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Mr. David J. Barrett
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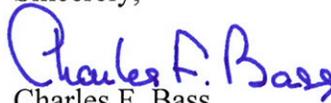
Dear Mr. Barrett and Mr. Britt:

I have been contacted by many Time Warner Cable (TWC) subscribers in New Hampshire who, due to the retransmission consent impasse between Hearst Television and TWC that began on July 10, 2012, are unable to view WMUR. During this now week-long impasse, tens of thousands of my constituents have been unable to access local news and weather programming that is specific to New Hampshire, and not a neighboring state.

While this is not the first time that retransmission consent talks have broken down and channels have gone dark, and not even the first time New Hampshire residents have been affected by such an impasse this year, I am concerned that my constituents are unfairly caught in the middle of your negotiation, either as collateral damage or intentionally used for leverage.

Without interfering with or opining on the merits of your negotiation, I urge you to resolve this dispute to the benefit of viewers in New Hampshire as quickly as possible.

Sincerely,



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