

From: Carla Hamilton <hamilton@unv.ch>
To: A7.A7(rchong)
Date: 9/1/95 7:35am
Subject: CONCERNED CITIZEN

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Commissioner Rachelle Chong
Federal Communications Commission
1919 M Street, NW
Washington, D.C. 20554

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Dear Commissioner Chong:

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Sincerely,

Carla Hamilton
United Nations Volunteers

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To: A7.A7(rchong)
Date: 8/31/95 6:04pm
Subject: Children' Television

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I am taking this time to write a note as a future parent -- with the apparent demise of the Public Broadcasting System by the present actions of our new congress and because the airwaves are a property of the citizen's of this country, I think it is necessary for the FCC to mandate "Educational Children's Programming,"

The FCC already mandates other community affairs related shows, why not mandate quality children's programming?

There is no reason to say no. The airwaves belong to the citizen's of the US and the majority want educational programming for children.

Please take the time, listen to the public and make the right decision to support Children's educational programming.

Sincerely,

Peter Leahy
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Columbus, Ohio 43201
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Subject: educational programing

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Sincerely,

Jennifer R. Block
5815 Ayala Ave. #A
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Subject: educational programming

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20541

Dear Commissioner Chong:

I'd like to add my support to the quantitative guidelines for 3-5 hours per week of educational programming on the television networks. As a parent, I find it appalling that the major networks do so little to enlighten youth. Instead, I would like to have some alternatives that I can offer my children besides the Discovery channel (which is great, but it can't serve every need in the family).

I really believe that television plays a significant role in educating youth--often in negative instead of positive ways. Poor role models for problem-solving, communicating, worker traits, leadership, relationships, ETC., are bombarding children and youth on almost every channel. It's no wonder that many youth are so sarcastic, disrespectful, disillusioned, and unfocused. If culture sets the tone for our culture (and I think it does), then the American public needs to take a good hard look at its culture. It's not very flattering. We need to have leaders in Washington who will promote a culture of learning, a positive perspective, and a model of excellence. I hope that you will be among those who provide such leadership.

Sincerely,

Zark VanZandt
Gorham, Maine

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From: Mary Sue Ammon <msammon@nature.Berkeley.EDU>
To: Commissioner Rachelle Chong <rchong@fcc.gov>
Date: 8/31/95 1:56pm
Subject: Childrens' Television Act

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Dear Commissioner Chong:

As a professional in the area of literacy education and as a parent, I am writing to ask you to please vote for new rules to require television stations to provide a minimum of 3-5 hours of educational programming for children each week.

It is clear that without such regulation, many broadcasters will not provide even this small amount of real educational programming. Please vote to take this positive step for the education of our children.

Sincerely,
Mary Sue Ammon, Ph.D.
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Orinda, CA 94563

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From: DAVID J. PRATTO <DJPRATTO@DURKHEIM.UNCG.EDU>
To: A7.A7(rchong)
Date: 8/31/95 3:12pm
Subject: Children's programming on TV

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Dear Ms. Chong;

I am writing to add my voice to the many who think that a specific number of hours of quality programming for children is needed on TV in America. I would rather insure some limited amount of children oriented programming than begin to engage in censorship to assure that children can look at TV.

Sincerely yours,

David J. Pratto
413 S. Chapman St.
Greensboro, NC 27403

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910-334-5295 (W)

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From: Tom and Debbie Miller <tomndeb@ix.netcom.com>
To: A7.A7(rchong)
Date: 8/31/95 3:30pm
Subject: Children's Television

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Sincerely,

Tom and Debbie Miller
1201 E. Main #143
Round Rock TX 78664

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From: Michael A Gordon <mgordon@csd.uwm.edu>
To: A7.A7(rchong)
Date: 8/31/95 2:10pm
Subject: Quantitative Guideline to enforce Children's TV Act

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Dear Commissioner Chong:

As a parent of a four-year-old son and a five-year-old daughter, I read with much interest and concern the information sent to me by Children Now about the proposal the FCC is considering to require television stations to provide three to five hours a week of educational programming for children. We monitor what our children watch closely and do not allow them to watch more than an hour a day. As I am sure you know, too many children's television programs on commercial stations are filled with violence, present negative role models, and have little qualitative merit. The programming standard you are considering could help to improve children's program substantially, and I strongly urge you to vote for the new rules that will require stations to provide a specific amount of educational programming for children each week.

Thank you for considering this plea.

Sincerely,

Michael A. Gordon
3208 N. 49th Street
Milwaukee, WI 53216
Phone: 414-873-5343 (home), 414-229-4314 (work)

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From: Neicole Crepeau <neicolec@microsoft.com>
To: A7.A7(rchong)
Date: 8/31/95 2:17pm
Subject: Tighter regulations for educational programming

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Ms. Chong,

I am writing to ask you to vote for the package of proposals to toughen regulation and enforcement of the Children's Television Act. As a new parent, I am very concerned about the low level of educational programming available for children, and the general low quality of children's programming. I believe the broadcasters have not made a real effort to provide quality programming and will not choose to do so voluntarily. I urge you to help the children of America by placing stricter requirements on broadcasters and, in particular, requiring 3-5 hours/week of educational programming.

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Woodinville, WA 98072

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From: Connie Koprowicz <connie.koprowicz@ncsl.org>
To: A7.A7(rchong)
Date: 8/31/95 2:18pm
Subject: NO re: kids t.v. regs

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I have observed a campaign on the Internet that is encouraging people to contact you regarding the regulation of television programming.

Please note that I am NOT in favor of the FCC requiring television stations to air a set number of hours of educational tv for children. While I do believe educational children's television is important, I greatly prefer people to lobby the stations themselves, using the power of the market to institute change rather than reaching to Washington for regulations. I urge you to cast a NO vote on this proposal.

Connie Koprowicz
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Denver, Colorado

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From: <AndreaP742@aol.com>
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Date: 8/31/95 3:13pm
Subject: Children's TV

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As a grandmother I care deeply about insuring that my grandchildren and all children get educational programs on the TV. Not all children have access to cable. Public TV, which provides some good programs, is under attack. Please vote for new rules to require television stations to provide a specific amount of educational programming for children each week. We need substantive and meaningful implementation of the CTA.

Sincerely, Andrea Palmer, 338 Westland Drive, Frankfort, KY 40601

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Date: 8/31/95 4:41pm
Subject: Children's TV

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Please support the rulemaking to require children's programming (without commercials) as a condition of licensing. If the station applying for a license does not want to have the programming itself, it can pay for another station to produce and run it. My father, Newton Minow, was Chairman of the FCC in 1961-63. My children are now the age I was then. I cannot allow my children to watch tv, because there is almost nothing I feel comfortable letting them see. As long as the spectrum is limited, stations must be required to act in the public interest.

Nell Minow
4102 North River Street
McLean, VA 22101-5814

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From: Lynn Fischer <lynnfi@microsoft.com>
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Subject: FW: CN: Children' Television Update (fwd)

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Sincerely,

Lynn M. Fischer
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From: margie stein <margie@oeonline.com>
To: A7.A7(rchong)
Date: 8/31/95 5:07pm
Subject: Children's Television Programming

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Dear Ms. Chong:

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I am a parent of two children who would love to watch more tv than they are currently allowed. Their viewing is restricted for several reasons, not the least of which is lack of quality programming available. I am asking on behalf of my 5 and 6 year olds, and myself, that you please support a requirement that television stations provide a MINIMUM of 3-5 hours per week of educationally based programming.

My request is that you vote in FAVOR of new rules to require television stations to provide a specific amount of educational program each week.. though my preference would be a daily, rather than weekly requirement.

Thank you for your interest and support of our children' best interests.

Sincerely,

Margie Stein
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Subject: Children's tv

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Dear Commissioner Chong:

As someone who is personally and professionally interested in the future of children, I am writing to ask that you please vote for new rules to require television stations to provide a specified amount of educational programming for children each week.

I am thrilled that the Commission is considering such rules that will enforce the Children's Television Act fully. Please support a minimum of 3-5 hours a week of educational television shows for children.

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely yours,
C. Anne Broussard, Ph.D.
19 Christopher Drive
Oxford, Ohio 45056

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From: David Marsters <dmarster@together.net>
To: A7.A7(rchong)
Date: 8/31/95 8:42pm

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Dear Commissioner Chong,

I am writing to encourage you to support the "quantitative guideline" to enforce the Children's Television Act. As a parent of young children I have readily seen the negative impacts of much of television programming. While we monitor what our children watch, limit tv time and discuss what is watched with them, they visit households where this is not the norm. We can see the impact on our children when they have been allowed to watch senseless garbage be it violent or vacant. We need more educational programming available to more children. In my role as an educator I can see the difference in children who can talk about their experience of Sesame Street or Bill Nye the Science Guy versus some of the fluff which competes with these programs.

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From: Haney Kate <Haney.Kate@mail.ndhm.gtegsc.com>
To: fcc <rchong@fcc.gov>
Date: 8/31/95 11:32am
Subject: New Rules to Enforce Children's TV Act

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From: Haney Kate on Thu, Aug 31, 1995 7:32 AM
Subject: New Rules to Enforce Children's TV Act

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Commissioner Chong:

Although I have no children, I am deeply concerned about the effects of commercial television -- its violent content, its highly commercial focus, and, most important, the vast numbers of hours children today spend watching it -- on our nation's youth.

After two decades of work, the Children's Television Act passed, yet it still isn't working. At best, broadcasters' compliance is dubious; at worst, it grossly flouts the Act's intent.

Please support the programming standard that mandates stations air a minimum of 3-5 hours a week of educational shows. Please also support specific definitions of what constitutes educational programming. Without such quantitative and qualitative guidelines, the Act is neither strong nor enforceable enough to meet its original intent.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Kathleen Haney
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West Roxbury, MA 02132

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Subject: Children's TV

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Dear Commissioner Chong,

It is my understanding that the FCC is considering new rules to fully enforce the Children's Television Act. These rules would address a definition of educational programming, identification of educational quality for children at the time a program is aired, and a mandate that stations air a minimum of 3 hours per week (to increase to 5 over several years) of educational shows for children.

As a professor of human development and family relationships, as well as a parent myself, I urge you and your fellow commissioners to give these proposed policies your attention and favor.

Sincerely,

Deborah Gentry, Ed.D.

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From: Peggy Patten <ppatten@uiuc.edu>
To: A7.A7(rchong)
Date: 8/31/95 10:16am
Subject: Children's Television

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Dear Commission Chong:

As a parent of three young children and a professional in the field of early care and education I am writing to ask you to vote for new rules requiring television stations to provide more educational programming for children each week. I would also encourage additional limits on the amount of commercial time allowed in children's programming and the amount of violence permitted.

I just completed a training curriculum on the impact of media violence on children with other colleagues in Cooperative Extension here in Illinois.

I am shocked by what the research tells us about the negative effects on children's behavior of media violence and commercialism in television.

The networks have been very slow to comply with the voluntary guidelines put forward in the Children's Television Act. As a society we need to show more responsibility in protecting our children from the kind of exploitation currently present in daily programming. Please support a the educational programming requirement and limit the commercial air time permitted during children's programming. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Peggy Patten
609 W. Indiana
Urbana, IL 61801

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From: McKinley T. Williams <MWILLIAM@SEATTLE.LEGENT.COM>
To: 'Rachel Chong' <rchong@fcc.gov>
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Subject: RE: CN: Children's Television Update

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Sincerely,

McKinley Williams
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Kent, WA 98031-7224

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To: Rachel Chong - Internet <rchong@fcc.gov>
Date: 8/31/95 1:10pm
Subject: Children's Programming on TV

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Sincerely,

Ben Larson
228 Greenwood
Hereford, TX 79045

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Date: 8/31/95 10:43am
Subject: New rules for the Children's Television Act

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Dear Commissioner Chong:

I understand that the FCC is considering new rules to require television stations to provide a specific amount of educational programming for children each week, as well as a realistic definition of educational programming. I ask you to vote in favor of these new rules.

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Our children are our future, and we must invest in them. As a college professor, now retired, I know how strong the influence of television on my students has been. To a large extent that influence is unfortunate. This change in the rules is the least we can do; I would like to see us do much more.

Sincerely,

Bruce Hawkins
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Northampton, Mass 01060

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From: Martha S. Garton, Extension Agent <MGARTON@WVNVAXA.WVNET.EDU>
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Subject: Vote Yes on New Rules

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Commissioner Chong:

I am the mother of two small children - a five year old and a seven year old. I care about what my children watch on tv and am frustrated by trying to find good programs for them to watch.

Please vote for the stricter regulations and minimum of 3-5 hours of educational shows for kids. This is such a small amount.

My kids love the educational programs on PBS! Why can't the networks offer some of the same kinds of exciting things? TV has such a powerful impact on our children - even when we try hard to lessen that impact. It is imperative that responsible adults do everything in their control to make that impact positive.

Just yesterday, my seven year old and I were walking through a field. There along the path was an old sock someone had discarded. He said, "Look Mom, the bloody sock," in reference to proceedings in the O.J. Simpson trial which I have tried hard to keep them from watching.

Please think about the amazing minds of children and the wonderful opportunity television has to present them with vast stores of knowledge and ideas. Vote for strengthening the regulation. We should never ignore the needs of children just to increase profit.

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