

To FCC Commissioners Genachowski, Clyburn and McDowell:

Dear Commissioners Genachowski, Clyburn and McDowell:

I am writing to express my concern as a US citizen about plans to weaken media anti-monopoly legislation. We already live in a world where independent media are rare and most news accounts are biased. Even now, six giant corporations control more than half of what we watch and read everyday - - this is a big threat to our democracy. A step like lifting the ban on TV-newspaper dual ownership would give media empires like GE and News Corp the final greenlight to crush their competition. Under many pressures, and especially at publications controlled by large media empires, local newsrooms are closing, investigative journalism is collapsing and diverse viewpoints are shrinking from our airwaves.

As a member of the public to which the media cater, I have a duty to remind you that the FCC was created to protect the public voice, not to drown it - - I expect you to honor that mandate. Any weakening of anti-monopoly legislation in this area would hurt the public interest.

Regards,

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