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Dear Chairman Kennard:

Please reject the proposed change in your Emergency Alert System (EAS) rules. It would prevent people watching local TV stations on a cable system from receiving emergency announcements from their local public safety authorities.

There is no basis for such preemption of state and local public safety authorities, particularly against their will. All viewers of cable channels should get emergency announcements from their local public safety authority, or public safety is harmed. Please reject the proposed change, including any proposal to preempt franchise provisions on local emergency alerts.

Very truly yours,

*Marsha E. Bouwkamp*

Marsha E. Bouwkamp, Supervisor

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