

"My name is _____, I live at _____
in Newton, Massachusetts _____. I am a cable TV
subscriber (or cable modem subscriber), and I believe the recent
declaratory ruling on cable modem fees is flawed. By classifying
cable modem service as an information service instead of a cable
service, you will cause negative economic impact in our community,
particularly on one of the best things to have been created with these
cable modem franchise fees, PEG access TV. With your decision,
NewTV, my home city's PEG access facility, will have to cut jobs
and services to the community by nearly 28%. While this may have
been an unintended consequence of the FCC's ruling, I believe you
must consider the impact of this ruling on PEG access facilities
nationwide, who produce more original, non-repeated programming
each year than ABC, CBS, NBC and FOX combined, and of young
people and adults training in Internet use and web site development.
Please rescind this flawed decision, or do something to mitigate the
harm to local communities, such as allowing cable modem revenues
to be subject to local franchise fees, even though it may be
considered an information service for other regulatory reasons."