



Local Governments Denounce FCC Action

Washington, DC – March 6, 2007 - Yesterday, the Federal Communications Commission released its Report and Order on video franchising. As the representatives of almost every municipal or county government in the United States, the National League of Cities (NLC), the National Association of Counties (NACo), the United States Conference of Mayors (USCM), the National Association of Telecommunications Officers and Advisors (NATOA), the Alliance for Community Media (ACM) and the Alliance for Communications Democracy (ACD), strongly disagree with the Commission's decision, including the Commission's authority to rule on this matter. The coalition is carefully reviewing the Commission's decision, which will bring great harm to local governments across the country by undermining their authority to act to protect the taxpaying public, their public rights of way and their public safety. The coalition will provide further comments following a detailed review of the order.

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