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See MCI v. FCC, 515 F 2d 385 (D.C. Circ 1974).

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FCC DENIES 36 INDECENCY COMPLAINTS ABOUT VARIOUS TELEVISION PROGRAMS

Washington, D.C.: The Federal Communications Commission today issued two orders denying a total of 36 complaints alleging that various television station licensees had aired indecent material during a variety of programs. The complaints had alleged that various programs that aired between October 29, 2001 and February 11, 2004 contained segments of a sexually explicit nature or used indecent or profane language.

The Commission concluded that, in context, none of the segments were patently offensive under contemporary community standards for the broadcast medium, and thus not indecent. The Commission also found that the material was not profane, in context.

By the Commission: Chairman Powell, Commissioners Abernathy and Adelstein.
Commissioners Copps and Martin approving in part/dissenting in part and issuing statements (Commissioner Martin issuing a statement at a later date). FCC 04-279 and FCC 04-280,
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