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Date : Apr 23, 1997 23:51 GMT  
To : 12024182821  
From : interact@interactivism.com  
Subject: Campaign Finance Reform

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On Wed Apr 23 19:57:02 EDT 1997 you received the following message:

Commissioner Susan Ness  
Federal Communications Commission  
1919 M Street NW  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Commissioner Ness,

I am writing to ask you to put the welfare of American democracy ahead of corporate welfare that seems to do so well in Washington.

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Signed: Paul Tifford  
E-Mail: action@cibola.net

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Commissioner Susan Nees  
Federal Communications Commission  
1919 M Street NW  
Washington, D.C.

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Signed: Clinton R. Gardner  
E-Mail: gardnec1@men.com

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Signed: Chris Fendle  
E-Mail: oldbluc@netrix.net

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Signed: Dianne Seaborg  
E-Mail: hermit@sj.bigger.net

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Signed: Laura Redish  
E-Mail: lcn@gsl51.ep.cs.cmu.edu

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Signed: David Fenton  
E-Mail: david@fenton.com

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Signed: Michael Fripp  
E-Mail: fripp@mit.edu

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I actually disagree with this campaign and DO NOT support this project at all.

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Signed: Seth Fehrs  
E-Mail: fehrr002@mc.duke.edu

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Signed: R. Myers  
E-Mail: Rmyers01@crols.com

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