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From: "jwpnep" <jwpnep@oneimage.com>
To: A4.A4 (FCCINFO)
Date: 7/20/98 1:09pm
Subject: satillite tv

we now have dish network programing. We have been told that we may no longer be able to get the east weat coast networks because of you. They said we can get the local networks, according to you. Well, we can not get them. I f we get one that is blurry, then we can not get the others. We do not want the cable tv, T CI, that is out here because it is too expensive and it offers too little for the price. Please think of the people you are surving instead of the rich cable networks. We need to have more to choose from. The adverage person is being price gouged too death as it is. Thank you for your time. nancy pelling

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From: Julie L. McNutt <okhljam@okh10.med.navy.mil>
To: A4.A4 (FCCINFO)
Date: 7/20/98 11:30am
Subject: Changes in Satellite Stations

To Whom It May Concern:

My satellite company, DISH Network, just changed my one and only local station, based out of Seattle, Washington. I cannot receive local stations clearly with my TV antenna and the cost of buying an antenna that would give me clear reception would cost more than several DISH systems put together, which means I'm not going to go that route.

When I called DISH to find out why they made this unexpected change, they said that this was an FCC requirement. They had to have ALL west coast stations out of one place. In this case, California. The person I talked with said he had found out about this change on Wednesday 15. My husband and I had been away during the weekend and didn't find out about the change until he tried to find the local news this morning (part of his regular morning routine).

Now, I thought the FCC didn't want satellite companies to usurp local advertising. If this is the case, wouldn't having the stations spread out through different local locations vice only one location be a better idea? Now I receive no local advertising at all. Also, no local weather, news, and other local info that we would dearly like to receive.

I feel it would be in the best interest for the people who use satellite systems to be about to get a range of stations, not be forced to only one state's stations. The only people who are getting benefits out of this change are the advertisers in California who can now reach a broader market.

I would appreciate your response to this issue. I can be emailed at nuthouse@whidbey.net.

Sincerely,

Julie L. McNutt

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From: "Dean Owren" <dinolo@myhome.net>
To: A4.A4 (PSD)
Date: 7/20/98 11:23am
Subject: Dish Network

I wish to complain about a recent change in the programming of the Dish Network. I have been getting KOMO 4 News which is the only local news station I have been able to receive. Now as of last night, that has been changed to an L.A. station. I called the Dish Network and they informed me that the FCC made that change and that they could do nothing about it. What is going on? I would like to be able to get Northwest news, not California. I am unable to get any reception from an antenna so now I am stuck with California news.

I would appreciate any help regarding this matter.

Thankyou,

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