

Before the
Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554

In the Matter of)
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CENTURY COMMUNICATIONS)
CORPORATION)
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Resolution of)
Rate Complaints)
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ORDER

Adopted: August 22, 1996

Released: August 23, 1996

By the Commission:

1. Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 1.1204(b)(7), the Cable Services Bureau staff met with Century Communications Corporation to discuss the resolution of issues relating to complaints regarding the rates charged for cable programming service offerings. The staff of the Cable Services Bureau received from Century the attached proposal to resolve the rate complaints. On initial review the Commission believes that the proposal is a reasonable approach to resolve these matters. The Commission directs the Cable Services Bureau to serve a copy of this Proposed Resolution on (i) all local franchising authorities in the benchmark franchises at issue here; and (ii) any party other than a local franchising authority who filed a valid complaint for their comment. Parties wishing to comment on the proposal should do so by filing with the Secretary within thirty days of the date of this Order. There will be a fifteen day period for reply comments. Because it would be unduly burdensome to require that each complainant be served with every comment, pursuant to our Rate Order,¹ we will not require the parties to serve their comments on all parties. All comments and reply comments will be publicly available.

¹ See Implementation of Sections of the Cable Television Consumer Protection and Competition Act of 1992: Rate Regulation, MM Docket No. 92-266, Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, 8 FCC Rcd 5631, 5859 ¶ 363 (1993); see also 47 C.F.R. § 1.1200(a).

2. ACCORDINGLY, IT IS ORDERED That the staff shall serve the franchising authorities and complainants with this Proposed Resolution and provide thirty days for comments and fifteen days for reply comments.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

William F. Caton
Acting Secretary