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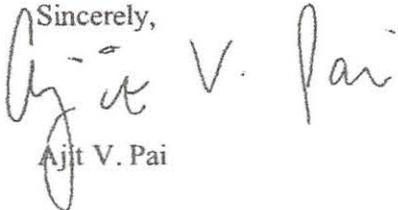
The Honorable Anna G. Eshoo  
U.S. House of Representatives  
202 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congresswoman Eshoo:

Thank you for your letter regarding the implementation of Section 642 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended. As you note, this new section, enacted as part of the Television Viewer Protection Act, will provide consumers with new truth-in-billing disclosures regarding multichannel video programming services.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Media Bureau recently found that “good cause” exists to extend the effective date of these new requirements from June 20, 2020, to December 20, 2020, as contemplated by the Television Viewer Protection Act.<sup>1</sup> This extension will allow covered entities to focus their resources on keeping Americans informed and connected during the national emergency. The Commission fully expects that covered entities will comply with the new requirements as of the new effective date. The staff is currently evaluating whether any industry guidance is required concerning compliance.

Please let me know if I can be of any further assistance.

Sincerely,  
  
Ajit V. Pai

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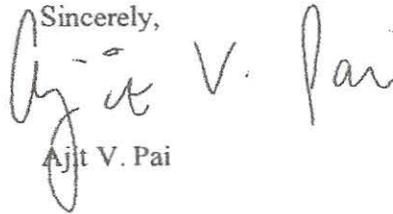
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