

**Kenneth L. Hill**

Docket No. 06-181

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**From:** Candy Fitzpatrick [donfitz@nctc.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 02, 2006 11:53 AM  
**To:** Monica Desai  
**Subject:** Closed captioning

*Please leave the closed captioning alone. Many hearing impaired people need this in order to enjoy television. Thank you.*

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*Doclet No. 06-181*

**From:** Linda Geiger [LGeiger2005@optonline.net]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 02, 2006 11:32 AM  
**To:** Monica Desai  
**Subject:** Re: DA 06-1802, CGB-CC-0005 and CGB-CC-0007

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*October 2, 2006  
FCC Chief, Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau Monica Desai*

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*Dear Monica Desai,*

*As a mother of a deaf adult, it has been a joy to watch him be able to watch everything from the news to favorite movies and tv shows. To begin to undue this tremendous benefit to over 31 million deaf people in the US, is outrageous! Not only is captioning beneficial to deaf people but for my own mother with deteriorating hearing, it is a blessing to help her with the sounds she misses. Please don't shut the door on us. We need more shows to be captioned, not less!*

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*Deaf and hard of hearing people cannot watch television programs that are not captioned.*

*Please reconsider these FCC decisions and support closed captioning.*

*Sincerely,*

*Linda Geiger  
2 Emerald Ct  
Moriches, NY 11955-1424*

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**From:** anthony biondolillo [poetrymaster6@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 02, 2006 11:12 AM  
**To:** Monica Desai  
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*Sincerely,*

anthony biondolillo  
7322 Mai Tai Dr  
Orlando, FL 32822-5605

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**From:** Timothy Pardi [Meowcat57@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, September 22, 2006 9:02 PM  
**To:** Monica Desai  
**Subject:** Re: DA 06-1802, CGB-CC-0005 and CGB-CC-0007

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*Sincerely,*

*Timothy Pardi  
210 Willis Ave  
Herkimer, NY 13350-1026*

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**From:** Linda Mahmood [lmahmood@aol.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, September 22, 2006 8:42 PM  
**To:** Monica Desai  
**Subject:** Re: DA 06-1802, CGB-CC-0005 and CGB-CC-0007

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*Sincerely,*

*Linda Mahmood  
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Rocky River, OH 44116-1076*

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**From:** skaga18@aol.com**Sent:** Friday, September 22, 2006 8:21 PM**To:** Kevin Martin; Deborah Tate; Robert McDowell; Michael Copps; Jonathan Adelstein; Monica Desai**Subject:** Re: DA 06-1802, CGB-CC-0005 and CGB-CC-0007Federal Communications Commission  
Office of the Secretary

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Closed captioning is an essential part of any televised program. Captioning is not too difficult or too expensive.

I cannot watch television programs that are not captioned. In addition, my son who is hard of hearing cannot watch and learn from programs that are not captioned.

Please reconsider these FCC decisions and support closed captioning.

Elizabeth Vans Evers  
13901 N. Florida Ave. Apt 101  
Tampa, Fl. 33613

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**Sent:** Friday, September 22, 2006 8:02 PM  
**To:** Monica Desai  
**Subject:** Re: DA 06-1802, CGB-CC-0005 and CGB-CC-0007

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*The Deaf cannot watch television programs that are not captioned.*

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*Sincerely,*

*Sharon Sushko  
182 Tillotson Road  
Fanwood, NJ 07023-1480*

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**From:** Maureen Dempsey [kitty\_mouse\_2006@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, September 22, 2006 8:02 PM  
**To:** Monica Desai  
**Subject:** Re: DA 06-1802, CGB-CC-0005 and CGB-CC-0007

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*Sincerely,*

*Maureen Dempsey  
po box 2211  
kingston, NY 12402-2211*

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**From:** D Christine Adams [adamslab2@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, September 22, 2006 7:12 PM  
**To:** Monica Desai  
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*Sincerely,*

*D Christine Adams  
250 Springdale Terrace  
Yardley, PA 19067-3421*

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**From:** H Carol Craghan [Hcarolc1@aol.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, September 22, 2006 7:02 PM  
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*Sincerely,*

*H Carol Craghan  
1615 Redwood Road  
Apt. 2D  
San Marcos, TX 78666-1410*

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**From:** Lisa Price [kprice@codie.org]  
**Sent:** Friday, September 22, 2006 6:52 PM  
**To:** Monica Desai  
**Subject:** Re: DA 06-1802, CGB-CC-0005 and CGB-CC-0007

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*Sincerely,*

*Lisa Price  
3576 Arlington Ave  
#211  
Riverside, CA 92506-3943*

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**From:** Renae Quick [Luv2Sign4U@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, September 22, 2006 6:32 PM  
**To:** Monica Desai  
**Subject:** Re: DA 06-1802, CGB-CC-0005 and CGB-CC-0007

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Sincerely,

Rena Quick  
11739 Spring Club Drive  
San Antonio, TX 78249-2672

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**From:** Jean Trussell [jtrus10245@aol.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, September 22, 2006 6:22 PM  
**To:** Monica Desai  
**Subject:** Re: DA 06-1802, CGB-CC-0005 and CGB-CC-0007

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*Sincerely,*

*Jean Trussell  
1413 Eastview Drive  
Garland, TX 75040-7545*

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**From:** Thomas Kober [tomkober@aol.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, September 22, 2006 6:12 PM  
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*Sincerely,*

*Thomas Kober  
46004 Timber Road  
Vermillion, SD 57069-6970*

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**From:** David Burch [dburch2@sport.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, September 22, 2006 5:52 PM  
**To:** Monica Desai  
**Subject:** Re: DA 06-1802, CGB-CC-0005 and CGB-CC-0007

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David Burch  
1530 Coty St  
Shreveport, LA 71101-4917

**From:** Philip Moos [phil.moos@comcast.net]  
**Sent:** Friday, September 22, 2006 5:42 PM  
**To:** Monica Desai  
**Subject:** Re: DA 06-1802, CGB-CC-0005 and CGB-CC-0007

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*Philip Moos  
601 Park St Apt 9G  
Bordentown, NJ 08505-1435*

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**Sent:** Friday, September 22, 2006 4:52 PM  
**To:** Monica Desai  
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Derek Hodgson  
26 Lema Ln  
Palm Coast, FL 32137-9765

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**From:** skytalon@gmail.com on behalf of Katherine Gable [me@skytalon.com]

**Sent:** Friday, September 22, 2006 4:37 PM

**To:** Monica Desai

**Subject:** Re: DA 06-1802, CGB-CC-0005 and CGB-CC-0007

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Federal Communications Commission  
Office of the Secretary

Dear CGB Chief Monica DeSai,

I protest the recent Orders granting exemptions from closed captioning issued by CGB. These Orders appear to create a new regulation, carving out a new exemption basis, not in keeping with current regulations. We are outraged and believe the FCC has created a loophole that almost any entity crying "it costs too much" can now use. Please reconsider immediately! We need our closed captioning!

Katherine Gable  
560 Westgate Drive  
Edison, NJ 08820

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**From:** Larry Puthoff [lputhoff@c-s-d.org]  
**Sent:** Friday, September 22, 2006 4:32 PM  
**To:** Monica Desai  
**Subject:** Re: DA 06-1802, CGB-CC-0005 and CGB-CC-0007

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*Larry Puthoff*  
*5945 S Lois Ln*  
*Sioux Falls, SD 57108-2665*

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**From:** Christopher Wagner [cwagner@fadcentral.org]  
**Sent:** Friday, September 22, 2006 12:22 AM  
**To:** Monica Desai  
**Subject:** Re: DA 06-1802, CGB-CC-0005 and CGB-CC-0007

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*Sincerely,*

*Christopher Wagner  
518 49th St E  
Bradenton, FL 34208-5838*

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Pam Gregory

Docket No. 06-184

From: sepielli@aol.com  
 Sent: Thursday, November 02, 2006 11:57 AM  
 To: Kevin Martin; Michael Coppins; Jonathan Adelstein; Deborah Tate; Robert McDowell; Monica Desai; Tom.Chandler@fcc.gov  
 Cc: info@tdi-online.org  
 Subject: Tv Captioning

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Federal Communications Commission  
Office of the Secretary

> >  
 > > Dear Commissioners,  
 > >  
 > > This is to let you know that I fully support the action alerts from TDI  
 > > and other national organizations to oppose the decisions taken by the  
 > > Federal Communications Commission (FCC) on September 13, 2006. We  
 > > respectfully ask that the FCC reverse its September 13, 2006 decisions  
 > > regarding television captioning waivers.  
 > >  
 > > Churches make up a very important part of every community. It is within  
 > > their mission to support the basic needs of all people within their  
 > > reach. When Hurricane Katrina struck the Gulf Coast one year ago, they  
 > > were among the first to offer help with shelter, food, and other  
 > > assistance to the survivors. Captioning TV programs does meet a  
 > > legitimate basic need for access to information just like building a  
 > > ramp to the church door. By providing captions to meet the needs of a  
 > > significant population group, the churches will find themselves with an  
 > > expanded TV viewership, which will lead to an increase in their  
 > > membership and other support from the community. When children and  
 > > adults are able to read captions on spiritual programs, they are  
 > > influenced to live up to high moral standards and contribute their part  
 > > to the community. Hearing loss is the number one growing disability  
 > > among senior citizens - they will find themselves depending on  
 > > captioning to listen to the message.  
 > >  
 > > We want to participate fully in all programs and services at our local  
 > > church because it serves as a vital resource that empowers us to be  
 > > fully integrated in the community. If one of us who are deaf or hard of  
 > > hearing sees the services with captions on TV, we can interact with  
 > > other church members, neighbors, fellow employees, family members, and  
 > > service professionals in the local community. We stand to benefit from  
 > > the "local connection" that national religious programs are unable to  
 > > provide.  
 > >  
 > > We know that all video programmers have had ten years to prepare for the  
 > > captioning regulations now in place, and temporary waivers when  
 > > appropriate. When you give full permanent exemptions to the two  
 > > programmers, it reverses all the access we have worked on for years. We  
 > > ask that programmers consider other possible revenue options such as  
 > > sponsorships and aftermarket sales (videotapes or DVDs) to cover the  
 > > cost of captioning. Or, they can reduce other expenses in their  
 > > production budgets to enable the provision of captioning.  
 > >  
 > > Closed captioning gives me a) access to news that is indispensable to  
 > > the community, b) entertainment that is an integral part of our lives,  
 > > and c) education that paves the way for us to become self-sufficient in  
 > > society. The information that everyone in the community receives is also  
 > > important to me and I can only get it if it is captioned.

11/9/2006

> >  
> > Thank you for your consideration,  
> >  
> > Sincerely,  
Peter J. Sepielli  
4735 Private Place  
Waldorf, MD 20601

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