



September 19, 2018

VIA ECFS

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
455 12th Street SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Notice of Ex Parte, *Implementation of Section 621(a)(1) of the Cable Communications Policy Act of 1984 as amended by the Cable Television Consumer Protection and Competition Act of 1992*, MB Docket No. 05-311

Dear Ms. Dortch,

On September 17, 2018, Rick Chessen of NCTA – The Internet & Television Association; Tara Corvo of Mintz, on behalf of NCTA; Jordan Goldstein, on behalf of Comcast; Christi Barnhart and Maureen O’Connell, on behalf of Charter; and Barry Ohlson, on behalf of Cox met with Evan Swarztrauber, Policy Advisor for Commissioner Carr.

We discussed the remand issues arising out of the 6th Circuit Court Decision, *Montgomery County, Maryland v. FCC, et al.* We explained that franchising authorities continue to make demands for multiple franchises for services offered over the same cable system and for fees that exceed five percent of gross cable revenues, and that these demands arise at both the state and local levels. We also discussed the substantial non-cash contributions that franchising authorities commonly require, and explained that such demands contradict the limitations that Congress imposed on the amount cable operators can be expected to contribute to local communities.

This letter is being filed electronically pursuant to section 1.1206 of the Commission’s rules.

Respectfully submitted,

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Tara M. Corvo

cc: Evan Swarztrauber