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From: <Hilary724@aol.com>  
To: A7.A7 (RBCHONG)  
Date: 9/18/95 1:21pm  
Subject: Children's Television Act

Dear Ms. Chong:

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Please support the "quantitative guideline" which enforces the Children's Television Act. This legislation is essential for persuading private enterprise to take a more responsible role in society and will assist in converting television from the wasteland that it is to a useful and intelligent tool for greater learning and understanding of our society and the people around us.

Thank you very much for your kind consideration.

Sincerely,

Hilary Bendon  
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Subject: CHILDREN'S TELEVISION ACT

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OFFICE OF CONSUMER PROTECTION

Please support the Quantative Guidline. Children are the future and need some \*real\* educational programs to watch. Their spongy little noggins soak up anything and everything, so why not fill their heads with some- thing useful, something educational instead of the garbage which they can already view any other time of the day? PLEASE SUPPORT THE QG.

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From: Fitzpatrick, Jacki <FitzpatrJF@MASPO1.MAS.YALE.EDU>  
To: 'Children Now' <children@dnai.com>  
Date: 9/18/95 2:42pm  
Subject: Children's Television Act

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Please support the "quantitative guideline" to enforce the  
Children's Television Act.  
Please do NOT allow such trash as Beverly Hills 90210 to be  
considered as "educational." What a lot of rubbish that is!

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From: Linda Rust <74222.3063@compuserve.com>  
To: Rachel Chong <rchong@fcc.gov>  
Date: 9/18/95 3:01pm  
Subject: The Children's Television Act

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OFFICE OF SECRETARY

Dear Ms. Chong,

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Please support the quantitative guideline to enforce the Children's Television Act. As the mother of an 8 year old, I am painfully aware of how limited the selection of educational viewing continues to be. So many of the programs for children are pulp. In this information age our children need more examples of learning through many media source. We need more examples of learning as fun. Television is particularly important in education because it is such a big force in the entertainment of most household.

Please support the quantitative guideline to enforce the Children's Television Act.

Sincerely,

Linda Rust  
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Minneapolis, MN 55414

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From: Gina Perez-Baron <gina@GENE.COM>  
To: A7.A7(RBCHONG), FCCMAIL.SMTP("children@dnai.com")  
Date: 9/18/95 3:43pm  
Subject: ENFORCE THE CHILDREN'S TELEVISION ACT

I am writing you to urge you to vote in FAVOR of the quantitative guideline to enforce the Children's Television Act.

Empirical data has shown us that, left to their own judgements, broadcasters are willing to submit shows such as "The Jetsons," "G.I. Joe" and "The Flintstone's" as educational programming. With more and more television being watched by children every day, it is imperative that the necessary steps are taken to provide our future with quality programming.

You serve the citizens, not the broadcasters. Please show your commitment to your constituency and your post by voting in the best interests of the children.

Thank you for your efforts.

Gina Perez-Baron  
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San Francisco, CA 94110

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To: A7.A7(RBCHONG)  
Date: 9/18/95 3:47pm  
Subject: Children's Television Act

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DIVISION OF TELECOM

Dear Ms. Chong,

I am very concerned about the state of television for children these days.

The supposedly "educational" programming available to my children too often consists of sitcom reruns and cartoons! Such programming makes a travesty of the Children's Television Act, and is an insult to taxpayers and citizens.

I am writing to you to ask that you support the "quantitative guideline" to enforce the Children's Television Act when you vote on October 15.

Thank you very much for your time and attention!

Val Scott  
6114 LaSalle Ave., #411  
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From: <Mamelah@aol.com>  
To: A7.A7(RBCHONG)  
Date: 9/18/95 7:43pm  
Subject: Childrens Television Act

Commissioner Chong-It is your direct responsibility to provide this nation's children with mandated educational programming, at least 3-5 hours weekly, by every television network across the U.S. You will agree that by submitting The Jetsons, The Flintstones, Beverly Hills 90210, etc. as "educational programming", the t.v. networks are taking part in the DUMBING DOWN of american children. You can not afford to be a part of this unhealthy situation. Vote YES on mandatory educational t.v. programming.

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To: A7.A7(RBCHONG)  
Date: 9/18/95 11:11am  
Subject: Children's Television Act

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Dear Ms. Chong:

I am writing to encourage you to support the \*quantitative guideline\* to enforce the Children's Television Act.

The youth of this country need your vote.

Sincerely,

Suzanne M. Swiderski

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To: A7.A7(RBCHONG)  
Date: 9/21/95 1:51pm  
Subject: Children's TV

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Recent e-mail suggested a letter campaign to you supporting that TV be require to carry a certain number of hours of children's program per week.

I, personally, am absolutely opposed to this and believe that a free market should reign. I think the idea of controlling what is available, therefore dtermining or controlling the preference of other people in an unnatural way is wrong.

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From: <SEALYCAT@aol.com>  
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Date: 9/11/95 1:04pm  
Subject: children's tv act

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September 11, 1995

Ms. Rachel Chong  
FCC Commissioner  
Washington, D.C.

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Dear Ms. Chong:

As a parent I am deeply concerned with the kind of programming my child sees.

As an American, I am deeply concerned with the kind of programming all of our children see.

It took long years of hard work on the part of Peggy Charren and others to get the 1990 Children's Television Act passed. Unfortunately, it has done little to spur broadcasters to pay substantial attention to the needs of young viewers.

For that reason, I am hoping that you will support new ways to enforce the spirit of the act through quantitative guidelines for the broadcast industry.

Three hours a week of significant educational programming should be the minimum expectation we all have of a broadcaster who is using and profiting from the use of public airwaves..

I know that your opinions and decisions on this matter are crucial. I hope that my letter is a voice of encouragement to act in the very best interests of a non-voting, non-voiced population who need your help -- America's children.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Terri Payne Butler  
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Date: 9/9/95 11:52am  
Subject: Children's Television

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

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

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Dear Commissioner Chong:

As someone who cares a lot about the future of our children, I am writing to ask you to please vote for new rules to require television stations to provide a specific amount of educational programming for children each week.

I am very glad the Commission is considering these new rules to fully enforce the Children's Television Act. Please support a minimum of 3-5 hours a week of educational shows for kids.

It took parents groups over twenty years to pass the Children's Television Act, yet now, without these "quantitative" guidelines, we continue to be frustrated by the slow pace of compliance by broadcasters.

Broadcasters have at their disposal an invaluable resource for children. Yet the record shows that without stricter regulation, this positive potential for kids will remain unfulfilled. With your vote for substantive and meaningful implementation of the CTA, all our kids will benefit.

Sincerely,

Eric Ebersole  
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From: <WILLIAMS\_K@gc.maricopa.edu>  
To: A7.A7(RBCHONG)  
Date: 9/8/95 7:40pm  
Subject: Children's Television Act

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Please vote for new rules to require tv stations to provide a specific amount of educational programming for children each week. Please support a minimum of 3-5 hours a week of educational shows for kids. Sincerely,

Karen L. Williams  
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From: <DSullivan@oznet.ksu.edu>  
To: A7.A7(RBCHONG)  
Date: 9/8/95 3:13pm  
Subject: Children's Television Act

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Commissioner Rachelle Chong  
Federal Communications Commission  
1919 M Street, NW  
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Dear Commissioner Chong:

As a mother of two young children and advocate for and educator of families, I am writing to ask you to please vote for new rules to require television stations to provide a specific amount of educational programming for children each week.

I am glad that the commission is considering these new rules to fully enforce the Children's Television Act. Please support a minimum of 3 to 5 hours a week of educational programs for children.

Quite frankly, I don't let my children watch a lot of television because I am not satisfied with the available programming. When we do watch "children's shows" I like to watch with them or be close enough to monitor their reactions. We would certainly watch more educational programming if it were available.

With your vote for specific and meaningful implementation of the CTA, all our kids will benefit. THANK YOU!

Sincerely,

Denise Sullivan  
County Extension Home Economist  
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From: Ted Jenkins, Camping Coordinator  
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To: Commissioner Rachele Chong <rchong@fcc.gov>  
Date: 9/8/95 1:03pm  
Subject: Children's Television Act

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Georgia 4-H Camping  
350 Rock Eagle Road,  
Eatonton, GA

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

Dear Commissioner Chong:

Have you taken time from your usual schedule to watch TV from 3:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m.? If not, you should! Several hours are NOT suitable for MY children and, I suggest, yours either.

Without "quantitative" guidelines, broadcasters will not change even though they easily could.

Your vote for implementation of the CTA will benefit millions of people!

Sincerely,  
Ted Jenkins  
Extension 4-H  
Camping

Specialist  
Coordinator

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To: A7.A7(RBCHONG)  
Date: 9/7/95 7:22am  
Subject: Children's Television

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Commissioner Rachelle Chong  
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Dear Commissioner Chong:

As someone who works daily with children, I am writing to ask you to please vote for new rules to require television stations to provide a specific amount of educational programming for children each week. Children are naturally inquisitive and interested in programming that is intellectually stimulating and entertaining.

Unfortunately, most broadcasters have failed to provide this programming. They have at their disposal an invaluable resource for children. Yet the record shows that without stricter regulation, this positive potential for kids will remain unfulfilled. With your vote for substantive and meaningful implementation of the CTA, all our kids will benefit.

I am very glad the Commission is considering these new rules to fully enforce the Children's Television Act. Please support a minimum of 3-5 hours a week of educational shows for kids.

It took parents groups over twenty years to pass the Children's Television Act, yet now, without these "quantitative" guidelines, we continue to be frustrated by the slow pace of compliance by broadcasters.

Sincerely,

Thomas Beeson

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From: Joel Rubinstein <jrubinstein@igc.apc.org>  
To: Commissioner Rachelle Chong <rchong@fcc.gov>  
Date: 9/6/95 7:41pm  
Subject: Children's Television Act enforcement

Joel Rubinstein  
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Dear Commissioner Chong:

In 1990 Congress passed the Children's Television Act. One of the provisions of this legislation was that television broadcasters would be obliged to air children's educational programming as a condition of the license.

I respectfully urge you to vote for new rules to require television stations to provide a specific amount of educational programming for children each week -- at least 3-5 hours per week.

Without such binding language, I believe that the broadcasters will never follow the spirit of the Children's Television Act. Instead, they will claim that "Saturday morning cartoons" are educational.

Please let me know your views on this subject.

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To: A7.A7 (RBCHONG)  
Date: 9/6/95 12:34pm  
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mailto:is\_rchong@fcc.gov

Message is Dear Commissioner Chong:

I am very concerned about the effects of television on American children. We have seen test scores fall and tolerance to violence rise.

Unfortunately, we probably can't prevent children from watching television, so any programming that we can add that will be helpful rather than hurtful is something we must encourage.

Please support the Children's Television Act. 3-5 hours a week of educational shows is hardly enough, but it is a good start.

Sincerely,

Jeremy David Stolen  
40 Clark St, #1  
Boston MA 02109

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From: <NITA95@aol.com>  
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Date: 9/13/95 1:51am  
Subject: CHILDREN'S TELEVISION VIEWING

Dear Commissioner Chong: DOCKET FILE COPY ORIGINAL

I care about the future of children, and this letter is to ask you to vote for the new rules to require television stations to provide a specific amount of educational programming for children each week.

It is encouraging that the Commission is considering these new rules to fully enforce the Children's Television Act. Please support a minimum of 3-5 hours a week of educational shows for children's TV viewing.

The compliance of broadcasters, with respect to the Children's Television Act, continues to progress at a slow rate. Therefore, these guidelines are essential to establish a compliance baseline for them.

The record shows that without stricter regulation broadcasters will not live up to their potential to provide invaluable resources for this nation's children. As a school psychologist, a mother and grandmother, I am keenly aware of the potential for educational enrichment that television can provide and that children need. The nation's children will benefit from the meaningful implementation of the CTA, and your vote will help bring this about.

Sincerely,  
Alnita Rettig Dunn

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To: A7.A7(RBCHONG)  
Date: 10/5/95 9:14am  
Subject: Children's Television Act

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Dear Ms. Chong: I urge you to fully support the quantitative guidelines to enforce the Children's Television Act. As I do health care with children and know the amount of T.V. they watch it is distressing to see how little, if any educational viewing they get. think of the children's and the nations future when you cast your vote. Thank you.  
Sr. Sharon McGuire <smcguire@mail.utep.edu>

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From: Dwight McCain <b7110601@idptv.idbsu.edu>  
To: A7.A7(RBCHONG), FCCMAIL.SMTP("children@dnai.com")  
Date: 9/30/95 12:31am  
Subject: In support for Educational T.V. Programing for Kid

Dear Commissioner Chong: DOCKET FILE COPY ORIGINAL

I am an Elementary School Counselor and in my daily experience I can tell how much T.V. influences our children, especially the younger ones. They kick and fight with each other they see it done on T.V. and no one negotiates or communicates to solve a problem. It is no wonder that our nation is becoming more violent.

It is my understanding that you will be voting soon to decide on how much educational programing should be required on commercial T.V. stations. I would request that you vote in support of stations providing 3-5 hours of educational programs per week, and not using tasteless and violent cartoons to meet this criteria.

I thank you for the opportunity to express my concerns. Our children are the future of America, if we shortchange them we shortchange ourselves.

Sincerely,

Dwight McCain  
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From: Carolynn Hillman <hillman@nile.intac.com>  
To: A7.A7(RBCHONG)  
Date: 9/27/95 8:41am  
Subject: Childrens TV

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Please support the Quantitative Guidelines to enforce the Childrens' TV Act. As a mother, I know only too well how little educational programming there is on TV and how sorely more is needed. Please help save our children's minds.

Carolynn Hillman hillman@intac.com

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To: A7.A7(RBCHONG)  
Date: 9/27/95 4:34am  
Subject: enforce the Children's TV Act

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Dear Ms. Chong:

I'm writing to ask you to support the quantitative guideline to enforce the Children's Television Act. As a college English teacher, I know what an impact television has on children and young people. It is for many a central cultural context: they understand the world through the tv shows they watch, and those shows are entirely on commercial tv. It's important, then, that commercial tv stations offer a broader range of material for children than the kinds of cartoons and product-based shows that please their advertisers. TV stations won't do this on their own, but the FCC can make sure they do. The airwaves are a public resource, and should be used to benefit children, before they benefit advertisers.

I look forward to hearing that you've voted for the qualitative guideline.

Sincerely,  
Ellen Garvey  
202 St. Marks Avenue  
Brooklyn, NY 11238

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From: <Thompsonb@aol.com>  
To: A7.A7(RBCHONG)  
Date: 9/25/95 8:47pm  
Subject: ENFORCE THE CHILDREN'S TELEVISION ACT

Dear Ms. Rachel Chong, **DOCKET FILE COPY ORIGINAL**

As a parent, grandmother, and former school board member, I have become increasingly disappointed by the lack of decent children's educational programing on TV. It seems like there were more educational programs on commercial TV when my children were growing up in the 60s and 70s. The changes in requirements for children's programing made by the FCC in the 80s has contributed to the decline of quality in those programs. The increase in violent and more sexually explicit programing since then has had a negative impact on the current generation and on the level of sexual promiscuity and violence in our society. It is time to realize that television can be a positive and valuable asset in educating children. I urge you to support the "quantitative guideline" to enforce the Children's Television Act and to work for an improvement in "genuine" children's educational programming on TV.

As I travel in other countries, I am equally disturbed by the poor quality (excessive violence and sex) of the television programs that we (USA) export to other countries of the world. I am ashamed of the image of the US that those programs give to others. I am angry that we (USA) are exporting programs that encourage a resort to violence. We are reaping what we sow.

Sincerely, Dana Thompson  
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From: margaret doyle <mad4612@is.nyu.edu>  
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Subject: Children's Television Act

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Please support the quantitative guideline to enforce the Children's Television Act. As a former producer of quality, award-winning programming for children, I know such programming will not get on the air without the FCC's support.

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