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Dear Mr. Copps

I am handwriting to you to express the depth of my disappointment and anguish over the FCC's recent vote against the Baby Bells. This vote has the potential to to destroy our companies and our family.

My parents are in their 70's. They live on the income from the Baby Bell dividends. My mother has heart problems. They are insured through Southwestern Bells where my Dad is retired. The latest rumor I heard is Southwestern Bell is talking of stopping dividends and dropping the insurance offered.

My husband worked for 30 years with Southwestern Bell. He is retired and we depend on the dividend and insurance from Southwestern Bell.

My sister is a widow depending on the little dividends she receives from the Baby Bells.

My son and his wife are expecting

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a baby in September. His family new job is with Southwestern Bell. Southwestern Bell has been laying off to cut cost. During each phase of layoffs we as hold our breath, [illegible] be next.

Lastly my daughter wanted to use Southwestern Bells service. Now in their service was almost double. She was FORCED to use another business. I feel this was unfair to my daughter and to Southwestern Bell.

I understand times are hard and a budding company needs a break. These companies should be self supporting by now.

THESE VOICES ARE KILLING THE STOCKHOLDERS ALONG WITH BABY BELLS.

Thank you [illegible]

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[illegible] Mother, Daughter, Sister [illegible]

Stockholder

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