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Re: IB Docket No. 95-59

Dear Mr. Caton:

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Enclosed for filing are an original plus eleven copies of a corrected first page of the Opposition of GE American Communications, Inc.

The original pleading which was filed on May 21, 1996, inadvertently listed the incorrect International Bureau docket number (IB Docket No. 95-41) in the caption. The attached first page shows the correct docket number, IB Docket No. 95-59.

Please use the attached page to replace the first page of the original pleading and make any other necessary corrections to your records. Direct any questions regarding this submission to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,



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In the Matter of)
)
Preemption of Local Zoning Regulation) IB Docket No. 95-59
of Satellite Earth Stations) DA 91-577
) 45-DSS-MISC-93

OPPOSITION OF GE AMERICAN COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

GE American Communications, Inc. ("GE Americom"), by its attorneys and pursuant to Section 1.429 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.429, hereby opposes certain petitions for reconsideration of the Commission's Order in the above-captioned proceeding, FCC 96-78 (released March 11, 1996) (hereinafter, "Order").¹

In the Order, the Commission revised Section 25.104 of its Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 25.104, to strengthen the preemption of local government regulation of satellite antennas. Petitioners argue that the Commission exceeded its authority and ignored legitimate local interests in adopting the modified rule. The Commission, however, properly considered and rejected challenges to the legality and wisdom of new Section 25.104. Petitioners' objections to the rule lack merit and should be rejected.

¹ Specifically, GE Americom opposes the reconsideration petitions filed by the National League of Cities, et al. ("National League"); the City of Dallas, Texas, et al. ("Dallas"); the County of Boulder, Colorado ("Boulder County"); and the Florida League of Cities ("Florida League") (collectively referred to herein as "Petitioners").