for San Diego; Chanelle Hawken named West Region Vice President of Government and Public Affairs

SAN DIEGO, Calif. – January 12, 2023 – Ingo Hentschel has been named to the newly created role of market vice president for Cox Communications in San Diego. This new role will allow Hentschel to focus his attention on San Diego, working with business and community partners and local civic leaders to support and enhance the customer experience, help address local opportunities and ensure San Diegans have access to the connectivity necessary to power the future. He also will continue providing Cox engagement in the community on key initiatives and leadership for employees in San Diego.

A former crew chief with the U.S. Marine Corps, Hentschel first joined Cox 31 years ago as a field technician in Palos Verdes, Calif. following his military service. He then moved to San Diego, where has held various leadership and operational roles over the past three decades.

Hentschel holds a Bachelor of Business Management degree from Webster University in St. Louis, Mo. and serves on the board of directors for the USS Midway Museum in San Diego and the California State University San Marcos Foundation. He also supports FourBlock, a nonprofit that offers career readiness and professional networking opportunities for veterans.

“For more than 30 years, Ingo has been a key member of our organization and has built strong ties in San Diego County, where he raised his family and has served our customers and community,” said Sam Attisha, Cox’s senior vice president and region manager who oversees operations of the company’s West Region, comprised of California, Arizona, Nevada and Idaho. “I’m excited for Ingo to take on this newly created role in San Diego that will enable us to put even greater focus locally on our customers and community.”

Attisha also announced that Chanelle Hawken will step into an expanded role as vice president of public and government affairs for the West Region.

Hawken, who has provided leadership for government affairs, community relations and internal and external communications in California for nearly seven years, expands her leadership to the same areas in Arizona, Nevada and Idaho.

“Chanelle brings 20-plus years of service to the public through various leadership roles in government and business, and I’m excited that she is stepping into this expanded role,” said Attisha.

Prior to joining Cox in 2016, Hawken was vice president of public policy for the San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce, overseeing all policy efforts on the local, state and federal level. She also worked in government and media relations with the San Diego Regional Airport Authority and served on the staff of Congressman Scott Peters.

Hawken serves as chair of the Downtown San Diego Partnership board of directors, is a board member of LEAD San Diego and the Building Industry Association of San Diego and sits on the Executive Board of the California Cable and Telecommunications Association.

She received her bachelor’s degree in political science from UC San Diego and her law degree from the University of San Diego. She is a member of the California State Bar and completed an executive education program through Harvard Business School in 2022.

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