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Federal Communications Commission
1919 M Street NW
Washington DC 20554-0001

Reference: Question of Replacing Current Analog Televisions with the New Proposed Digital Units

Attention: Mr. Reed E. Hundt, Chairman

Dear Mr. Hundt:

I recently read through news releases the proposal for referenced change. Whereas I do not wish to discourage improvement in electronic technology, nor in the improvement of mass communication, I am concerned that the changes as the news articles indicate seem to be beyond the reach of ordinary working class people, therefore, cannot possibly be financially successful.

If a device could be conceived to give the viewing public an option of continuing to use their analog sets by some sort of switching device so that they may have the option of either retaining their analog set or replacing them with digital sets, then I could believe the program would be successful over time. However, the article says that the practical size for the digital set would be 35" or larger, it would not add to the popularity of television. Small sets, especially in households in rooms such as kitchens, are most desirable. I would believe that there would be very few customers who could accommodate a 35" set in their homes.

I believe serious consideration should be given by the government prior to making a broadcast decision which might not be to the benefit of public viewers. Whatever you can do to warrant such guarantee would be most appreciated by me and many more.

Sincerely,

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Sir:

Please consider the cost of High Definition TV. To individuals who would have their present T.V.'s rendered useless. The "Box" is not the total solution -

The industry that stands to gain should develop a solution, with their own funds, for the problems with transmitting Digital (HDTV), not just a box beside the T.V. set.

Thank you for your time. Someone on a limited income -

Miss A. R. Mills

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