

Re: Docket 04-233.

It is regrettable that Sinclair Broadcasting is requiring their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary just days before the November 2, 2004 election. This is a disturbing example of the dangers of media consolidation. It violates the spirit, if not the actual legal responsibility, for broadcasting companies to use the "free PUBLIC airwaves" in a non-partisan manner.

Without equal time for a pro-Kerry programming (like "Going Upriver) or anti-Bush program (such as "F 9/11"), I do not see how Sinclair is meeting its lawful obligation to serve the public interest in a fair way.

When companies like Sinclair control the airwaves, without proper oversight and regulation by you, the FCC, we do not get what is truly needed for our democracy.

Sinclair's actions show why the license renewal process needs to involve much more than a returned postcard.

Respectfully yours, Paul Garber