

I oppose loosening the rules designed to promote and protect diversity of media ownership. These rules were adopted to ensure that the public would receive a diverse range of viewpoints from the media, and not simply the opinions of a handful of media conglomerates. The cable ownership

cap is a crucial element of our democratic media, and it should not be weakened.

The consolidation of ownership and power in the hands of fewer and fewer companies has meant higher rates and less diversity; more commercials and fewer programs of substance. The mandate of the FCC is to protect the public, not use them or turn them into cash cows. This is a serious betrayal of your charge. Reverse the trend to control by conglomerates, and make the public the beneficiaries of your actions instead of the victims.

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