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From: EFF [information@eff.org] on behalf of Brian Cook [brianscook@gmail.com]
Sent: Saturday, September 17, 2011 1:42 PM
To: Robert McDowell
Subject: Refuse Requests for Waivers of 47 CFR 76.1204(a)(1) by NCTA, Charter, Verizon, and all other cable providers

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Office of the Secretary

Sep 17, 2011

Commissioner Robert McDowell

Dear Commissioner McDowell,

As a consumer interested in protecting competition, innovation, and legitimate use of cable TV content, I urge you to refuse requests for waivers of 47 CFR 76.1204(a)(1) by NCTA, Charter, Verizon, and all other cable providers. The FCC's integration ban, which in effect requires cable companies to integrate CableCARDS into their own set-top boxes, remains good policy today.

Now ten years after the Telecommunications Act of 1996, cable companies have dragged their feet long enough on competitive alternatives to proprietary set-top boxes, thus hampering innovation and harming consumers. The integration ban will also help market competition prevent further restrictions on cable subscribers' ability to make legitimate use of recorded content.

By adopting content protection limits (encoding rules) in docket no. 97-80, the Commission recognized the importance of allowing consumers to make certain uses of TV content, regardless of a particular cable provider's or copyright holder's wishes. With competition spurred on by the integration ban, consumers would have the freedom to choose the least restrictive cable-compatible device available. The CableCARD standard already prescribes restrictions that harm consumers by limiting non-infringing uses, and such restrictions will get even worse if cable providers' set-top boxes are unchecked by competition.

Please refuse requests for waivers of 47 CFR 76.1204(a)(1).

Sincerely,

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Sep 19, 2011

Commissioner Robert McDowell

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Sincerely,

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From: EFF [information@eff.org] on behalf of Glenn Connery [gwconnery@yahoo.com]
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Aug 15, 2011

Commissioner Robert McDowell

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Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

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Aug 4, 2011

Commissioner Robert McDowell

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There is no justification for the federal government to essentially hand a business a regional monopoly and then craft laws to support that monopoly.

Please refuse requests for waivers of 47 CFR 76.1204(a)(1).

Sincerely,

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