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Julius Genachowski, Chairman  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

I object to the recent change to the FCC rules in the matter of Basic Service Tier Encryption Compatibility Between Cable Systems and Consumer Electronics Equipment, MB Docket No. 11-169.

As I stated in my comments about the proposal (see <http://apps.fcc.gov/ecfs/document/view?id=7021859120>), encrypting basic service tier signals would have no direct benefits for me as a basic service tier subscriber. Based on the most recent pricing information that I have from the cable system where I live, encrypting basic service tier signals will increase the monthly cable bill of subscribers 10% for each television set with a QAM tuner the subscriber uses to view only basic service tier channels.

The actions of the FCC in this matter indicate that it is acceptable to increase the price of the lowest service tier without increasing the price of higher service tiers, as long as the increase affects only a small number of subscribers.

Congress could act similarly by increasing the tax rate of the lowest income tax bracket from 10% to, say, 12%, but only for those in the lowest bracket. Those in a higher bracket would continue to pay the same amount in income tax. They would continue to pay a 10% rate on the part of their taxable income in the lowest bracket.

If Congress did that, I would tell the members of Congress that represent me that I objected to such a change. I am sending a copy of this letter to the FCC commissioners who issued a statement in support of the change to let them know that I object to the change. I am sending a copy to members of Congress who represent me for them to consider whether the rule change is consistent with the intent of laws passed by Congress.

There is no need to reply to this letter.

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- cc: Kirsten Gillibrand, Senator, United States Congress
- cc: Nan Hayworth, Representative, United States Congress
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