



September 14, 2011

Mitsuko Herrera, Cable Communications Administrator
Office of Cable and Communication Services
100 Maryland Avenue Suite 250
Rockville, MD 20850

Dear Ms. Herrera:

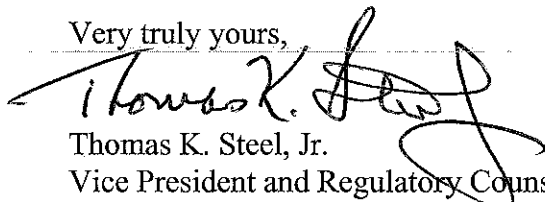
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Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Very truly yours,



Thomas K. Steel, Jr.
Vice President and Regulatory Counsel



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101 Monroe Street
Rockville, MD 20850

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