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August 14, 2007

Commission's Secretary  
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Federal Communications Commission  
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Washington, DC 20554

Re: Request for Exemption from Commission's Closed Captioning Ruling

This communiqué comes in response to your closed captioning ruling for television broadcasting. Please allow this letter to serve as an official petition under your Closed Captioning Rule (47 C.F.R. 79.1 (d)) and Undue Burden Exemption (47 C.F.R. 79.1 (f)).

I am writing to request that our church broadcast be temporarily exempted from the closed captioning rule. Our television ministry, a new venture for us, is an outreach that will initially be supported by our parishioners. This resource is limited however, as it is a common source of support for various other ministries in our church. As a supplement, we will solicit donations from our viewers, providing financial assistance from partnerships made outside the church.

We have contracted to remit WCSC – Channel 5 (Charleston, SC) \$2,000.00 monthly for a 30-minute weekly program. To include closed captioning, an additional expense of \$800.00 per month would be required. Although we will invest in the necessary equipment and software required to produce our closed captioning on site, for our initial start-up, this is an additional expense we would like to forego.

Our request is that you waive our closed captioning costs under the Undue Burden clause for one year. After this time, we will have purchased our own equipment and software to provide closed captioning on site.

Thank you for your consideration of our request.

Sincerely Submitted,

  
William A. Prioleau  
Senior Pastor