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October 14, 2022

The Honorable Tom Emmer  
U.S. House of Representatives  
315 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Emmer:

Thank you for your letter concerning the regulatory fee process at the Federal Communications Commission and the impact of changes to that process on broadcasters.

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The Honorable David Scott  
U.S. House of Representatives  
468 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Scott:

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The Honorable Jeff Duncan  
U.S. House of Representatives  
2229 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Duncan:

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The Honorable Terri A. Sewell  
U.S. House of Representatives  
2201 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Sewell:

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U.S. House of Representatives  
569 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Norman:

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U.S. House of Representatives  
461 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Stauber:

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U.S. House of Representatives  
1440 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Ann Wagner  
U.S. House of Representatives  
2350 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Glenn Grothman  
U.S. House of Representatives  
1427 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Grothman:

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568 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Steve Chabot  
U.S. House of Representatives  
2408 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Chabot:

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U.S. House of Representatives  
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Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Chip Roy  
U.S. House of Representatives  
1005 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Roy:

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The Honorable David Rouzer  
U.S. House of Representatives  
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The Honorable Joe Wilson  
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The Honorable David Joyce  
U.S. House of Representatives  
2065 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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2455 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Yvette Herrell  
U.S. House of Representatives  
1305 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Herrell:

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The Honorable Thomas Tiffany  
U.S. House of Representatives  
1719 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Christopher H. Smith  
U.S. House of Representatives  
2373 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Markwayne Mullin  
U.S. House of Representatives  
2421 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Alex X. Mooney  
U.S. House of Representatives  
2228 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Bryan Steil  
U.S. House of Representatives  
1526 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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U.S. House of Representatives  
1507 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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U.S. House of Representatives  
1408 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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U.S. House of Representatives  
1504 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Randy Weber  
U.S. House of Representatives  
107 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Weber:

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The Honorable Carol Miller  
U.S. House of Representatives  
465 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Michael Flood  
U.S. House of Representatives  
1514 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Don Bacon  
U.S. House of Representatives  
1024 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Bacon:

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The Honorable Jim Jordan  
U.S. House of Representatives  
2056 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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October 14, 2022

The Honorable William Timmons  
U.S. House of Representatives  
267 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Mark Amodei  
U.S. House of Representatives  
104 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable John Moolenaar  
U.S. House of Representatives  
117 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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U.S. House of Representatives  
2313 Rayburn House Office Building  
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U.S. House of Representatives  
1213 Longworth House Office Building  
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U.S. House of Representatives  
2371 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Garret Graves  
U.S. House of Representatives  
2402 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Darin LaHood  
U.S. House of Representatives  
1424 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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U.S. House of Representatives  
1210 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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2422 Rayburn House Office Building  
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U.S. House of Representatives  
566 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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U.S. House of Representatives  
166 Cannon House Office Building  
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The Honorable Rodney Davis  
U.S. House of Representatives  
2079 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Davis:

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The Honorable David B. McKinley  
U.S. House of Representatives  
2239 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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2412 Rayburn House Office Building  
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October 14, 2022

The Honorable Tracey Mann  
U.S. House of Representatives  
522 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Mann:

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U.S. House of Representatives  
1502 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Lauren Boebert  
U.S. House of Representatives  
1609 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Jared Golden  
U.S. House of Representatives  
1222 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable James R. Comer  
U.S. House of Representatives  
2410 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Comer:

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The Honorable Aumua Amata Coleman Radewagen  
U.S. House of Representatives  
1339 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Trey Hollingsworth  
U.S. House of Representatives  
1641 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Jefferson Van Drew  
U.S. House of Representatives  
2447 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Teresa Leger Fernandez  
U.S. House of Representatives  
1432 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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U.S. House of Representatives  
2112 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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U.S. House of Representatives  
170 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Kelly Armstrong  
U.S. House of Representatives  
1740 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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October 14, 2022

The Honorable Fred Keller  
U.S. House of Representatives  
1717 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Clay Higgins  
U.S. House of Representatives  
572 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Higgins:

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The Honorable Jake LaTurner  
U.S. House of Representatives  
1630 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative LaTurner:

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U.S. House of Representatives  
2312 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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October 14, 2022

The Honorable Blake Moore  
U.S. House of Representatives  
1320 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Mark E. Green  
U.S. House of Representatives  
2446 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Jody Hice  
U.S. House of Representatives  
404 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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U.S. House of Representatives  
2469 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Billy Long  
U.S. House of Representatives  
2454 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Long:

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The Honorable Kevin Hern  
U.S. House of Representatives  
1019 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Michelle Steel  
U.S. House of Representatives  
1113 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Barry Loudermilk  
U.S. House of Representatives  
2133 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Loudermilk:

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U.S. House of Representatives  
1330 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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U.S. House of Representatives  
2431 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Robert B. Aderholt  
U.S. House of Representatives  
266 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Aderholt:

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The Honorable Steven M. Palazzo  
U.S. House of Representatives  
2349 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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October 14, 2022

The Honorable Deborah K. Ross  
U.S. House of Representatives  
1208 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Virginia Foxx  
U.S. House of Representatives  
2462 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Foxx:

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The Honorable John Carter  
U.S. House of Representatives  
2208 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Carter:

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The Honorable Adrian Smith  
U.S. House of Representatives  
502 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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October 14, 2022

The Honorable Mariannette Miller-Meeks  
U.S. House of Representatives  
1716 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Miller-Meeks:

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October 14, 2022

The Honorable Henry Cuellar  
U.S. House of Representatives  
2372 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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U.S. House of Representatives  
2185 Rayburn House Office Building  
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The Honorable Tim Ryan  
U.S. House of Representatives  
1126 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Michael Guest  
U.S. House of Representatives  
230 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Sam Graves  
U.S. House of Representatives  
1135 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Sanford D. Bishop  
U.S. House of Representatives  
2407 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Bishop:

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U.S. House of Representatives  
2055 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Warren Davidson  
U.S. House of Representatives  
2113 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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U.S. House of Representatives  
2234 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Michelle Fischbach  
U.S. House of Representatives  
1237 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Dusty Johnson  
U.S. House of Representatives  
1714 Longworth House Office Building  
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The Honorable Jake Ellzey  
U.S. House of Representatives  
1725 Longworth House Office Building  
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