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The Honorable Julius Genachowski  
Chairman  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW  
Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Chairman Genachowski,

As you implement the television broadcast incentive auctions authorized by the *Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act*, we write to express our interest in the Commission's efforts to conduct these groundbreaking auctions and subsequently repack stations into a new television band.

After months of initial effort, on October 2, 2012, the Commission released a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking on Expanding the Economic and Innovation Opportunities of Spectrum Through Incentive Auctions. We appreciate the emphasis the notice places on preserving the existing coverage area and supporting the population served by these television stations and the attention paid to relocation costs for stations as they transition to a new band. While this proceeding holds significant potential for our economic future, the Commission should be responsive to the information it receives from broadcasters and act with precision for the process to be a success.

Tens of millions of households across the country and tens of thousands in Colorado rely on over-the-air television signals for local news and programming. Spectrum is valuable to these viewers as well, and we hope you will continue making every attempt to minimize any disruption to this service. We look forward to working with you to alleviate the spectrum crunch and maximize the opportunity for a successful auction in 2014.

Sincerely,



Diana DeGette  
Member of Congress



Doug Lamborn  
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Ed Perlmutter  
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