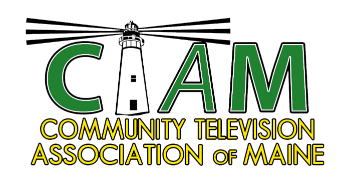
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November 10, 2018

The Honorable Ajit V. Pai

Chairman

Federal Communications Commission

455 12th Street, Southwest

Washington, DC, 20544

Dear Chairman Pai,

I am writing on behalf of the Community Television Association of Maine, (CTAM) an Affiliate of Maine Municipal Association. CTAM represents 72 PEG stations in Maine who wish to express their concern about and disapproval of the proposals and tentative conclusions set forth in the FCC’s September 25 Further Notice of Proposed Rule Making in 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 05- 311.

Community Television has been alive and well in Maine, serving over 300,000 homes for the past 33 years. Your decision in this matter will have a direct and devastating effect on the operation of our stations because it will remove a primary source of funding which was granted to municipalities by the Cable Act as rental for the use of the public right of way. Many communities use those proceeds to fund Community Television, thus returning to the subscriber the value of seeing their local government and schools at work in exchange for the franchise fee that the cable operator has chosen to pass through to them.

Please don't make it difficult or impossible for citizens to see their local municipal meetings and events, we urge you not to adopt the proposals in the Further Notice. Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

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