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Please support an amendment to The SHVA to lift The SHVA restrictions on receiving network satellite television channels.

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I live up in Grand Marais, Minn. where the networks come in snowy, noisy, or not at all. I want to watch my favorite shows, too. We just paid \$300 for a DSS System so we could see THE NETS.

We should be able to get the service we want. Do we have any freedom left? We try to watch local T.V. at least to get our local news. But it's not good

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tion F not B & the F is
for fail not fair.

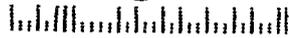
We hope we can con-
tinue to use our DSS
systems after Oct. 10 to see
the networks. Please
help.

Sincerely,
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TO: Mr. Roy J. Stewart, chief, mass media bureau, FCC

FROM: David A. Zarkin, 9901 Harrison Rd., Apt 110, Bloomington MN 55437

RE: Complaint against Omnivision, 1230 Eagan Industrial Rd., #110, Eagan MN 55121, 612-452 -8010

I am a customer of Omnivision, which provides cable TV services via microwave and DSS; and most local TV stations in the Twin Cities metro area via a rooftop antenna (mostly to apartment bldgs).

For the past 3 years I have requested that Omnivision provide local station Ch 41 (now PaxNet KPXM). The Omnivision phone representative said the request would be forwarded to management "who decides what local stations" they will provide to consumers.

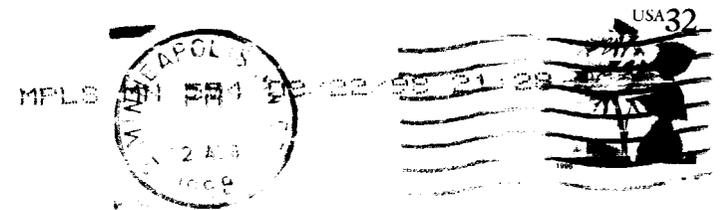
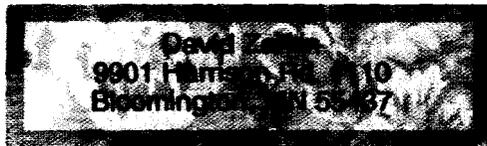
My understanding of the current rules is that multiple servers (providing regular cable, DSS and local stations) must provide ALL local stations. In other words they cannot pick & choose which local stations they will provide.

The Omnivision representative, who I spoke to this date, said the company would await word from the FCC before they add this station which is the network affiliate for Paxnet family entertainment. They are quibbling over adding another UHF element to the antenna mast to receive the signal.

Please do what you can. Thanks.

David A. Zarkin

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From: "Holst, Richard G (Dick), GOVMKGVSPC" <dholst@att.com>
To: B4.B4 (COMPLAINTS-ENF)
Date: 8/25/98 7:50am
Subject: DSS and Major league Baseball

Dear Sirs,

What process and or forms do I need to fill out in order to file a complaint against the operators of DSS (Digital Satellite Service) and Major League Baseball.

For the past 40 some years I have watched the New York Yankee games on regular VHF Television and for the past year I have had the pleasure of watch a high quality image on my DSS. This year the folks at Major league baseball have. decided that I am no longer within the local viewing area on the Yankees. My MSG Network coverage of the Yankees game has been terminated. I live 65 Airline miles south of New York city on the Jersey shore in the small town of Barnegat, NJ my zip code is 08005.

I spent months trying to get to find out who really decided that I should not be able to watch the Yankee games, I was told by the folks at Major League baseball that they decided which zip codes were and were not within the New York viewing area. How can this be??? They have a vested interest in turning off as many MSG viewers as possible in order to sell more subscriptions to the DSS major league baseball package?????

In addition, My neighbors subscribe to the local cable TV service (Adelphia Cable) and they still receive each and every Yankee broadcast via MSG Network

Please advise me as to who the proper authorities are within the FCC, I would like to file a complaint against the Major League Baseball organization and DSS for unfair marketing and broadcasting practices.

Respectfully,

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From: Darrell Boldt <drb22760@haaga.com>
To: A7.A7 (MPOWELL, SNESS, WKENNARD), J1.J1 (RKEENEY), FCCMA...
Date: 8/25/98 12:17pm
Subject: Local channels must carry rule

Dear FCC Chairman and Commissioners,

I'm concern about this must carry rule for DBS providers, You and I know how technology is. At this time its not possible for must carry rule to be carried out at this time but it will be able to happen in the near future. Remember before you where unable to go smaller then a 3 foot dish on KU-band 8 foot on C-band. Now look c-band in many area can go 5.5 foot and now with DBS 18 inch dish. This is technology change. Lets give more of chance to get of the ground. Check back in five years see how technology is. As compression improves to be tighter together it will happen just as DBS has.

I'm excited to have the main network locals here in Salt Lake City, Utah and would hate to loose them because of the must carry rule for DBS satellite companies. Please lets help Dish Network so the people can have a choose between satellite or cable for locals.

Next must carry by cable companies here in Murray, Utah These are the channels TCI carries and afterwards I'll the ones that are on there system I won't to know why not.

Channels 2 KUTV, 4 KTVX, 5 KSL, 7 KUED, 9 KULC, 11 KBYU, 13 KSTU, 14 KJZZ, and 30 KUWB. Now channel 16 KUPX will be on Aug. 31, 1998 this new stations.

These channels have been around for years. why are these not on TCI system we the people don't get the must carry rules these aren't there.

26 KUCL, 36 K36CJ, 38 K38CN, 48 Telmundo Station, 58 KUBX, 66 K66FN

Looking forward to your response.
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From: <rose@access.mountain.net>
To: J1.J1 (RKEENEY)
Date: 8/24/98 8:26pm
Subject: Local TV Stations and local cable company problems

I am writing to voice my displeasure with the current laws regarding the rights and priveleges of the local TV stations and the local cable companies.

One of our local stations, WDTV broadcasts only in mono, yet they force the local cable company to blackout higher quality stereo signals from a CBS station in Pittsburg. I don't think that it is right to force this decision on the consumers.

I have considered using one of the satelite services, since the programing on our local cable company leaves something to be desired. They say the number of channels is limited by our remote location. (Whitehall is remote?) When we vacation we have a multitude of channels to chose from. I am being told that due to other laws that these satelite providers cannot furnish local programing, even though the technology appears to be available. This appears to protect the local cable company.

I thought that the cable companies were deregulated, but it appears that the only thing that has happened is that the prices have increased and the choice of programing has not deversified. I do not have a choice of cable companies, so I cannot change, my only other alternative is a satelite provider (Dish or Primestar).

I fell that the laws pertaining to both instances above are restricting my rights and giving local channels and cable companies the right to charge more and furnish below normal service for an unusually high price. (Our basic TV service on cable is over \$35 dollar per month, with out HBO, and the special tier services that they offer).

I thank you for any help that you can offer.

Tom Rose
Whitehall, WV 26554

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