

Dear F.C.C.

I understand that a small but vocal group turned up at your hearing in Los Angeles on the effects of consolidation in the media industry to lobby for greater government control of the nation's broadcast media.

In today's world of YouTube downloads, blogs, and podcasts, micro-management no longer make sense since the typical viewer today has more options than ever before -- more channels, more programs, more choice. If Americans predominately watch major network shows, that is because they choose to watch those programs. And no one should take that choice away.

The government can take positive steps to help all viewers and listeners, but not by taking control of the airwaves.

Instead, the government should move to increase competition and choice by removing archaic laws that are out of step with the fundamental changes occurring in the marketplace.

Thank you,