**FCC re: Merger of Sinclair Broadcasting and Tribune Co\_102817**

The Sinclair-Tribune merger would create a huge network that would deal primarily in false or highly biased reporting and propaganda, reaching over 70% of U.S. households. Sinclair is infamous for injecting its right-wing views on local TV affiliates, such as requiring news shows to run a daily "terrorism alert." If this merger goes through, they will do even more to influence news coverage that could affect the 2018 and 2020 elections. At a time when unbiased news coverage is becoming harder and harder to find, creating a huge network devoted to this kind of unverified reporting would contribute to the polarizing and un-democratization of the United State.