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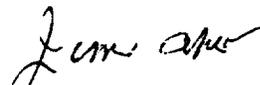
RE: Ex Parte Comments CS 98-178

Dear Commissioners:

The City of Burns Oregon urges the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to impose an equal access requirement on broadband cable lines into the home of consumers as a condition of any final FCC approval of the TCI and AT&T merger.

This action by the FCC is urgently needed to clarify and assure the Federal authority of localities to impose such a condition in situations where state and/or local law currently requires local government approval of a change in the franchise agreement.

Sincerely,


Jim Aho
City Manager

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