

To FCC Commissioners Genachowski, Clyburn and McDowell:

The well-being of our democracy is contingent upon an informed and educated public. Our radio and television waves are a PUBLIC resource. They are OWNED by the public and should be managed to the BENEFIT of our democracy, NOT corporations like FOX, ABC, or anyone else.

It is in the best interest of our democracy and the public to leverage our control of the radio and television waves to diversify the ownership of ALL media, including local newspapers.

I urge you not to lift the ownership ban on major newspapers and television stations. The safety of our democracy and public is at stake.

ADDITIONALLY, diverse, local ownership CREATES MORE JOBS than large corporations.

Regards,

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