

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

October 6, 2009

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

Dear Chairman Genachowski:

As you know, Section 331 of the Communications Act was written to provide opportunities for states, like New Jersey, that do not have commercial VHF television channels allotted to them. It is my understanding that this provision requires the FCC to reallocate a commercial VHF channel to such a state if a licensee of a commercial VHF station provides proper notification. The last time that Section 331 was invoked, the Commission was able to reallocate the channel within three months of the filing of the notification.

Recently, I was contacted by PMCM TV, a group eager to relocate a station to New Jersey with the goal of providing local programming and creating jobs for communities in my state. On June 15, 2009, PMCM TV filed notifications with the FCC advising that it intends to move a commercial VHF television station to the state of New Jersey.

I ask that you closely review this proposal and act swiftly in responding to PMCM TV's notification. Thank you for your attention to this matter. I look forward to an update on the status of this proceeding.

Sincerely,



FRANK PALLONE, JR.
Member of Congress



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Member of Congress

CC: Commissioner Michael J. Copps
Commissioner Robert McDowell
Commissioner Mignon Clyburn
Commissioner Meredith Attwell Baker