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From: Gayle D. Cichocki <gdmaddog@mci2000.com>
To: A4.A4 (SSEGAL)
Date: 8/10/98 12:53am
Subject: Comments to the Chairman

Gayle D. Cichocki (gdmaddog@mci2000.com) writes:

Dear Chairman Kennard,
I am a digital satellite dish owner that is very concerned with the prospect of losing my network feeds due to a recent decision by a Federal Court Judge in Miami FL. I live in southern California and do not get any "over the air" network feeds due to the geographical region. I live in a valley and the mountains around my house block my reception. I am asking that the FCC re-define the "Acceptable" signal strength standards to reflect what consumers today expect to get with their televisions. I want nothing less than a perfect signal and stereo sound. All my local stations broadcast high quality pictures and stereo sound, but since my residence is located at the foot of some large mountains, I can not get these signals. I do receive network feeds from my Dish Net system. I like these feeds, and I strongly desire to keep them. If your agency could expedite re-defining acceptable signals it could help me to keep my network feeds, and benefit millions of satellite customers like myself.

Thanks in advance,
Gayle D. Cichocki

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From: Jeff Wright <jeffwright@webtv.net>
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Jeff Wright (jeffwright@webtv.net) writes:

Mr. Kennard,

I recently began working with some people in this country from India. They, like many, are interested in the foreign language programming (specifically ZeeTV) available by one company Echostar. These people are also interested in seeing some American channels utilizing the same small DISH they use to receive ZeeTV. I sent a letter to Echostar requesting them to consider adding some basic, general interest channels to their satellite at 61.50. The response I got back said that they would consider this once a permanent license for additional frequencies at that location was granted. Until then a number of viewers are going to be disappointed.

I respectfully request that the F.C.C. consider granting Echostar a permanent license to operate on the surplus DBS frequencies at 61.50. This license would give Echostar the ability to better serve a growing number of customers, providing more competition throughout the Nation.

Sincerely,
Jeff Wright

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