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Mr. Mike Palkovic
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Dear Mr. Palkovic:

Thank you for appearing before the Subcommittee on Communications and Technology on March 5, 2014, to testify at the hearing entitled "Reauthorization of the Satellite Television Extension and Localism Act."

Pursuant to the Rules of the Committee on Energy and Commerce, the hearing record remains open for ten business days to permit Members to submit additional questions for the record, which are attached. The format of your responses to these questions should be as follows: (1) the name of the Member whose question you are addressing, (2) the complete text of the question you are addressing in bold, and (3) your answer to that question in plain text.

To facilitate the printing of the hearing record, please respond to these questions with a transmittal letter by the close of business on July 9, 2014. Your responses should be mailed to Charlotte Savercool, Legislative Clerk, Committee on Energy and Commerce, 2125 Rayburn House Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515 and e-mailed in Word format to Charlotte.Savercool@mail.house.gov.

Thank you again for your time and effort preparing and delivering testimony before the Subcommittee.

Sincerely,



Greg Walden
Chairman
Subcommittee on Communications and Technology

cc: Anna Eshoo, Ranking Member, Subcommittee on Communications and Technology

Attachment

Attachment —Additional Questions for the Record

The Honorable Greg Walden

1. Please describe the difference, if any, between the operation and impact of MVPD “interconnects” mentioned in your testimony and broadcaster JSAs. Please detail both the impact on buyers of local advertising as well as the impact on competitors in the sale of local advertising.

The Honorable Anna Eshoo

1. I hear from my constituents regularly about their frustrations with the seemingly ever higher rates they pay for video programming. In 1992, the monthly cost of cable was only around \$20, and since then consumer’s monthly bills have increased to well over \$90. Will any of the proposals in the discussion draft reduce the monthly cost of service or give consumers greater flexibility to choose a programming package that best meets their needs?