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From: Jason Douglas <jdouglas@harbor.mitre.org>
To: A16.A16(kidstv)
Date: 10/23/95 9:17am
Subject: go for it!

Dear Sir(s),

My wife and I would like to express our unqualified support for any measure or policy that would make children's television less violent and more educational. We strongly believe that current programming, with very few exceptions, is harmful to children and is not in the public interest.

We would be happy to expand on these views if appropriate.

Sincerely,

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From: <tully@ind.net>
To: A4.A4(jbrinn)
Date: 10/22/95 9:22am
Subject: Chairman's Column Comments

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Edward J. Tully (tully@ind.net) writes:

I agree with your comments. However, I think the challenge should go further. Our colleges and universities of education do not teach their students how to use this technology in the classroom. The biggest problem we have with schools is teaching the teacher how to use a computer, and then how to use the internet. If they were taught in the university setting I think we would see a big difference in school networking. As the director of Indiana's Higher Education Telecommunications System which provides voice, data and video to all public and private institutions in Indiana I have first hand experience.

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From: MR DAVID R JOHNS <GJHR95A@prodigy.com>
To: A16.A16(KIDSTV)
Date: 10/21/95 10:38am
Subject: KID'S TV

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I understand a government agency really wants to know what the PEOPLE actually think. THANKGOODNESS...Thank you, thank you.

I have been a teacher for over 14 years and can daily observe the impact that television has upon the minds and actions of our nation's children and teenagers...and believe me, it's not a pretty picture!!!! Children learn mostly through WATCHING and IMITATING those around them, no matter whether those around them are real or fictional. I see children, both boys and girls, repeating that which they have seen on TV. Not only their actions but more importantly the "attitudes" which characters on the TV shows portray. Granted, I too believe that the parents are responsible for what their children watch; HOWEVER, most parents are unaware of how children learn and are too busy to care. When this happens, people who have the valuable knowledge must interceed. Please, FCC, mandate to the broadcasters the responsibility they have to help our youth. They can do what parents will not. Personally, three hours of children's programming per week isn't enough, but it's an improvement. I ask you to promote five hours per week and to also have some CONSTRUCTIVE GUIDELINES for the broadcasters to follow; they too need to be educated on what children need, not want. Thank you for this opportunity. I beg you not to give in to the pressures of the lobbist and broadcasters. Money is not everything!!

Sincerely, Debra S. Johns, Rockford, Mi.-

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