

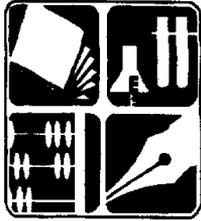
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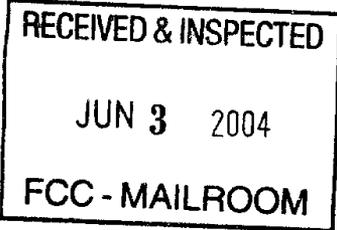
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RE: WT Docket No. 03-66

Jill Conway  
75 Calhoun Street  
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Dear Chairman Powell:

Each year Charleston County School District, in partnership with South Carolina ETV and the State Department of Education, utilizes Instructional Television Fixed Service ("ITFS") channels to transmit nearly 3,500 instructional and professional development programs to over 23,500 students and 3,000 educators in our schools. The advent of new technologies and the prospect of band plan and rule changes requested by the ITFS community promise new digital educational services that could deliver wireless broadband service to our K-12 students and the rural communities we serve.

Hillery Douglas  
5901 Ryans Bluff Road  
N. Charleston, SC 29418

CCSD understands that a proposal from the Wireless Bureau is being circulated for rushed FCC consideration that would eliminate the eligibility restrictions on ITFS spectrum, and would reduce the amount of spectrum held by each ITFS licensee in order to accommodate new commercial users in the band. This proposal is seriously flawed.

Sandra Engelman  
915 Julia Street  
Charleston, SC 29412

ITFS is the only spectrum specifically allocated to support formal education. This vital educational asset must be protected, as the FCC promised to do just three years ago. As the FCC updates the technical rules for ITFS to more effectively support a range of new broadband services, **we urge you to reject misguided proposals to allow any ITFS spectrum to be licensed to commercial entities, or to reduce in any respect the total amount of spectrum allocated to ITFS.** If necessary, you must delay consideration of the proposal to a later meeting, so that our concerns can be heard.

Gregg Myers  
39 Broad Street, Suite300  
Charleston, SC 29401

The possibilities for future development of educational services in the ITFS band are exciting, and we plan to use the spectrum fully in the years ahead. I hope that you will support our efforts to keep this valuable educational resource. Thank you for your consideration of this important matter.

Brian Moody  
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Sincerely,

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Charleston County School District

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