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The Honorable Richard L. Sippel
Administrative Law Judge
2000 L Street, N.W., Suite 220
Washington, D.C. 20554

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Re: *In the Matter of Liberty Cable Company, WT Docket No 96-41*

Dear Judge Sippel:

We write to raise a scheduling matter that we believe can expedite the hearing significantly. Because the parties have agreed to the admissibility of the exhibits listed on their respective exhibit lists, subject only to demonstration of relevance, the admission matters to be handled on Friday January 10, 1997, should be handled with great rapidity. Consequently, we propose that we begin the presentation of evidence on the 10th as well. When we proposed this idea to Mr. Beckner, he indicated that his position would depend upon the availability of Time Warner's representative to be in attendance on the 10th. Mr. Beckner said yesterday that Time Warner's representative would not be available on the 10th. Despite that, we would suggest that it is not wise for the Court's schedule to hinge upon the availability of one of Time Warner's many possible observers, particularly, in view of the fact that the attorneys for all parties will be present on the 10th in any event. In view of the many scheduling factors involved, we would respectfully propose that the schedule be amended to permit the presentation of evidence, commencing with the direct testimony of Howard Milstein on Friday, January 10, as soon as ministerial matters pertaining to marking exhibits have been resolved.

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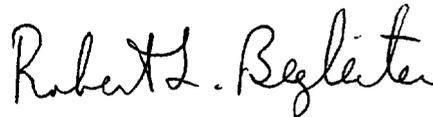
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Mr. Webber has indicated that the bureau would be ready to commence with the presentation of evidence on the 10th. Chris Holt for Cablevision has indicated that his client opposes our request.

Thank you.

Respectfully submitted ,



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