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Date : Dec 22, 1997 0:24 GMT
To : 12024182821
From : interact@interactivism.com
Subject: Campaign Finance Reform

On Sun Dec 21 19:21:31 EST 1997 you received the following message:

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

Dear Commissioner Ness,

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The value of this time bank could be kept at about - million, about what politicians spent in the 1995-1996 election cycle. That's about one half of one percent of the gross ad revenues the broadcast industry took induring that period. A small price to pay for improving democracy and helping restore the public's faith and interest in the political process.

Signed: Kirk Davenport
E-Mail: mach32@qnet.com

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Signed: Doris Harrison
E-Mail: GMSANTAB@aol.com

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Signed: jerry flieger
E-Mail: jflieger@aol.com