Edward & Priscilla Rial
1504 Braun Hollow Rd
Corning, NY 14830-9310
March 9, 2016

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FCC
c/o RFD-TV
49 Music Sq. West
Nashville, TN 37203

Note: Proceeding # 16-41

Dear FCC:

We watch RFD-TV on Direct TV. We have been with Direct TV for many years and have changed our selection packages ea year. However, we always ask and are sure to have a package with RFD-TV.

Our reasons for this is that we are farmers and watch many programs that give us information regarding our beef business. We also enjoy the various entertainment programs. They are very encouraging and uplifting. The music shows to us are top notch.

Over the years we have seen the programs on our local stations as well as

thru package TV's provided, they have gotten worse & worse & don't encourage us & are far out.
We are sure glad we are not raising a family now with how the entertainment industry has changed so much.
We have the option and do turn off programs that we prefer not to watch. However, it is enlightening to turn on RFD and see such top notch programs. The weather programs given are right on!

We appreciate your consideration of keeping RFD on.

Sincerely
Ed and Priscilla Lial

P.S. Our computer is being updated so we had to hand write our letter.

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DEAR FCC PROCEEDING # 16-41

I WATCH RFD ON CHARTER CHANNEL 145. OUT OF THE 200+ CHANNELS, I PROBABLY WATCH RFD 50% OF THE TIME. THEY HAVE GOOD PROGRAMS THAT INTREST PEOPLE IN RURAL AMERICA. I FEEL IT IS WRONG FOR CABLE COMPANYS TO TAKE THIS AWAY FROM PEOPLE. I WOULD NOT HAVE CABLE IF CHARTER TOOK THIS CHANNEL AWAY. I HOPE YOU CAN REACH AN AGREEMENT TO PROTECT THESE CHANNELS.

THANK YOU

KEVIN GRANT
4238 OLD Hwy 48
SOUTHSIDE TN 37171

February 23,2016
FCC
c/o RFD-TV
49 Music Square West
Nashville, TN 37203

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Attention Patrick Gottsch; #16-41

We are writing regarding your concern to remove RFDTV from the air. We are senior citizens who enjoy RFDTV programing and watch it regularly. As retired farmers and who regularly watch your programming we do not wish to have this discontinued. We need programs for us and do not care for the newer programs . We watch this on Dish TV. We pay extra for this in a package Heartland in order to get this.

Elwyn & Lydia Hart Elwyn & Lydia Hart
3200 S. Belen St.
Deming, NM 88030
Email-- lydiahart99@gmail.com

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Rebecca Hansen

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2/22/2016

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Dear FCC,

I would like to take the time to share with you my feelings in regard to the 16-41, RFD-TV channel being dropped. I started watching this channel with my dish company, but had to move and then was forced to get Charter as a television programing. I was paying for the basic tier; I was not able to find the RFD_TV channel. I called to find out why I didn't have this channel. I was told I would have to upgrade to the Gold tier to get the RFD_TV. The gold tier was almost $40.00 more and include sport package, and encore, star, and other movie channels that I one could not afford nor do I watch. But my love for the RFD_TV channel, I had to have it, so I now go without other things so that I can watch this channel. For I started watching the RFD-TV with my parents, to whom I care deeply for, they raised me to enjoy many things, one be the love of the old country music, and country living. The music that this channel has is something everyone should be allowed to watch for it is a part of our history of music. I spoke with some of my friend about a show (Joey and Rory Show) and that it is on the RFD_TV, they told me that they did not get that channel. They all told me that they would love to watch it but they couldn't. To miss out a such a wonderful channel and the show it has is just WRONG and to have to pay higher bills just to get this channel when it was once on the basic list is again just WRONG.

We country folk what you to do what is RIGHT and keep our independent channel going, and stop these Cable and Satellite Company from raising the price for these channels when they we meet to be free.

Thank you for your time..

Warm regards,
Rebecca Hansen

Rebecca Hansen

3655 La Bonita Dr. SE
Deming, New Mexico
88030

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February 23, 2016

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To whomever Concerned,

In America where we are blessed with so much tecnology to be able to bring education and pleasure to so many people it is a real downing of America to shut-down the RFD T.V. Channel. The rural T.V. keeps all informed of what is happening in the agricultural life as well as where we get our food. We are informed of where the government stand on issues related to agriculture and our rights as a Voting Citizen of the United States we need to be aware of these things. All independent Channels need to keep the right to air programs as for our home we benifit from these channels - RFD - WEATHER and HUNTING.

Thank you for your time

Bruce + Arline Medlin

March 8, 2016

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To Whom It may concern:

We are avid watchers of RFD-TV. A good share of TV watching in our house is on the RFD-TV channel. We were farmers until retirement, but we still watch a lot of the farm shows, especially the tractor shows. We also watch a lot of the music shows. I think the biggest reason we watch this channel is because there is a good variety of shows. Also watch shows pertaining to young people, such the FFA programs, etc. We even watch the rodeo programs. As an independent channel they should be allowed to choose the programs they feel is important to rural and urban people. The urban people need to understand that it is the farmer who keeps all of us alive. That is where the products that keep us all alive, such as food, clothing etc. come from. Urban people also need to know how much money it takes to be able to farm.

As senior citizens we don't all have the opportunity to be able to go very far, maybe it's because we don't have the money or our health that we aren't able to go too far from home. Most of us do have TV and that gives us the opportunity to get some pleasure out of life .

All legislative people, all TV companies etc. we think should keep these independent channels on as is and not deleted completely or thrown into some other package deal.

Thank you for listening.

Gertrude Grebel
N 8927 Basswood Rd
Beaver Dam, WI 53916-8804

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Feb. 29, 2016

Verizon, Inc -

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R.F.D. is our favorite station. My husband and I are 86 + 87. We simply turn the Main T.V. stations off most of the time because they are nothing but T.V. Commercials - one after another up to 15 on a station break. The Story-News-program is lost in the mess.

Rural upper Midwest is where alot of your food is grown. Why bite the hand that feeds you?

"Money - Money Money - Do you ever get enough?? The Caliber of the shows are - Zero. "All make believe" "ghost stories", "war", "shooting" "explosions" - " Not worth wasting my time on.

Think again!

Sincerely
Ramona Hutlman

Ramona Hutlman
12264 Butte Creek Lr
Sturgis SD 57785

FCC -

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We are William and Clara Essig from 902 6th Street East in West Fargo, North Dakota. Our phone # is 701-282-6860. We have Midco cable services here.

We are senior citizens and from rural backgrounds. We really appreciate the programming on RFD-TV. The country, blue grass and polka music are what we thoroughly enjoy! We want this programming to continue and be available to us for years to come. Please keep this programming for rural and senior citizens a part of your programming, because it is so important to us.

We thank you for your consideration for us! - Sincerely,

Bill & Clara Essig

Mr. & Mrs. William Essig
902 6th Street East
West Fargo, ND 58078-2949

ATT FCC
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March 9- 2016

Patrick Gottsch
RFD TV
16-41

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Please do not take away RFD-TV
I and all of my family like
watching RFD-TV. We like
the Farm shows, all Musical
shows, horse shows etc. Many
people who I know like RFD-TV.
RFD-TV has programs for
all ages. Everyone in America
should have RFD-TV on
their TV.

I pray RFD-TV will not
be taken away from us, or anyone.

A Faithful Patriot Viewer of RFD-TV
Leota Hass
N2401 Silica Rd
Malone, Wi.
53049.

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Bobby New
1950 N. Country Rd.
Eustis, Fl 32726

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RFD - FCC

I am a FFA student in Central Florida - Showing a Steer at Fair next month - A real learning experience - RFD covers FFA - 4H and other subjects no other channel ever heard of. Without it Ag Community would be lost - no Ag reports on markets - new weeds not discussed - Trends in Ag are important to America's Farmers It also covers Country Music I could go on but to lose RFD we'd probably Turn Cable off

Sincerely
Bobby New

Barbara Bloxom

FCC #1641
Patrick Gottsch
49 Music Square West Suite 103
Nashville Tenn 37203

I am writing this letter to hope that we can keep RFD-TV and stations like it on the air. I have watched RFD-TV for several years and it is one of the most decent stations on the air today. Most all of the other stations have so much violence & sex they are not decent to watch so I just watch RFD-TV and know that I will see good programs.
I certainly enjoy all the music programs and wish the Cumberland Highlanders had a longer program.
Hope this helps to keep RFD-TV on the air for several more years.

Yours Truly
Barbara Bloxom
61 A Sloman Ln
Santa Fe N.M.
87507

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NATIONAL HOME GARDENING CLUB
LIFE MEMBER

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January 16, 2016
February
March 7, 2016

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Dear Verizon Exec.

Are you really going to scoop up a few (or a) bunch of dollars - enough to make it worth-while to hurt alot of good people??

RFD is a great channel. Alot of S. Dak. resident use and enjoy it. We are rural - (all the upper midwest) and we like it this way.

Commerial T.V. stations are more commercial than programs. She counted 15 commercial while I wait for the program, I was interested to come back and by then I don't care anymore.

Do you realize how much you owe to farmers? They work more 5 - 9p shifts than 9-5p. They keep our corn, soybean, veg. etc available.

Have you ever watched an evening of RFD programs? They are far superior to Commercial programming!

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March 7, 2016

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channel like R F D T.V.
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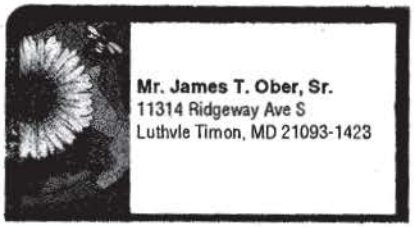
you can get this kind of entertainment on
any other channel.
So please keep R.F.D. as I spend quite a
bunch of my time watching R.F.D. T.V.
I watch TV on Directv

Sincerly
James T. Ober Sr.

Phone No. 410-561-1098
Directv
Lutherville Md. 21093



Dear FCC: Proceeding # 16-41

Bob and Ann Milligan
53 Church Road
Kings, Illinois 61068
772-579-9581 (cell phone)

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We enjoy the variety of RFD TV including: the markets, Gentle Giants, information abt. horses and cattle, gospel music, weather information, Rodeos etc. We pay extra for this station. We are farmers and cattle breeders. We watch this channel most of the day and depend on the information!

Sincerely, Ann M. Milligan
Robert J Milligan

MARCH 7, 2016

1641 PLEASE EXCUSE THE PAPER, MY PRINTING, MISTAKES, THOUGHTS ARE MINE.

LOWRY VERIZON

c/o PATRICK GOTTSCH
FCC RFD-TV
49 NASHVILLE SQ. W
NASHVILLE, TN 37203

THANK YOU FOR FOR SHOWING WHAT YOU HAVE RE: JODY I APPRECIATE IT ALL MAKES ME CRY BUT I LOVED HER. VIOLA

BILL & VIOLA BOWMAN
209 E. MAPLE
DUNCAN, OK. 73533
DIRECT-TV

580 560 1126
(CELL PHONE)
9:00AM-11:00P.M.
REALLY ANY TIME!

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AGAIN MR GOTTSCH - WELL, I GUESS MR LOWRY IS AT IT AGAIN I DO NOT UNDERSTAND WHAT HIS ISSUE OR IS IT A PROBLEM? IS? MAYBE IT IS THIS NEW THING CALLED A COMPUTER - WE DON'T HAVE A COMPUTER. WE DON'T WANT ONE. WE ARE (BOTH) SENIOR CITIZENS. YOU KNOW LATELY IT SEEMS THERE ARE SOME FOLKS THAT JUST DO NOT CARE WHAT WE WANT. OH, WE DO WATCH WESTERNS, NEWS OLD MOVIES (NO PORN CRAP) WE ARE 8[illegible] AND 77 YEARS OF AGE. WE FOUND RFD TV WHEN WE HAD TV CABLE SERVICE. WE CHANGED TO DIRECT TV BECAUSE IT WAS SOMEWHAT CHEAPER AND WE ASK THE MAN WOULD WE

BE GETTING RFD TV HE TOLD YES WE WOULD SO WE TOLD HIM HOOK US UP. WE FOUND SOME OLD SHOWS HEE HAW, COUNTRY REUNION, MARTY STUART, PORTER WAGGONEER (SPELLING?), CATTLE SALES, PRICES OF CORN, WHEAT, RICE, CATTLE OTHER ANIMALS, TEXAS COUNTRY REPORTER, LARRY'S COUNTRY DINER (WE ARE SO GLAD HE IS DOING BETTER AND HIS FRIEND ALSO), WEATHER (WE DO GET THE WEATHER FROM OUR LOCAL WEATHER PEOPLE, BUT IT SEEMS AS IF YOUR FOLKS GO INTO MORE DETAIL. AND THAT IS SO IMPORTANT TO US ALL), MOLLY'S SHOW (THE POLKA LADY), JIMMY SHUER, A MAN CALLED RENO (SORRY I CAN'T REMEMBER HIS NAME), THERE IS ANOTHER SHOW THE PLAYERS ARE ON OLD LOOKING OUTDOOR STAGE PLAYING BEFORE A LIVE AUDIENCE I CAN'T REMEMBER THE SHOW'S NAME, MIDWEST COUNTRY, RODEO EVENTS, OTHER SHOWS THAT LET US KNOW WHAT IS GOING ON WITH THE CROPS, ANIMALS, I CAN'T RECALL ALL OF THEM AS I AM ONLY A SENIOR CITIZEN, MR. LOWRY AND HIS HELPERS WILL BE ONE MAYBE HE IS ALREADY. MAYBE THEY DON'T WATCH TV. OH YEAH THERE ARE THOSE MOVIES ON WHAT ARE THEY CDS? WE HAVE A MACHINE THAT YOU/US CAN WATCH THOSE MOVIES ON (BILL WATCHES HIS MOVIES ON THE VCR) WE HAVE NOT HOOKED UP THE CD DVD PLAYER AS WE MIGHT MESS UP SOMETHING WE FOUND ALL OF THOSE SHOWS BUT THE ONE I REALLY LOVE TO WATCH WHEN I SAW IT IS JOEY AND RORY FEEKS SHOW. NOW THAT JOEY MARTIN FEEK HAS GONE TO A BETTER MORE BEAUTIFUL PLACE, WHO

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KNOWS WHAT RORY WILL DO. WE/I DO HOPE (IN TIME) THAT THE SHOW WILL CONTINUE (EVEN RERUNS IF HE PERMITS IT). HIS HEALING TIME WILL MOST LIKELY TAKE A WHILE. JOEY WAS A BEAUTIFUL, LOVING, CARING PERSON. SHE HAD A BEAUTIFUL SMILE, SHE JUST SMILED ALL OVER HERSELF THAT IS A STRANGE WAY OF HOW SHE WAS. LIKE A LOT OF FOLKS, WE DON'T KNOW THEM PERSONALLY, BUT THEY JUST SEEM TO BE THE KIND OF COUPLE THAT WOULD BE COMFORTABLE WHEREVER THEY WERE. MAYBE IT WAS BECAUSE OF HOW THEY WERE BROUGHT UP. WE WILL MISS HER! GOD BLESS RORY, INDIANA (I HOPE I GOT THAT BEAUTIFUL BABY GIRL'S NAME RIGHT), MARCY HEIDI, HER SISTER (WE ONLY SAW HER TWICE I THINK) THE BAND, THE MAN THAT TOLD THE STORIES, THE MAN THAT DID THE LITTLE DANCE AT THE END. WE DO HOPE TO BE ABLE TO SEE AND HEAR MORE OF RORY, INDIANA, HEIDI, HER SISTER AND MARCY AND THE BAND. WE LOVE THEM ALL. WHEN AND IF RORY SHOULD EVER WRITE A BOOK, I WOULD LIKE TO BE THE FIRST BUYER.

BACK TO MR LOWRY PLEASE SIR, I HAVE WRITE TO YOU BEFORE IF

YOU COULD FIND IT IN YOUR MIND, PLEASE KEEP RFD-TV ON - ON THURSDAYS EVENINGS, FRIDAY AFTERNOONS AND EVENINGS, SATURDAYS AND SUNDAYS WE WATCH RFD-TV. WE DO WATCH THE CHANNEL OTHER DAYS. WE WOULD ALSO HOPE THAT YOU COULD YOU WOULD/COULD FIND IT IN YOUR HEART I DO HOPE IT IS A KIND, LOVING, THOUGHTFUL ONE THAT YOU WILL KEEP RFD TV ON. SIR, THE FOLKS THAT RUN THE CHANNEL ARE KIND, LOVING FOLKS. WE ALL NEED THIS CHANNEL. THERE ARE OTHER SHOWS ON RFD-TV. IT IS A CLEAN, NO PORN, NASTY STUFF, STATION/CHANNEL. WE ARE ONLY 2 FOLKS OF A WHOLE LOT OF OTHERS, ESPECIALLY SENIORS THAT NEED THAT CHANNEL. WHY DOES IT HAVE TO BE CHANGED, CANCELED.? WHAT IS THE PROBLEM WHY DO WE HAVE TO WRITE, BEG, PLEAD WITH YOU TO KEEP THIS CHANNEL. DO YOU WATCH THE CHANNEL? MAYBE THE SHOWS ARE NOT TO YOUR LIKING? TO US THEY ARE INFORMATIVE, HOW ARE GOING TO FIND OUT HOW THE FOOD, CROPS, ANIMALS, OIL, WHAT ELSE IS THERE, MY MEMORY IS SLIPPING! WE REALLY DO NO KNOW IT TAKES TO KEEP A SHOW, CHANNEL GOING, I AM SURE IT IS ALOT OF WORK, MONEY, ETC. BUT PLEASE LET US HAVE, KEEP RFD-TV. WE THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I AM VIOLA BOWMAN. BILL SAYS HE ALSO. HE JUST LETS ME DO THE WRITING. HE WOULD PREFER TO WATCH THE CHANNEL. I DO NOT RECALL YOUR LAST NAME. RFD-TV STAFF CAN PUT YOUR NAME IN THIS LETTER - OH, YEAH TRUCOUNTRY

TO: FCC PROCEEDING # 16-41

SUBJECT: DISCRIMINATION AGAINST RFD-TV

FROM: KEN LYON

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I'M WRITING ABOUT RFD-TV BEING REMOVED FROM VERIZON-FIOS NETWORK(S). I FEEL THIS IS TOTALLY UNFAIR TO RURAL AMERICA.

AS AN AGRICULTURE PRODUCER, I MAKE DAILY BUSINESS DECISION BASED ON INFORMATION I RECIEVE EACH WEEKDAY FROM INFORMATION I RECIEVE FROM RFD-TV SHOW "MARKET DAY REPORT" @ 7 AM MT. I PAY PARTICULAR ATTENTION TO US WEEKLY EXPORTS OF US PRODUCED CROPS AROUND THE WORLD. I'M ALSO RECIEVE CROP REPORTS & EXPORT & PRICE INFO ABOUT COMPETIVE COUNTRIES SUCH AS BRAZIL, ARGENTINA, UKRAINE, RUSSIA AND AUSTRALIA IN COMPETITION WITH ALL U.S. AGRI PRODUCERS IN REAL TIME. THIS IS NOT AVAILABLE ANY WHERE NOT EVEN INTERNET.

SHOW SUCH A.G PHd & FARM JOURNAL COLLEGE T.V. SERIES IS A CONTINUING EDUCATION MUST FOR TODAYS HIGH TECH PRODUCER, IN AN EVER COMPETETIVE WORLD. AGRIC EXPORTS IS THE LARGEST SECTOR OF ALL US EXPORTS. PLEASE RESTORE RFD-TV TO ALL NETWORKS POSSIBLE.

THANK YOU KEN LYON

EMAIL: MONTANA KEN@BLACKFOOT.NET PH 406-847-2586

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To Whom It May Concern,

RE: Proceeding Number 16-41

Charles W. Hemler, Jr.
132 Neuburg Ave.
Catonsville, Md. 21228
RONNIE CHARLIE @ VERIZON.NET

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I've watched the RFD-TV on Channel 247 on the Verizon FIOS network. This was my only favorite channel for entertainment of Country, Bluegrass, and Polka music. I am an 83 yr old gentleman who had pursued COMCAST (my previous supplier) for 2 yrs. to get the RFD-TV Channel. Comcast had never heard of RFD-TV so I tried to educate them to no avail.
I then made the switch to Verizon FIOS which supplied this channel. I have been in contract with Verizon for 2 yrs. Now as of 1/31/16 RFD-TV has been eliminated. It is disheartening to see what has replaced RFD-TV a LAFF Channel. Big Laugh that's for sure! Verizon gives me a $5.00/per mo.

discount on my phone bill,
I want my channel RFD-TV back on
Verizon FIOS.

Sincerely,
Charlie Hemler

FCC 16-41 3/8/16
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c/o RFD-TV
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Nashville, Tenn 37203

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To Whom it may Concern:

As a Holder of Verizon Stock, agree with RFD-TV; that Verizon Chmn & CEO Lowell McAdam should resign. For his failure to give subscribers a well round programing of the daily progress of the country's happening. Which few of his contract sub-stations provide to the dept as RFD-TV does.

Retired, 81 years of age, fragile by 3 strokes (12, 13, 14) spend over 50% of my viewing time being educated in programing in how the rest of this great country lives and operates. By greater variety of small station contracts.

Verizon owes seniors and minors this service as it enlightens our day and mind to honest reality of life in the U.S.A. Believe it is the obligation of the FCC to use TV as a badly needed education tool for the Nation.

Norbert J Koch
NORBERT J KOCH
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CH CK, NY 14723
as Direct-TV subscriber