



FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

May 31, 2011

JULIUS GENACHOWSKI
CHAIRMAN

The Honorable Rick Berg
U.S. House of Representatives
323 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Berg:

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The Honorable Leonard Boswell
U.S. House of Representatives
1026 Longworth House Office Building
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Dear Congressman Boswell:

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1727 Longworth House Office Building
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The Honorable John R. Carter
U.S. House of Representatives
409 Cannon House Office Building
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U.S. House of Representatives
2188 Rayburn House Office Building
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The Honorable K. Michael Conaway
U.S. House of Representatives
2430 Rayburn House Office Building
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2408 Rayburn House Office Building
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The Honorable Norman D. Dicks
U.S. House of Representatives
2467 Rayburn House Office Building
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1122 Longworth House Office Building
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May 31, 2011

JULIUS GENACHOWSKI
CHAIRMAN

The Honorable Cynthia M. Lummis
U.S. House of Representatives
113 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congresswoman Lummis:

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U.S. House of Representatives
2434 Rayburn House Office Building
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The Honorable Mike McIntyre
U.S. House of Representatives
2133 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

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The Honorable Brad Miller
U.S. House of Representatives
1127 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

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JULIUS GENACHOWSKI
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The Honorable Kristi Noem
U.S. House of Representatives
226 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congresswoman Noem:

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The Honorable Bill Owens
U.S. House of Representatives
431 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

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The Honorable Collin C. Peterson
U.S. House of Representatives
2211 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

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The Honorable Reid Ribble
U.S. House of Representatives
1513 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

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U.S. House of Representatives
2436 Rayburn House Office Building
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U.S. House of Representatives
507 Cannon House Office Building
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The Honorable Kurt Schrader
U.S. House of Representatives
314 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

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U.S. House of Representatives
503 Cannon House Office Building
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The Honorable Lee Terry
U.S. House of Representatives
2331 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

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The Honorable Mac Thornberry
U.S. House of Representatives
2209 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

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