

August 2, 2010

Chairman Julius Genachowski
Commissioner Michael J. Copps
Commissioner Robert M. McDowell
Commissioner Mignon Clyburn
Commissioner Meredith Attwell Baker
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street SW
Washington, DC 20554

RE: MB Docket No. 10-56

Dear Chairman Genachowski and Commissioners:

An informed public is the foundation of our democracy. Non-commercial or PEG channels play a critical role in ensuring that communities have access to relevant local news and information. C-NET, Centre County's Government Access and Educational Access Network is one such programmer and we are writing you today to express why we believe the proposed joint venture between Comcast and NBC will support and encourage the growth of local non-commercial programming.

CNET provides a unique range of services throughout the Centre County region of Pennsylvania. We're proud to serve our local communities and always hope to provide relevant engaging local content. While the essence of C-NET's programming comes from the local content producers who generate our line-up, our mission would be impossible without the support of cable companies like Comcast – companies that understand the importance of maintaining local voices and regional values and who are willing to work with local communities to ensure citizens' programming needs are met in the most comprehensive and technologically advanced methods available. Comcast's dedication to PEG in Centre County has never wavered and we do not believe that it will do so with this partnership.

We're in this business because local community groups, public schools, religious institutions, colleges and universities, government officials, the disabled, and second language communities as well as national institutions such as NASA, the US Department of Education, and the US Army, to name a few, all use PEG facilities and equipment to advance their causes through cable television. The combination of Comcast, a company who has a long history of supporting PEG programming and working with local communities, with NBC will help to strengthen local programming as well as help to bring it to new and expanded audiences. We care deeply about the future of PEG.

Comcast may not be perfect, but they know local programming and they know PEG and we at CNET know them. As such, we're excited about their proposed partnership with NBC and are eager to move forward with all sorts of new opportunities for local programmers.

We wish Comcast and its employees great success as they embark on their joint venture with NBC Universal.

Sincerely,



Cindy Hahn,
Executive Director, C-NET