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## MEDIA BUREAU ACTION

PETITION SEEKING DECLARATORY RULING THAT THE ZONING BY-LAWS OF NEEDHAM, MASSACHUSETTS ARE PREEMPTED BY THE COMMISSION'S OVER-THE-AIR RECEPTION DEVICES RULE

The Commission has received a Petition for Declaratory Ruling from Uniigo Communications, Inc. asking the Commission to determine that the installation of fixed wireless antennas on the roof tops of multiple tenant commercial buildings are within the scope of the Commission's Over-the-Air Reception Devices rule and, if so, whether the Zoning By-Laws of the Town of Needham, Massachusetts contain provisions restricting installation and placement of such antennas that are preempted by Section 1.4000 of the Commission's rules. The Petition alleges that the Zoning By-Laws violate the Commission's rule preempting restrictions that impair installation, maintenance or use of over-the-air reception devices (including satellite dishes and other fixed wireless antennas) by requiring prior approval and imposing unreasonable placement requirements.

Parties may file responses to the Petition on or before **November 7, 2002** and replies on or before **November 22, 2002**. Please place the case identifier, **CSR-5988-O**, on all filings.

The Petition is available for public inspection in the Commission's Reference Information Center:

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