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The Honorable Julius Genachowski
Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
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Dear Chairman Genachowski:

It has come to my attention that, after the end of the broadcast of analog television signals and the switch to digital signals on June 12, 2009, cable television subscribers in New Jersey and throughout the country have found that they have lost access to channels which used to be part of their cable subscription "packages." In order to re-acquire these channels, consumers have had to purchase additional equipment from their cable providers and pay an additional monthly fee.

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During the worst economic crisis since the Great Depression, this practice strikes me as unduly onerous. I respectfully request that you inform me of what action, if any, the Federal Communications Commission has taken to address this issue. Please contact my Legislative Assistant, Will Isenberg, at (202) 225 5061 with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,



Steven R. Rothman, M.C.

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cc: Sen. Loretta Weinberg

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