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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
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Ms. Magalie R. Salas
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW, Room TW-A325
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Implementation of the Satellite Home Viewer Improvement Act
of 1999 Broadcast Signal Carriage Issues – CS Docket
No. 00-96

Dear Ms. Salas:

On Thursday, October 13, 2000 the undersigned along with Ben Ivins of the National Association of Broadcasters, Tom Olson of Wilmer, Cutler & Pickering, and Nori Miller of Jenner and Block met with several member of the Commission's Cable Services Bureau. (See following list of Commission attendees.)

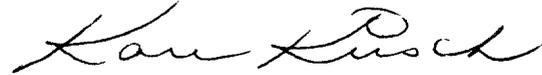
The Commission has a statutory mandate to implement rules to carry out the "carry one, carry all" provisions of the Satellite Home Viewer Improvement Act by November 29, 2000. We discussed the principles that the Commission's rules should reflect – those principles being the subject of our filings in this docket.

The principles discussed were the following: the carriage of all local stations should be on contiguous channels, nondiscrimination in pricing, equal treatment in program guides and navigational devices, no burden on viewers to purchase additional equipment, carrier's "receive facility" must be in the

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local market absent agreement by a majority of the local stations insisting on carriage, and that satellite carriers may not use unresolved claims about “signal quality” to refuse carriage.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Karen Fullum Kirsch".

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