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The Honorable Walter B. Jones
U.S. House of Representatives
2333 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Jones:

Thank you for your letter regarding the status of an Application for Review that was filed with the Commission concerning the availability of the Mid-Atlantic Sports Network (MASN) on cable television systems in North Carolina that are operated by Time Warner Cable.

Pursuant to a condition adopted by the Commission when it approved the sale of Adelphia Communications Corporation to Time Warner, Inc. and Comcast, MASN requested that the American Arbitration Association adjudicate its carriage dispute with Time Warner. Subsequently, an arbitrator rendered a decision in favor of MASN, and Time Warner requested that the Commission's Media Bureau review the arbitrator's decision. The Media Bureau, in October 2008, issued an *Order on Review* denying Time Warner's appeal and affirming the arbitrator's decision mandating carriage of MASN on Time Warner cable television systems in North Carolina. As noted in your correspondence, Time Warner has filed an Application for Review requesting that the Bureau's decision be reviewed by the full Commission.

On January 16, 2009, a draft decision concerning the Time Warner Application was circulated to the full Commission. I recognize the need to resolve this matter in the interests of the parties, as well as consumers in North Carolina who subscribe to Time Warner service. Please be assured that the Commission intends to act as quickly as possible to review the issues discussed in the Application.

I appreciate learning your views on this important matter. Please let me know if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Julius Genachowski".

Julius Genachowski
Chairman