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Before the
Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554

In the Matters of)	
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TeleCable of Piedmont, Inc.)	CC Docket No. 95-93
)	
Cencom Cable Income Partners, II, L.P.,)	
Cencom Cable Entertainment, Inc., and)	
Cencom Cable Television, Inc.,)	PA 90-0003
)	PA 91-0001
TeleCable of Spartanburg, Inc. and)	PA 91-0002
TeleCable of Greenville, Inc.,)	
)	
Complainants,)	DOCKET FILE COPY ORIGINAL
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v.)	
)	
Duke Power Company)	
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Respondent)	

To: The Honorable John M. Frysiak, Administrative Law Judge

**RESPONSE TO JOINT MOTION TO DEFER
BRIEFING AND PRE-HEARING DATES**

On August 16, 1995, Complainants and Respondent in this case jointly filed a "Motion to Defer Briefing and Pre-Hearing Dates" ("Motion"). In the Motion, these parties represent that they have reached a settlement in principle on all rate issues, but are still in the process of calculating the amount of their monetary settlement. To facilitate completion of the settlement process, Complainants, joined by the Respondent, have requested that "the briefing and pre-hearing date be deferred pending filing by August 31, of the complete settlement and entry of an Order based upon the settlement." (Motion at 2.)

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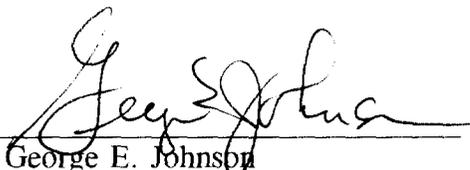
The Chief, Common Carrier Bureau, through her attorney, supports the Motion. The Commission encourages negotiations and mutually agreeable settlements in complaint cases, inasmuch as eliminating the need for further litigation and the expenditure of time and resources of the Commission is in the public interest. See, e.g., Longview Cable TV Company, Inc., et al. v. Southwestern Electric Power Company, 5 FCC Rc'd 686 (1990); Warner Amex Cable Communications, Inc. v. Southwestern Electric Power Company, 5 FCC Rc'd 578 (1990).

The Chief, Common Carrier Bureau, therefore supports deferral of the briefing requirement until August 31, 1995. Should the parties not file a complete settlement agreement and motion to approve the settlement by that date, they should be required to file their briefs on that date, and a pre-hearing conference should be held as soon thereafter as is practicable.

Respectfully submitted,

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August 17, 1995

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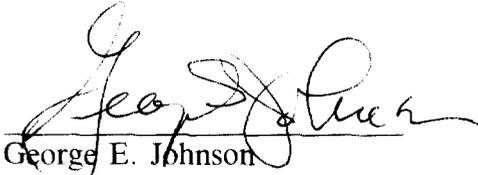
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