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To:

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From:

Bob Smith, Executive Director

Sacramento Metropolitan Cable Television Commission

OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

Subject: ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION FOR TECHNICAL MODIFICATIONS AND CLARIFICATIONS

The attached letter from Sacramento Cable Television requests technical modifications to the cable system design and certain other clarifications of the Franchise Documents as follows:

- 1. Change the dual cable 350 MHz system to a 550 MHz single cable design initially utilizing 450 hardware spaced to 550 MHz and ultimately retrofitted to the higher 550 MHz capacity upon certain conditions.
- 2. Make corresponding changes in the microwave distribution system to use AM microwave in a seven hub configuration rather than supertrunk, FM microwave, and four headends (also includes a substitution request for use of 60% braided shield drop cable which staff recommends processing later under the equipment substitution procedure).
- 3. Allocate up to 20 MHz of spectrum space for I-Net usage until 90% of capacity is obtained, at which time up to a 200 mile I-Net is required.
- 4. Allow adjustment of the mileage construction timetable to begin building the system throughout the Imposed Service Area rather than the confined geographical areas originally bid. Open a public access studio and begin basic training in Month 26 due to delay in construction start-up.
- 5. Secure a recommendation from the Commission to the various Departments of Public Works regarding underground construction in front yards rather than at the lip-of-the-gutter.
- 6. Utilize a major accounting firm to determine the commercial viability of the 24-hour news service prior to its initiation, rather than beginning the service and then commence a test period.
- 7. Eliminate the requirement for preconstruction photography.
- 8. Restate the original formula to specify the maximum dollar amount of revenues from Tier I rates to be used in paying copyright fees for distant signals.

#### Fiscal Appropriateness.

Sacramento Cable Television states their estimated \$100 million loan is in place, and are prepared to initiate construction by March 15th. However, by the attached letter, they indicate that it is necessary to reduce expenditures by approximately \$20 to \$30 million to make the Sacramento system a viable business enterprise.

Actual experience in urban markets has caused the company to change their original revenue/subscriber and pay to basic assumptions. Further, competition from VCR sales, MDS systems and video recordings are threatening the financial health of the Sacramento system by, among other factors, depressing the original penetration assumptions. Granting the technical changes requested, according to Sacramento Cable Television, will mitigate these adverse economic factors. In addition, with the design change, construction will occur simultaneously from multiple hubsites located throughout the Imposed Service Area rather than the limited geographical areas originally indicated.

In order to determine the necessity of granting such modifications, the Commission staff asked Touche Ross to review the reasonableness of these assumptions and the appropriateness of approving their request.

According to Touche Ross, whose final report will be distributed Tuesday, Sacramento Cable's request for changes in system design are reasonable.

- --- The company has lowered its penetration and revenue-per-subscriber projections. Based on Touche Ross' analysis of current urban markets' experience since the submission of the original proposal, the lower projections appear justified and reasonable.
- --- Given these new projections, the requested change in design will allow Sacramento Cable to maintain financial health and stability.
- --- The proposed changes in system design are sound economically, because they provide significant capital savings for the operator, without cutbacks in the range of programming and services available to subscribers.

#### Technical Appropriateness.

The technical modifications were submitted to Hammett & Edison, the Commission's Engineer, who determined whether or not the proposed system was as reliable, had sufficient capacity, and was as technically sound as the dual cable configuration originally bid. It is not possible to make a component by component comparison of the proposed 450/550 MHz system versus the dual cable 350 MHz system since they are entirely different designs and configurations. However, it is possible to review whether or not the proposed alternative system design is equivalent based upon the following overall factors:

- 1. Provides in every respect the same degree of reliability as the original proposed system.
- 2. Has the capacity to carry both the program services originally bid as well as sufficient capacity to carry all services that might be brought on line in the foreseeable future.
- 3. Is technically equal to or superior in signal quality at point of delivery as that originally bid.

The conclusions of Hammett & Edison, whose final report will also be distributed Tuesday, are as follows:

#### 1. Reliability.

Subject to Sacramento Cable Television agreeing to the stipulations in the Hammett & Edison report on the Alternative System Design request of February 20th, and based on manufacturers' representation, Hammett & Edison concludes that the AM microwave system now proposed will provide reliability comparable to the combined FM and AM microwave system originally proposed.

#### 2. System Capacity.

Subject to a successful frequency coordination study and ultimate licensing by the FCC, which Hammett & Edison believes to be likely, the capacity of the proposed system will be adequate for delivery of presently proposed and what they believe to be reasonably foreseeable future programming and other services.

#### 3. Quality and Performance Characteristics.

Subject to Sacramento Cable Television agreeing to the stipulations in the Hammett & Edison report on the Alternative System Design and based on manufacturers' representation, Hammett & Edison concludes that the quality and performance characteristics of the 550 MHz single cable system will be equal to or better than the characteristics of the dual cable 400 MHz system originally proposed.

From staff's viewpoint, the new system provides the same overall reliability, capacity, and meets our technical standards and, therefore, it is recommended that you approve the design change. However, such approval should be conditioned upon the stipulations as outlined in the Hammett & Edison report.

#### Recommended Technical Modifications.

According to the Commission's Engineer, the equipment for the 550 MHz system is still unavailable as a standard production model, but will be very soon. Therefore, to ensure cable is delivered to the Sacramento subscriber as soon as possible, staff is recommending that the cable company be permitted to:

- --- Initially construct the system utilizing 450 MHz hardware spaced at a 550 MHz design.
- --- Mandated to upgrade to a 550 MHz system when it is:

Determined to be appropriate, in the sole discretion of the Commission, unless the company can demonstrate that it is:

- (a) Unreliable;
- (b) Unavailable in production quantities;
- (c) Upgrade equipment is in incompatible with existing amplifier housings; or
- (d) Alternative technology is available which provides the capacity of 550 MHz.

With respect to the I-Net, staff finds that the 3,000 mile reserved spectrum space (up to 20 MHz) on the 450 MHz subscriber system is acceptable for I-Net usage as long as:

- --- Up to a 200 mile separate I-Net loop is constructed when over a 30-day period, 90% of the existing 20 MHz capacity on the Subscriber Network is utilized; or
- --- When an available user contract cannot be accommodated with this I-Net allocation on the Subscriber Network; and
- --- The five video I-Net channels obligated to the Educational Consortium are, at all times, made available.

#### Clarifications.

#### 1. Front Yard/Parkway Construction.

The company has asked that it be allowed to reduce construction costs by building a portion of the 1,000 miles of underground cable installation in front yards or parkways outside the street area. This issue has been discussed with Public Works on numerous occasions. However, the cable company is now managed by new personnel who earnestly believe that this issue should be evaluated again.

In addition, the company believes it is possible to pre-approve certain areas for front yard construction. It is conceivable that Public Works may agree that some areas can be so pre-approved.

Staff suggests that the Commission recommend that Public Works meet with the cable franchisee to discuss whether certain underground construction areas can be approved for front yard construction. It should be noted that the Public Works Departments are not bound to grant the cable company's request.

#### 2. Preconstruction Photography.

Preconstruction photography was raised by the company as being unduly burdensome. This provision requires that the cable company video tape or record photographically in some way every street prior to construction. Such evidence is utilized in the Hearing Officer complaint process to prove whether or not the homeowner has suffered damages as a result of cable construction. We have no objection to leaving this requirement optional as long as the burden of proof during the hearing process or subsequent lawsuits is shifted entirely to the franchisee. Therefore, staff would recommend such a change.

#### 3. 24-Hour News Service.

Under the existing agreement, three and a half years from now or when there are 100,000 subscribers, the cable company must provide a 24-hour local news channel unless, after placing it on the system for one year, it is proven to be commercially unsuccessful. Because of the start-up cost, the company wishes to be permitted to test the marketplace and have such a determination made prior to hiring personnel and initiation of the 24-hour local news channel. As you will recall, staff's analysis of the original bid expressed concern that because of the amount of news available in the Sacramento market this news service was marginal and consented to such a test of its removal. We have no objections to undertaking the test earlier as long as it is done by one of the Big Eight accounting firms. Further, it is recommended that the resolution provision regulating the associated staffing requirements be deleted. It is my view that if the test shows the local news service is not commercially viable, we ought to have the option of reviewing this matter every three years thereafter throughout the 20-year term.

Should you agree to approve these modifications, I have been assured that construction will commence in approximately seven to ten days and that it will occur throughout the Imposed Service Area. We are very pleased with the progress made by E. W. Scripps, Scripps-Howard Broadcasting and Sacramento Cable Television to date and particularly want to express our appreciation to Mike Callaghan, Gil Champagne and Dick Davis for the many hours of work that were necessary to reach agreement on all these issues.

#### It is, therefore, my recommendation that:

(1) The City Council adopt the attached resolution reflecting approval of all technical changes and clarification of the Franchise Documents reported in this document.

- (2) Once approved by the Sacramento City Council and Board of Supervisors that the Commission adopt a similar resolution with the additional provision of recommending that the respective Public Works Departments meet with the cable franchisee to discuss front yard, underground construction.
- (3) Each of the legislative bodies recommend to the City Councils of Folsom and Galt that they not object during the next 30 days to the adoption of the Commission's amended resolution.

BOB SMITH, Executive Director Sacramento Metropolitan Cable

Television Commission

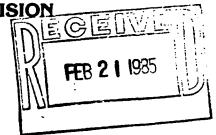
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February 20, 1985

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Dear Bob:

We are pleased with the progress which Scripps-Howard and the Commission have been able to achieve in bringing cable television to the residents of Sacramento City and County, Folsom and Galt. The recent signing of the trust grants is another indication of Scripps-Howard's commitment to the community and a major step in making cable a reality.

As you know, we have been conducting a comprehensive study of the design and operation of the Sacramento cable system. As a result of this study, we are proposing certain technical changes for evaluation and approval, as well as some clarifications in the franchise documents. With these in place, we have arranged our financing and are ready to begin construction in mid March.

- 1. Field-proven improvements in the bandwidth carrying capacity of coaxial cable have made it possible to carry as many as 62 video channels on a single 450 megahertz cable. A new technology is now planned for production that will expand the capacity to 77 channels at 550 megahertz. The system would be so designed and spaced that it would be capable of conversion to 550 megahertz when the need exists and 550 technology is proven reliable. These configurations will more than adequately support all services proposed in the franchise, as well as those that may be available in the foreseeable future.
- 2. This technical modification will make possible an alternate distribution technology. Originally, four essentially separate headends were proposed to serve the imposed area sequentially. The new method will place a single master headend in the downtown area, and distribute service via AML to a series of 7 hubs located throughout the service area. This modification will allow more areas to be served more quickly than we had proposed. For example, the City of Galt could receive service during the second year of construction.
- 3. The changes proposed above will enable us to reserve space on the single subscriber cable to provide

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12-16 megahertz of space for institutional use throughout the entire 3,000 mile system, effectively multiplying the reach of the I-Net by a factor of 4. In addition, we would propose building a separate I-Net of up to 200 miles as need and commercial practicability dictate.

- 4. These changes in the design and construction sequence of the system will necessitate changes in the Census Tract Progression Tables and in the schedules for access training and the opening of access and local origination facilities. The entire system would, of course, still be completed well within a four year construction period.
- 5. The drop cable to be used in the system from the tap to the subscriber's home should be changed from quad shield cable to 60% braid cable. Our studies have shown that 60% braid cable is less costly, but will be equally as effective as quad sheild in preventing ingress or egress in an environment like Sacramento's.

In addition to these technical changes, there are a few areas in the franchise where we would ask for clarification and confirmation:

- 1. The franchise calls for 24% of basic revenues to be spent on fees for the importation of distant signals. It is our understanding that this 24% applies to the \$2.00 rate, which equates to \$0.48 per subscriber per month throughout the franchise term.
- 2. The franchise gives us the right to use public easements. In underground construction areas, these easements generally run through the parkways. At the same time, the permitting authority requires us to build in the streets, a far more expensive method of placing underground cable and one not in normal use anywhere else in the country. We request the Commission to help us remove whatever impediments there are that prevent us from building in the parkways in areas where minimum disruption would be involved.
- 3. We have been photographing private parcels of property prior to construction. With the inspection and restoration standards we are working under, we see no need to continue this practice.
- 4. Our application called for a locally produced news program to be tested in the fifth year of the franchise, and to be

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> continued only if commercially practicable. The test should be done in terms of an evaluation of need and potential commercial success in advance of the startup of the program.

5. As provided for in the Ordinance, the Commission needs to subordinate its claim on the assets of the system to those of our lenders.

We are convinced that the requested technical changes and franchise clarifications are reasonable, technically and economically justifiable, and most importantly, will deliver the same high quality and quantity of services promised in the franchise. We look forward to your prompt evaluation and Commission approval so we can commence construction immediately.

Sincerely,

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Dear Bob:

This letter will provide our recommmendations in regard to the Sacramento Cable Television Alternative System Design Request of February 20, 1985. Subject to the stipulations and conditions which follow, it is our recommendation that the alternative system design for a 550 MHz single-cable system for Sacramento be approved.

# 550 MHz Plant Initially Activated To 450 MHz

Sacramento Cable Television (SCT) proposes a single-cable subscriber network with trunk and feeder amplifiers spaced for 550 MHz, but initially activated only to 450 MHz.

SCT has provided Hammett & Edison with amplifier specifications and calculations for various combinations of conventional push-pull, power-doubling, and feed-forward amplifier technologies. Based upon these technical specifications, and the stipulation by SCT that it will select as a minimum configuration a combination of active electronics meeting or exceeding a 46.7 dB carrier-to-noise ratio, a -57.8 dB cross-modulation ratio, and a -55.8 dB composite-triple-beat ratio at 550 MHz, the following technical performance is predicted at the most distant subscriber terminal:

	At 450 MHz	At 550 MHz (when activated)	Resolution Minimum
Carrier-to-noise ratio	47.9 dB	46.6 dB	45.4 dB
Cross-modulation ratio	-56.1	-55.9	-51.3
Composite-triple-beat ratio	-54.8	-54.0	-53.3

The above figures include the effects of the proposed AM microwave distribution system in the unfaded state. Because of the improved performance of power-doubling and feed-forward amplifiers, and the addition of two hubs to compensate for the reduced "reach" of a 550 MHz system compared to a 400 MHz system, it is possible to obtain an improvement in the net system performance.

#### Change to Master Hub Design

SCT now proposes a master hub design, utilizing AM microwave to distribute programs to six hubs. Five hubs would serve Sacramento City and County and Folsom, and a sixth hub would serve Galt. A single satellite receive-only facility would be installed at the downtown master hub, with microwave distribution of satellite signals to other hubs, as opposed to satellite receiving facilities at each hub. We have reviewed in detail the Hughes proposal for an 80-channel microwave system. We recommend accepting an all-AML microwave distribution system for the Sacramento system subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The Folsom and Galt paths must employ "space-combining" techniques to increase the effective transmit power, and must utilize at least 10-foot diameter transmit and receive antennas.
- 2. The Carmichael path, and any other path exceeding 10 miles, may be required to utilize space-combining techniques and 10-foot diameter transmit and receive antennas, if deemed necessary by Hammett & Edison.
- 3. A revised frequency coordination study must be performed, to correct for geographical coordinate errors in the initial study, and the apparent discrepancies in the frequency coordinator's data base for various broadcast microwave facilities in the 13 GHz band must be resolved to our satisfaction.
- 4. The frequency coordination study must successfully clear at least 53 six-MHz video channels plus spectrum for the FM broadcast band, and these channels be successfully licensed by the Federal Communications Commission. To this end, it is imperative that SCT immediately file for the cleared frequencies.
- 5. Each microwave receive site must employ hot-standby receiving facilities, with the appropriate switching capabilities. The master-hub must employ hot-standby equipment for those critical portions of the microwave transmitter which could cause a system-wide outage.
- 6. Tests must be conducted on the 20-mile Folsom path and the 24-mile Galt path for a summer period of up to three months, utilizing a strip chart recorder and the actual antennas which will be permanently installed, to verify that satisfactory path performance exists. In the event that

Hammett & Edison concludes that such tests reveal unacceptable reliability, SCT must agree to take mitigating measures, including installation of diversity receiving antennas, construction of a stand-alone headend or such other steps as deemed necessary by Hammett & Edison to insure satisfactory reliability.

#### Path Reliability Calculations

It is possible to estimate the reliability of a given microwave path if certain parameters are known. The model for estimating reliability due to multipath fading is based upon work by Barnett and Vigants of Bell Telephone Laboratories and considers frequency, path length, fade margin, intervening terrain, and climate. The fade margin is a measure by which the received signal, under normal (non-faded) conditions, exceeds the level necessary for a given signal-to-noise ratio. The model for estimating reliability due to rain attenuation is based upon the International Radio Consultative Committee (CCIR) model and Crane's model for effective path length. While these models for estimating reliability of a microwave system are in common usage, it should be realized that they are estimates.

For the Folsom microwave path a comparison has been made of the estimated reliability of the AM microwave system now proposed to the FM microwave system originally proposed, with the following results:

	Original Proposal	Present Proposal
Estimated reliability to 33.2 dB carrier-to-noise ratio ("signal outage" criteria)	>99.999% 0.01 hours/year 0.1 seconds/day	>99.999% 0.09 hours/year 0.9 seconds/day
Estimated reliability to 45.0 dB carrier-to-noise ratio	99.993% 0.65 hours/year 6.4 seconds/day	99.965% 3.3 hours 33 seconds/day
Estimated reliability to 45.4 dB carrier-to-noise ratio (Resolution minimum)	99.940% 5.3 hours/year 52 seconds/day	99.953% 4.1 hours/year 40 seconds/day

Some comments on the above numbers are appropriate. A fade margin of 40 dB or greater is considered desirable in a microwave system, and a system reliability figure of 99.99% is recommended by Electronics Industries Association Standard RS-250-B. While 99.99% reliability may appear to be extremely high, this still represents 53 minutes of outage per year, although the outage would not be expected to occur in a single 53-minute incident. Although the AM microwave system now proposed has an estimated reliability during deeper fades which is several times

worse than the originally-proposed FM microwave system, the AML system still exceeds the RS-250-B standard; it is our opinion that the difference is not significant. It is our judgment that, given the stipulations discussed above, the all-AML microwave distribution system is of comparable reliability to the microwave system originally proposed. Due to the use of high-power AML transmitters and space-combining techniques, the estimated reliability for the path to Galt improves over the original proposal.

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We wish to clearly state that on the longer microwave paths, there is a possibility of a propagation anomaly referred to as "beam bending", which is not considered in the multipath and rain attenuation models. Beam bending may occur when the microwave signal passes through relatively stagnant air with different refractive indices, causing the beam to be refracted, or bent, from the expected path. Because there is no recognized model for predicting this phenomenon, we are conditioning our recommendation on the inclusion of path tests for Folsom and Galt, to be conducted at appropriate seasons.

#### Tower Required for Galt

Because of the increased length of the path to Galt, the proposed receive antenna height on the Galt water tower will be insufficient to provide at least one Fresnel zone clearance. Accordingly, the Galt hub will require a tower of sufficient height to place the receive antenna at least 105 feet above ground level. Greater height would be required in the event space diversity reception is deemed necessary. The requirement for a tower at Galt may make it impractical to serve Galt during the second year of construction, as was suggested by SCT. It should likewise be noted that, if space-diversity reception is deemed necessary for Folsom, construction of a moderate height tower at the Folsom hub would probably be required.

## Adequate System Capacity at 450 MHz

The revised channel line-up submitted by SCT proposes carriage of 52 video channels. Three more channels should be considered as committed for Channel 29 in Sacramento and Channels 58 and 64 in Stockton, which hold FCC construction permits and would be entitled to mandatory carriage. Three additional video channels should be considered as reserved to meet the requirements for 20 MHz of institutional carriage on the subscriber network. Activation of the 550 MHz single-cable system to 450 MHz would provide a 60 video channel capability, and would accommodate the 52 immediately-needed video channels, the three channels reserved for future local television broadcast stations, and three channels for institutional use.

## Capability of Microwave System to Support 550 MHz Cable Distribution System

The Compucon frequency coordination study dated February 25, 1985, indicated that 53 video channels plus the FM broadcast spectrum could be licensed in Sacramento. Although this study must be redone to correct multiple errors in site

coordinates and power levels, we consider it likely that Community Antenna Relay Service (CARS) microwave frequencies to support at least 53 video channels plus the FM broadcast band can ultimately be obtained. In the event additional microwave frequencies for future channel expansion cannot be obtained when needed, up to 16 microwave channels could be made available by the following techniques:

- A. Utilize direct off-air pick-up at each hub of all local television stations. This could free up to nine microwave channels.
- B. Utilize direct off-air pick-up at each hub of all FM broadcast signals. This could free up to three microwave channels.
- C. Locally generate at each hub cable channel 14 (AP Sports News), cable channel 15 (AP Sports Scores), cable channel 29 (Channel Directory), and cable channel 44 (Financial News/Stock Reports/Local Time and Weather). This could free up to four microwave channels.

Assumning that at least 53 microwave channels have been licensed, by adopting the above techniques it would be possible to support up to a 69-channel cable system. Thus, it appears that there are immediately available sufficient microwave frequencies to support a fully-loaded 450 MHz, 60-channel, cable system. When system activation to 550 MHz, or 77 channels, is triggered, between 61 and 77 microwave channels would be required. Present FCC Rules for CARS microwave stations allow up to 71 six-MHz channels. It is conceivable that up to 80 channels would be possible with an FCC waiver, although we consider it unlikely that a waiver for the top nine channels of the E-Group CARS frequencies could be obtained.

We thus conclude that the SCT proposal to utilize all AML microwave for downstream distribution has a theoretical capacity to support a 77 channel cable system. Whether or not at least 61 microwave channels could be licensed at some future date, when the full 550 MHz capacity is needed, would depend on the state of the microwave spectrum at that future date.

Possible interference from mobile users. The 13 GHz CARS band is shared with the Television Auxiliary Broadcast Service. Because this service includes mobile users, it is possible that occasional interference may be received. We do not consider this to be a significant threat, and FCC Rule Section 74.602(f) requires TV pick-up stations using the 13 GHz band to protect community antenna relay stations.

#### Hub Return Interconnect Capacity

SCT has indicated to us that the alternative system design will utilize 30 MHz supertrunk returns from each hub (including Galt). While this represents much less return interconnect capacity than originally proposed, it is our judgment that this will still provide sufficient capacity to support the foreseeable return interconnect needs for the subscriber network.

Amplifier Pedestals. Conversion to a single-cable design would allow use of smaller amplifier pedestals and enclosures, but could require up to 17 percent more such pedestals, depending upon the ultimate amplifier configuration adopted. An equipment substitution request would be required for the smaller pedestals.

#### Equipment Substitution Requests

The SCT alternative system design request will require equivalency findings for all active electronics, set-top converters, and taps and directional couplers. Based upon the preliminary data for the 450 MHz and 550 MHz Magnavox and Scientific Atlanta electronics supplied to us, we do not anticipate difficulty in reaching an equivalency finding for these items.

In regard to the SCT proposal to substitute 60% braid drop cable for the quad shield drop cable originally bid, SCT has informally indicated to us that the reference to a simple 60% braid drop cable in its February 20 alternative system design request was in error. The reference should have been to a 67% braid-plus-foil drop cable. Provided SCT agrees to utilize only messengered cable for aerial drops, we believe a finding of equivalency could be made. Upon receipt of a specific drop cable equivalency request, we will make a detailed evaluation.

Sincerely,

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March 4, 1985

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Dear Mr. Smith:

In response to your request, Touche Ross & Co. has analyzed financial aspects of the proposed changes in Sacramento Cable Television's system design. Based on this analysis, we have three principal conclusions:

- Sacramento Cable's new financial projections reflect lower basic penetration and lower revenue per subscriber (non-inflated) than the projections submitted with the franchise proposal. The downward revisions appear warranted, based on the experience of urban cable markets since the original proposal.
- Given the new projections, some financial relief is necessary for Sacramento Cable to achieve financial health. The proposed system design changes will contribute materially. However, the projected rate of return remains low in comparison to expectations in the industry.
- The proposed changes in system design are sound economically, because they provide significant capital savings for Sacramento Cable, without cutbacks in the range of programming and services available to subscribers.

Each of these points is discussed below.

#### Revised Projections

The financial projections submitted with the franchise proposal of Cablevision of Sacramento (Sacramento Cable's predecessor) indicated an average basic penetration of 58.5% over the life of the franchise, and an average monthly revenue per subscriber of about \$36. In our review of the franchise proposals in 1983, we indicated that Cablevision's assumptions appeared relatively optimistic. We suggested, for example, that if basic penetration only reached 50%, there would be pressure on Cablevision to raise rates to earn a more acceptable rate of return.

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We stated in our 1983 report that it is difficult to project penetration and revenue accurately for a twenty-year period. This observation still applies. However, additional evidence has accumulated in the past eighteen months that underscores the relative optimism of Cablevision's original projections.

Cablevision's original proposal included a unique marketing approach of low basic rates and pay services packaging to induce multi-pay sales. Cablevision's Boston build was just underway at the time of the proposal, and the system's initial success was somewhat supportive of Cablevision's projections. The early experience in Boston showed 56% penetration and \$31 monthly revenue per subscriber.

However, the Boston system subsequently experienced a lower basic penetration rate and pay services disconnections (which have been typical of many urban systems), so that more recent results do not appear as favorable. The system reportedly had 43% basic penetration and about \$30 monthly revenue per subscriber in late 1984.

In fact, the marketing and financial results in almost all new-build urban cable systems have fallen well below the operator's franchise proposal projections. Exhibit 1 on the following page displays key market indicators for several urban systems. Many of these systems were still in the development phase and these data were generally not publicly available at the time of Cablevision's proposal in 1983.

The data in Exhibit 1 indicate the following:

- Basic penetration in many new-build urban systems is generally in the 30% to 45% range, with only a limited number of systems achieving 45% or better.
- The pay-to-basic ratio tends to stabilize under 2.0 in most systems (that is, an average of less than two pay services are sold for each basic subscriber).
- The average monthly revenue per subscriber is \$30 or slightly higher in some urban markets, but is under \$30 in most (at 1984 rates).

Sacramento Cable has now revised the original Cablevision projections downward to the following levels:

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EXHIBIT 1

KEY MARKET INDICATORS ON RECENT URBAN CABLE BUILDS\*

Franchise	Build Status	Basic Penetration	Pay-to- Basic Ratio	Monthly Revenue per Subscriber
Cincinatti (includes suburbs)	Nearly Complete	42%	1.8	\$30
Dallas	Nearly Complete	32%	1.8	<b>\$</b> 31
Denver	Nearly Complete	33%	1.9	\$27
Minneapolis	Mid-Build	34%	1.8	\$29
Multnomah County (Portland suburbs)	Mid-Build	44%	1.6	<b>\$</b> 26
Pittsburgh	Complete	46%	1.4	\$29
Portland	Complete	38%	1.3	\$27
Southwest Suburbs (Minneapolis	Complete	45%	1.6	\$27
Tucson	Mid-Build	39%	2.0	<b>\$</b> 30

<sup>\*</sup>As of late 1984. The information was compiled from various published sources, supplemented by inquiries to selected regulatory and company officials. The data shown are rounded.

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- Basic penetration at system maturity is projected at 48%.
- The projected pay-to-basic ratio is about 2.2 in the initial years, declining to about 1.7 later in the franchise term.
- The projected monthly revenue per subscriber is about \$31 (non-inflated). This projection reflects the lower pay-to-basic ratio, partially offset by somewhat higher initial rates than the original proposal.

These downward revisions appear warranted based on the recent experience of other urban cable systems.

#### Projected Financial Health

The financial success of a cable television operation is particularly sensitive to basic penetration, the pay-to-basic ratio, and the amount of monthly revenue per subscriber. Relatively small changes in any of these factors can have a significant impact on the profitability of a system.

One indicator of profitability is an internal rate of return measure which we described in our November, 1983 report on the franchise proposals. Cablevision's projected internal rate of return based on the proposal pro formas was about 17% for the twenty-year franchise term.\*

Sacramento Cable's new projections imply a twenty-year internal rate of return of approximately 7%, if no cost inflation and no increases from the initial rates are assumed (consistent with the assumptions established for the franchise proposals). These projections include capital savings associated with the changes in system design. Without the associated savings the rate of return would be approximately 2% lower.

<sup>\*</sup>A]] of the rate of return figures included in this report assume residual value of the system at the end of the franchise term.

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Sacramento Cable will have the ability to raise its rates in the future to improve profitability. The company's projections that are appended to this letter assume rate increases every two years. With these assumed increases (in excess of cost inflation), the projected return increases to about 13%. This projected return is comparatively low in relation to expectations in the industry. Sacramento Cable may, of course, earn a higher return if penetration should exceed the current projections.

The savings associated with the system redesign thus contribute materially to the potential financial health of the system, but will not create unreasonably high profits.

#### Economics of Changes in System Design

Cost savings associated with three changes in system design are reflected in the projections appended to this letter:

- A change from a dual 400 MHz system to a single 450 MHz cable, designed for an upgrade to a 550 MHz system. Sacramento Cable estimates about \$14.8 million savings associated with this change.
- Reconfiguration from four proposed headends to a single headend with AML distribution to seven hubs.
   Sacramento Cable estimates about \$2.2 million savings associated with this change.
- Elimination of the proposed 734 mile institutional network, with space on the residential network dedicated to institutional use, and future development of a smaller institutional network as commercial practicality dictates. Sacramento Cable estimates about \$3.5 million savings associated with this change.

Touche Ross & Co. cannot comment on the technical effects of these changes. From an economic standpoint, however, the changes generally preserve the range of programming and services originally proposed, and make business sense for the operator.

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Various industry studies published in the past eighteen months have indicated that dual cable is not necessary either to fulfill viewer preferences or to maximize revenues for the operator. The initial 450 MHz system will be able to accommodate the proposed broadcasting signals, a fully diverse spectrum of the satellite programming currently available, initial access and local origination requirements, and limited band-width for institutional uses. The capability to upgrade to 550 MHz provides the capacity necessary to accommodate new satellite services and expanded community or institutional uses in the future.

The revised plan for institutional services is also reasonable from an economic standpoint. While data on the profitability of the institutional services currently offered by cable operators nationally are difficult to obtain, it appears that there are very few currently profitable cable institutional networks. The common characteristic of the few systems that appear to be profitable is that they serve a dense concentration of high volume data users.

The most sound business approach to institutional network development is to construct the capacity when and where sufficient demand develops. Separate network capacity that is constructed well before it is appreciably used is uneconomical because of the accumulation of interest costs associated with construction financing. The revised plan provides capacity on the residential network for institutions who may wish to use the network in the near-term, while providing for longer term development of additional capacity as the demand develops.

In summary, the proposed changes in system design provide savings for Sacramento Cable that are reasonable in light of the current business outlook for cable in urban markets, while retaining the capacity necessary to serve residential and institutional needs.

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We appreciate this opportunity to assist the Commission to assess Sacramento Cable's request for franchise revisions. Should you have any questions regarding our report please contact Mr. Jay C. Smith at (503) 243-6333.

Very truly yours,

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# APPENDIX

# REVISED FINANCIAL PROJECTIONS OF SACRAMENTO CABLE TELEVISION

(March 1, 1985)

#### APPENDIX

#### REVISED FINANCIAL PROJECTIONS OF

#### SACRAMENTO CABLE TELEVISION

(March 1, 1985)

The projections in this appendix were compiled by Sacramento Cable Television. Touche Ross & Co. was not responsible for the compilation. Some of the assumptions included in the projections will not materialize and unanticipated events and circumstances may occur. Therefore, the actual results achieved during the projection period will vary from the projections.

Touche Ross & Co. did compare the revised projections to the projections included with Cablevision's franchise proposal. Several key assumptions have been revised from the original 1983 assumptions, including the following:

#### Market factors

- Homes passed has been decreased.
- Basic penetration has been decreased.
- Pay-to-basic penetration has been decreased.
- Rates have been increased.
- Revenue per subscriber has been decreased (non-inflated).

#### Capital expenditures

- Plant expenditure savings have been included to reflect the proposed changes in system design.
- Converter unit costs have been increased.

#### Operating expenses

- Staffing has been held constant, effectively increasing the ratio of staff per subscriber (because fewer subscribers are assumed).
- Unit costs for reconnections have been increased.
- Unit costs for converter maintenance have been increased.
- Sales commission rates have been increased.
- Billing costs have been increased.
- Bad debts allowance rate has been increased.

Sacramento Cable has presented supporting information for these revised assumptions, and we believe that the revisions are generally reasonable. However, to test the sensitivity of the revised projections to changes in cost assumptions from the 1983 assumptions, we applied a financial model we developed during the franchising process. This model retains Cablevision's original cost assumptions. We adjusted basic penetration, pay-to-basic penetration, rates, and plant expenditures to the revised levels, but left all other cost assumptions at the original level.

The results of this test indicate that the cost assumption revisions have relatively little impact on Sacramento Cable's projected rate of return. The primary factors causing the revised 1985 projection to be less profitable than the 1983 projections are the downward revisions in basic penetration, pay-to-basic penetration, and revenue per subscriber.

Sacramento Cable's revised projections appear on the following pages. These projections assume no cost inflation, but do assume rate increases every two years.

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#### SACROMENIO - FINANCIAL PRO-FORMA 6.1 ANTICIPATED SYSTEM GROWTH

DESCRIPTION	YR. 1	YR. 2	VR. 3	18. 4	1R. 5	YA. 6	YR. 7	YR. B	YR. 9	YR. 10	YR, 11	YR. 12	YA. 13	TR. 14	YR. 15	YA. 16	YR. 17	YR. 18	TR. 19	YR. 20
HOUSEHOLDS	375100	331100	337100	343100	347100	355100	361100	347100	373100	379100	385100	391100	397100	<b>4</b> 031 <b>0</b> 0	409100	415190	421190	427100	433100	439100
HOHES PASSED	54325	143485	222730	312120	120046	337538	343538	349538	355538	361530	347538	373538	379538	385530	391538	397530	403538	409538	415538	421530
ENDING SUBSCRIBERS AVG. SUBSCRIBERS	11808	44713	83744	124698	152078	159740	163458	144330	147218	172098	174978	177858	180738	183418	186498	187376	193698 197750	195138	178018	200878
AVG. SUBS DETAIL																				
BASIC DWLY FAMILY DWLY	145 145		6701 8376	9976 12470	7604 19769	7987 20766	0173 22984		8441 25383	9405 25815	8749 26247			9181 27543	9375 27975	9469 28407	9613 28839	9757 29271	9901 29703	10045 30133
FAMILY - 1 PAY FAMILY - 2 PAY	3306 590	12380 2711	23454 4188	34915 6235	56766 3041	59104 3195	67018 3769	48199 3327	7284 7284	70560 3442					3730	77445 37 <b>60</b>	78874 3845	3903	91187 3980	07348 4018
PACKAGE 1 PACKAGE 2 PACKAGE 3	4723 708 590	2653	33506 41 <b>88</b> 3351	49879 6233 4989	54264 6083 3041	59104 6390 3195	55576 4104 1635	4990		56792 5163 1721		5334	5422		61544 5575 1865	62495 5681 1874	63145 5768 1723	64396 5854 1951	65346 5741 1766	66796 6027 2009
GUIDES F.N. SECONDARY SETS RENOTES PAY PER VIEW	1181 59 3542 2064 0	221 13264 7737	14659	423 37409 21822	15207 760 39538 26617 15207	21955	817 42499 28405	832 43248 29109	846 43997 29613	840 44745 30117	875 43474 30671	689 46243	904 44992 31629	918 47741		18938 947 49238 33141 18938	19226 941 49987 33645 19226	19514 976 50736 34147 19514	19802 998 51485 34653 19802	35157
1 OF PENETRATION																				
END SUBS/HOMES PASSE AVE SUBS/HOMES PASSE AVE PAY/HOMES PASSED AVE PAY/AVE SUBS	9 21.7 18.3	1 30.8	2 37.6°	1 40.01 2 37.81	1 46.41 1 38.01	47.3 30.0	Z 67.6 Z 38.5	I 47.4 I 30.5	1 47.6 1 30.1	1 47.6 1 30.1	I 47.6 I 30.1	1 47.6 1 38.1	1 47.6 I 30.1	1 47.6 1 38.1	2 47.61 2 38.11	t 47.61 t 39.11	L 47.61	47. 61 30. 11	47, 71 38, 11	47.71 30.11
1 OF SERVICE LEVELS																				
BASIC ONLY FAMILY ONLY	8.0 8.0	1 0.0 1 0.0	I 8.0	1 8.01 1 10.01	2 5.01 2 13.01	5.0 13.0	1 5.0 1 14.0	1 5.0 1 14.0	L 5.0 L 15.0	1 5.0 1 15.0	1 5.0 1 15.0	1 5.0 1  5.0	1 5.0 1 15.0	I 5.0 I 15.0	1 5.01 I 15.01	E 5.0	L 5.01 L 15.01	5.01 15.01	5.01 15.01	5.01 15.01
FAMILY - 1 PAY FAMILY - 2 PAY		1 28.0 1 5.0				37.0	I 41.0 I 2.0	1 41.0 1 2.0	1 41.0 1 7.0	1 41.0 1 7.0	1 41.0 1 2.0	I 41.6 I 7.0	1 41.0 1 2.0	1 41.0 1 2.0	1 41.07 1 2.01	t 41.0°	1 41.01 1 2.01	41.01 2.01	41.01 2.01	41.61 2.01
PACKAGE 1 PACKAGE 2 PACKAGE 3	40.0 6.0 5.0	1 6.0	1 5.0	1 5.0	1 4.01	4.0	1 3.0	1 3.0	1 3.0	1 3.0	1 3.0	1 3.0	1 3.0	1 3.0	1 3.01	1.0		3.01	3.01	3.01
GUIDES F.H. SECONDARY SETS RENDIES PAY PER VIEW	10.6 0.5 30.6 17.5	1 10.0 1 8.5 1 30.0 1 17.5	1 17.5	1 30.0 1 17.5	1 76.0° 1 17.5°	L 26.0 L 17.5	1 26.0 1 17.5	1 17.5	1 26.0 1 17.5	I 26.0	1 26.0 1 17.5	1 26.0 1 17.5	1 17.5	1 26.0 1 17.5	1 26.01 1 17.51	I 26.0 I 17.5	1 76.01 1 17.51	74.01 17.51	26.01 17.51	10.01 0.51 74.01 17.51 10.01

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ASIC ONLY	2.0	2.0	4.0	4.0	6.0	6.0	8.0	0.0	10.0	10.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	16.0	16.0	16.0	14.0	
AKILY OMLY	10.0	10.0	17.0	17.0	14.0	14.0	16.0	16.0	18.0	18.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	22.0	27.0	72.0	24.0	24.0	24.0	24.0	
AMILY - 1 PAY	21.0	21.0	23.0	23.0	27.0	27.0	30.0	30.0	32.0	32.0	35.0	35.0	35.0	37.0	37.0	37.0	40.0	40.0	10.0	40.0	
MILT - 2 PAY	32.0	32.0	34.0	34.0	40.0	40.0	44.0	44.0	44.0	46.0	50.0	50.0	50.0	\$3.0	53.0	53.0	54.0	56.0	56.0	56.0	
ICKAGE 1	29.5	29.5	31.5	31.5	33.5	33.5	35.5	35.5	37.5	37.5	39.5	39.5	39.5	41.5	41.5	41.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	
ACKAGE 2	39.5	39.5	11.5	41.5	43.5	43.5	45.5	45.5 54.5	47.5 56.5	17.5 56.5	49.5 58.5	49.5 58.5	49.5 50.5	\$1.5 40.5	51.5 60.5	51.5 60.5	53.5 42.5	53.5 62.5	53.5 62.5	53.5 62.5	
ACKAGE 3	48.5	18.5	50.5	50.5	52.5	52.5	54.5	34.3	36. 3	<b></b>	30. 3	<b></b>	30.3	<b>6</b> V. J	SV. 3	<b>8</b> 0.3	•1.5	•4.3	64.3	•	
JICES	1.0	1.0	1.2	1.2	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.8 3.5	1.0 3.5	1.8	1.0	1.0 3.5	1.0	2.0 4.0	2.0 4.0	2.0	7.0	
.M. COMBARY SETS	2.0 4/10	2.0 A/10	2.0 6/10	2.0 4/10	3.0 8/12	3.0 8/12	3.0 8/12	3.0 8/12	3.0 0/12	3.0 B/12	0/12	9/12	9/12	10/14	10/14	10/14	10/14	10/14	10/14	10/14	
EMOTES	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	4.0	6.0	6.0	4.0	6.0	6.0	4.0	
AT PER VIEW		-	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	1.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	1.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	
EVENTS	●.0	0.0	5.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	17.0	17.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	
ISTALLATION	25.0	25.0	25.0	75.0	25.0	25.0	25.0	25.0	•		-				-	•	•		-	•	
OVERTISING	•	•	2.7	5.2	7.5	7.5	1.5	1.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	
EVENUE - AMIRIAL																					
000'S (MIT)																					
ASIC DILLY	19	85	322	479	547	575	785	198	1015	1033	1260	1281	1301	1542	1567	1591	1846	1873	1901	1929	217
ANILY CHLY	90	474	1204	1796	3321	3489	4394	4471	5483	5574	6299	6403	4507	7271	7385	1499	8304	8430	8554	8679	10550
ANILY - 1 PAY	461	3120	6473	9637	18230	19150		24551			30131	30427		33476		34474	-		38970		
AHILY - 2 PAY	180	849	1709	2544	1460	1534	1726	1757	1848	1900	2099	2134	2169	2334	2372	2409	2594	7622	2661	2790	3962
ACKAGE 1	1327	6261	12645	18854	22619		23675	24092	25129	25557	27370	27821	20271	30176			33110				
ACKAGE 2	267	1257	2086	3104	3175	3335	7677	2725	7893	2943	3118	3167	3221 1269	3404 1333	3457 1354	3511 1375	3703 1442	3758 1464	3814 1485	3849 1507	5940 287
ACKAGE 3	273	1297	2030	3023	1916	2013	1069	1088	1147	1167	1720	1240	1207	1333	1334	13/3	1442	1464	1463	1307	201
ULDES	- 11	53	121	180	274	288	294	299	305	310	378	384	340	397	402	409	41	468	475	482	636
, A.	1 33?	1433	10 2714	15 40 <b>4</b> 0	27 4745	79 4984	29 5100	30 51 <b>9</b> 0	30 52 <b>9</b> 0	31 5369	37 5459	37 5549	38 5439	P205	39 4400	40 6499	46 4598	47 6697	48 4796	48 6895	62 1020
ECONDARY SETS Emotes	90	219	528	786	1277	1342	1373	1397	1777	1807	1837	1848	1898	2314	2350	2388	2472	2459	2495	2531	331
NY PER VIEW	0	Ų	314	1172	1369	1438	1471	1497	1523	1549	1575	1801	1627	1453	1478	1704	1730	1756	1787	1808	271
STALLATION	<b>♦71</b>	1608	2196	7487	736	716	329	279	0	Ò	0	0	0	0	0	٥	0	0	0	•	90
DVER11S1ME	0	0	226	648	1141	1299	1.351	1388	1337	1366	1312	1333	1355	1377	1399	1420	1442	1464	1485	1507	220
THER		• • • • • •	50	135	250	400	400	450	450	450	150	450	450	450	450	450	450	450	450	450	7U 
DEAT BEAEMIE	3896	10061	32650	48850	61087	64551	68799	70612	14879	76153	92553	83905	85258	7202U	93452	14889	101994	1035 <b>05</b>	105027	106547	146661
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SACRAMENTO - FINANCIA 6.3 OPERATING ELPENSE		ORMA		MOTE:CO	SIS REP	RESENT	FRANCHI	SE APPL	.1CATIO	N UNLESS	FOOTING	ITED (*)	•								
DESCRIPTION	YR. 1	YR. 2	vii. 3	VA. 4	YA. 5	YA. 6	YR. 7	YR. 8	YR. 9	YR. 10	YR, 11	YR. 12	VR. 13	TR. 14	YP. 15	YR. 16	VR. 17	YA. 18	YR. 19	VR. 20	TOTAL
CATEGORY-PLANT																					
1000'S (H11)																					
SALANTES OVERTIME	374	955	1593	2238	3600	3817	3907	3994	1084	4174	4266	4355	4115	4535	4626	4714	1804	491	4183	5073	75447 0
EMPLOYEE BEMEFITS	19	249	414	582	938	992	1016	1039	1062	1084	1109	1133	1156	1179	1202	1226	1249	1272	1296	1319	19616
MAINT. BISTRIBUTION DROP MATERIALS MAINT, CONVERTERS	51	181 - 28	338 -	494 - 267	580 843 394	595 927 434	611 951 448	626 976 459	641 1600 471	656 1024 482	671 1949 493	487 1973 505	702 1097 516	717 1121 520	732 1146 539	747 1170 551	763 1194 567	779 1219 573	793 1243 584	908 1267 594	12172 17300 8390
POLE & SITE RENT	8	96	193	789	338	340	341	343	345		348	347	351	353	354	354	357	359	341	342	6107
MAINT. M.E.SMICROWAVE SYSTEM POWER SHOP UTILITIES	10 52 36	15 345 34	20 682 36	20 999 34	20 1173 34	20 1203 34	20 1734 36	20 1265 36	20 1276 36		20 1357 34	20 13 <b>00</b> 34	70 1418 36	20 1449 34	29 1480 34	29 1511 34	20 1541 34	20 1572 34	20 1603 36	20 1434 34	385 24548 720
VEHICLE ETPENSE	100	277	454	430	630	630	630	430	630		430	430	630	<b>&amp;30</b>	630	630	630	è30	<b>43</b> 0	430	11541
NAINT. COMPUTER RENT PROFESSIONAL SERV.	29 48	50 72	5 <b>6</b> 72	58 72	58 72	50 72	58 72	58 72	5 <b>6</b> 72	58 72	58 72	5 <b>0</b> 72	58 72	50 72	58 72	5 <b>6</b> 12	50 72	54 72	58 72	5 <b>8</b> 72	1131
OTHER	:	-	:	•	:	-	:		:	:		•	-	:	:			:	•	:	0
TOTAL PLANT	803	2331	4014	5685	8692	9126	9324	4570	9717	9912	10107	10306	10501	10678	10895	11091	11286	11484	11681	11975	179055

SACRAMENTO - FINANCIAL PRO-FORMA MOTE: COSTS REPRESENT FRANCHISE APPLICATION UNLESS FOOTMOTED (+)
6.3 OPERATING EXPENSES

CATEGORY-ORSINATION																					
(000'S CM(T)	-																				
SALARIES	1745	1765	1745	1765	1765	1765	1765	1765	1745	1765	1765	1765	1765	1765	1745	1765	1745	1745	1745	1765	35300
OVERTIME	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	600
EMPLOYEE BEMEFITS	188	168	188	198	188	188	188	188	188	188	188	100	188	100	180	188	188	186	100	188	3760
RENT	50	Sú	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	1000
MAINT-EQUIP.	25	75	25	25	75	75	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	75	25	75	25	25	500
VEHICLE-ETP.	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	420
COMMON CARRSER	12	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	468
LOCAL O MATERIALS:																					
TAPE STOCK	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	20	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	600
MISC. SUPPLIES	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	79	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	400
SATELLITE SIGNALS:																					
INDEPENDENTS	_		•	•	•	٠.	-		-	•	-	•	-		•	-	-	-	-	-	0
DINER	• 61	345	854	1271	1916	2012	2451	2475	2539	2501	2939	2700	3936	3084	3133	3749	3807	3863	3920	3978	51041
PAY CABLE	822	3515	4001	10307	12889	13620	14517	14723	15779	16068	17419	17704	17989	19416	19718	20022	21521	21840	22114	22401	309355
PROGRAM MATERIAL:																					
FILM SERVICE				-	-	-	•	-	-	•	-		•	-	-		•			-	0
OTHER-MON-AUTON.	-			-	-	-	-		-	•	-	-	-	-	-		-		•	-	0
AUTO. PROG.	125	125	125	125	125	125	125	125	125	125	125	125	125	125	125	125	125	125	175	125	2500
PROMOTION LOLACCESS	36	30	30	30	20	30	20	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	600
BLRECT GRANT-COM.	500	531	1005	1494	1825	1914	1961	1994	2030	2065	2071	2134	2168	2203	2238	2272	2307	2342	2376	2411	37075
DIRECT SRAWT-INSTIT			-			•		•			•••	-	•	-	•	••••	-	••••	••••	-	0
OTHER:																					
PROG. AQUIST.		100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	1900
MISCELL.	140	140	140	140	146	140	140	140	140	140	140	140	140	140	147,	140	140	140	140	140	2900
EUIDES	• 51	171	342	538	821	843	<b>DO</b> 3	878	913	929	1260	1201	1301	1322	1342	1704	1730	1756	1792	1976	21763
STAFF SUPPORT-COMM.	• 35	44	251	374	456	479	490	477	508	516	525	534	542	551	559	568	517	585	594	603	7290
TOTAL ORGINATION	3935	/184	11919	16544	20463	71448	27860	23169	24376	24717	26800	27199	27594	291.34	29548	30873	32500	52944	.13356	33859	480374
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· REFLECTS SUBSCRIBER, REVENUE ADJUSTMENTS

SACRAMENTO - FLHANCINE PRO-FORMA	NOTE: COSTS REPRESENT FRANCHISE APPLICATION UNLESS FOOTHOTED (+)
G. 3 OPERATING EXPENSES	

ATEGORY-6.S.A.																						
000'S 0#11)																						
ALARIES	,	58	749	1026	1344	1565	1632	1662	1692	1722	1752	1782	1812	1847	1072	1902	1932	1962	1992	2072	2054	32779
WERTINE		•	-	•	-	•	•	•	•		•	•	•		•			413	438	448	453	7210
MPLOYEE BENEFITS	1	01	165	226	296	344	359	344	372	379	386	392	399	403	412	417	475	432	478	445	452	7211
IGHT/HEAT/POWER		60	135	225	300	300	300	300	300	300	300	300	300	300	200	300	300	300	300	300	300	5520
ÆHICLE EIP.		12	27	4	61	41	61	41	41	61	61	41	61	61	41	61	61	61	61	61	41	117
ten3	1	20	270	150	900	800	₽00	600	P00	600	<b>F00</b>	100	<b>F00</b>	100	100	600	900	<b>600</b>	600	600	600	1104
RAVELBENT.		10	30	40	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	59	50	50	930
CHTRID./OUES/SUBS		5	12	20	27	21	27	27	27	27	27	27	27	21	27	27	27	27	27	27	27	496
PROFESS. SERV.		10	23	38	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	921
STATIONERY/SUPPLIES		5	10	20	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	20	30	20	30	30	30	30	30	54:
ILLINGEMATERN (	)	50	212	402	599	1075	1150	1177	1596	1624	1657	1679	1707	1735	1762	1790	1010	1945	1073	1900	1928	27594
POSTAGENFREIGHT		11	24	40	53	22	53	53	53	53	22	22	53	53	53	53	22	53	53	22	22	974
NOVERTISE NPROMOTION		45	1110	1721	2331	1528	1250	1277	1304	1331	1350	1385	1417	1437	1466	1493	1520	1547	1574	1601	1678	28740
ELEPHONE		80	180	300	400	400	400	100	400	400	400	400	400	400	490	400	400	100	400	400	400	7360
FFICE ESP.		5	10	20	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	20	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	543
145./ <b>\$0</b> 00116		10	40	47	90	70	90	90	90	70	90	90	90	90	90	90	70	70	90	90	90	1653
BAD DEDTS	,	36	589	1143	1709	2138	2259	2408	2450	2621	2665	2067	2937	3984	3221	3271	3321	3570	3423	3476	3729	52330
START-UP ETP.		•	-	•	-	•	-	•	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	•	•	-	•	•	•	•
PROPERTY TAKES		81	285	533	780	716	940	764	788	1012	1034	1040	1084	1108	1132	1154	1190	1204	1220	1256	1276	1971
RANCHISE FEES	۱ ۱	95	833	1633	2443	3054	3228	3440	3501	3744	3809	4120	4175	4263	1601	4673	4744	5100	5175	5751	5327	73334
COPYRIGHT FEES	1	60	254	352	523	<b>438</b>	671	687	699	71.1	123	135	747	759	771	783	795	<b>B</b> 07	820	832	844	1321
SERVICES PURCHASED		500				-	-	-	-	•	-	•	-	-	-	•	-	-	•	•	•	300
MBM1. FEES		32	543	1103	1450	2043	2180	2324	2345	2529	2572	2798	2834	2680	3100	3156	3205	3445	3496	3547	2240	4953
SALES COMMISSION		522	1124	1483	1860	583	472	483	494	504	515	526	537	548	558	567	590	59 I	607	615	620	1388
TRAINING		40	40	40	25	25	75	75	25	25	75	75	25	?5	25	25	25	25	25	25	75	541
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101AL 6.5.A.	••	226	7184	11428	15751		16357		17677	18393	10.03	10506	10000	21177	21110	21428	71374	22710	23612	22341	274.10	15055

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SACRAMENTO - FINANCIAL PRO-FORMA MOTE: COSTS REPRESENT FRANCHISE APPLICATION UNLESS FOOTMOTED (+)

6.4 ANTICIPATED CAPITAL EXPENDITURES - ORGINAL FRANCHISE MODEL

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ANTENNAS/TOWERS	209	184									209	184									78
REGIONAL INTERCON. NEAD END	4000	150 2350	650								4000	150 2300	650								30 1395
ARTH STATION	300	700									300	700									200
) I STRIBUTION	19905	26274	26291	26285	2707	2707	2707	2707	2707	2707	2792	2847	2864	2958	2707	2707	2707	2707	2707	2707	14260
PROPS •	1800	2822	4100	3964	960	900	900	900	900	900	850	850	850	850	850	850	850	850	850	850	2664
ONVERTERS	175	297	349	396	122	169	186	204	225	247	255	250	241	225	235	242	249	252	255	255	482
UILDING EASEHOLD IMP.															•						1
URN. 6 FIXTURES	465	465				200	200	200	200	130		200	200	200	200	130		200	200	200	339
OCAL O EQUIP.	597	250	250								597	250	250								219
IEST EQUIP./INVENT. PEHICLES	150	150	30	30							150	150	60								72( , (
PRE-OP ENG.	80	40									80	40									24
AY CABLE RELATED .	3600	4175	5400	4600	4000	3900	3900	3900	3900	3900	3900	3900	3900	3900	3900	3900	3900	3900	3900	3900	8027
AP11AL1ZED OVERHEAD																					
APITALIZED FRANCISE	1050	•••																			1050
CAPITALIZED GRANIS	321	550	550	600							321	550	550	600							404
OTAL CAPITAL		38407			7789	7876	7893	7911	7932		13454		9565	8633	7892	7829	7705	7909	7912	7912	28302
ULM. CAPITAL					152343															<b>283</b> 021	
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6.4A ANTICIPATED CAPITAL EXPENDITURES - REVISED FRANCHISE MODEL

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ANTENNAS/TONERS REGLONAL LUTERCON,	209	184 150									209	184 150									784 300
HEAD END .	2925	1275	625								4900	2300	650								1177
ARTH STATION	300	700									300	700									2000
ISTRIBUTION .	21368	23859	23320	11883	2707	2707	2707	2707	2107	2707	2792	2847	2864	2858	2707	2707	2707	2707	2707	2707	12427
ROPS • ONVERTERS	1800 175	2022 297	4100 349	3964 396	960 172	900 169	900 186	900 204	900 225	900 247	850 255	650 250	850 241	850 225	850 235	850 242	950 249	850 252	850 255	850 255	24646 4826
UILDING EASEHOLD IMP, URM.& FIXTURES AND	465	465				200	200	200	200	130		200	200	200	200	130		200	200	200	3390
OCAL O EQUIP.	597	250	250								597	250	250								2194
EST EQUIP./INVENT. EHICLES	150	150	30	30							150	150	60								720
RE-OP EMG.	80	40									80	40									240
AY CABLE RELATED +	3600	4175	5400	4600	4000	3900	3900	3900	3900	3900	3900	3900	3900	3900	3900	3900	3900	3900	3900	3900	80275
APITALIZED OVERHEAD APITALIZED FRANCISE APITALIZED GRANTS	1050 321	550	550	600							321	550	550	600							1050 4042
OTAL CAPITAL		34917		21473	7789	7076	7893	7911	7932	7684	13454		9565	8633	7992	7829	7705	7909	7912	7912	262521
CULM. CAPITAL	33040		102581	124054	131843	139719	147612	155523	163455	171339	184793	197164	206729	215362	223254	231083	23 <b>878</b> 8 :	246697 :	254609	262521	

<sup>.</sup> REFLECTS CAPITAL ADJUSTMENTS

SACRAMENTO - FINANCIAL PRO-FORMA

6.5 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - ORGINAL FRANCHISE MODEL

INCOME STATEMENT																					
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REVENUE	3896	16661	32650	48850	61087	64551	68799	70012	74879	76153	82553	83905	85258	92020	93452	94889	101994	103505	105027	106547	14666
OPERATING EXP. (NET)	7969	16699	27361	37980	45297	46931	49188	50366	52436	53312	56489	57385	58272	40951	61871	63700	66505	67465	68388	69412	101798
OPERATING INCOME	-4073	- 28	5289	10870	15790							26520								37135	44870
DEPRECIATION	1482	4671		_								15056							9835 1067		24528/ 19109
INTEREST (132)	1697	5090	03/3	11364	12777	12220	13337	1 2023	13/14	133/3	13317	13515	13700	17700	10/37	8984	4683	3726 			
PRE-TAT INCOME	-7252	-9799	-11190	-11938	-10780	-10008	-0510	-0716	-5916	-5456	-2362	-2051	-1311	3766	5736	7662	15710	20939	25727	28166	1231
INCOME TAX	3336	4508	5147	5491	4959	4604	3915	4009	2721	2510	1097	943					-7227				-546
116	2612	3073	3010	287ú	673	630	631	433	435	631	1076	990	765	691	631	626	616	633	633	<b>633</b>	2264
NET INCOME		-2218															9099				
CASH FLOW STATEMENT																					
	4477	-39	5299	10870	15790	17620	19611	19646	22443	22841	26064	26520	26986	31069	31501	31189	35489	36040	36629	37135	44870
CASH FLOW	-4073	•													14164	8984	6683	3726	1067	-	19109
INTEREST	1697	5090	B375					13685						12260	10759						
		5090	8375 37620		12999 7789	13330 7876		13685 7911				13515 12371		8633	7892	7029	1705	7909	7912		28302 500
INTEREST CAPITAL EXPEND.	1697 32652 5000 -43422	5090 38407	37620 	35875 	7789 -4998	7876 -3586	7893 -1819	7911	7932 	7894 1392	13454	12371	9565 4221	8633	7892  12930	7029 14376	7705 21101	7909 24405	7912 276 <b>5</b> 0	7912  29223	28302 500 
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REVENUE	2849	16661	32650	48850	61097	64551	68799	70012	74879	76153	82553	83905	85258	92020	93452	94889	101994	103505	105027	106547	1466688
OPERATING EXP. (NET)	7969	16699	27361	37980	45297	46931	49188	50366	52436			57305					66505				1017987
OPERATING INCOME	-4073	-38	5289	10870	15790	17620	19611	19646	22443					31069	31581	31189	35489	36040	36629	37135	448701
DEPRECIATION INTEREST (132)	1477 1712	4527 4984								13282 10665				13821 7428		13272 2716	11 <b>9</b> 58 485	10417	9355		224785 137304
PRE-TAT INCOME	-7262	-9549	-10435	-9868	-7550	-6631	-4973	-4992					4156				22946	25623	27274	28166	86612
INCOME TAX LTC	3341 2643	4393 2793	4800 2770	4539 1718	3473 623	3050 630	2288 631	2296 633	884 635	509	-1061 1076										-39841 21001
MET INCOME			-2865					-2063	-403	34	2321	2582		5994			13007		15361	15843	67772
CASH FLOW STATEMENT																					
CASH FLOW	-4073	-38 4984	5289		15790					22841		76520 9794	26986 8956	31069 7428		31189 2716		36040			44B701 137304
INTEREST CAPITAL EXPEND. OTHER	1712 33040 5000		34624		7789					10665 7884				8633	5257 78 <b>9</b> 2	7829			•	-	262521 5000
ENDING CASH	-43825						279														43876
EQUITY CONTRID. CUMUL. EQUITY	17560		48480			680 58760	58760	- 58760		- 58760		- 58760				58760	42260	14160	-14640	-43840	
DEBT CUMUL. DEBT	26340 26340	24000		12600	1800	1020	- 300	-300 87540	-3400		-2400			-15000			-10540	-	-	-	

# RESOLUTION NO.

ADOPTED BY THE SACRAMENTO CITY COUNCIL ON DATE OF

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO APPROVING AN ALTERNATE SYSTEM DESIGN FOR SACRAMENTO METROPOLITAN CABLE TELEVISION SYSTEM SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS AND MAKING CERTAIN CHANGES IN THE CABLE FRANCHISE RESOLUTION.

WHEREAS, this COUNCIL adopted its Resolution No. 83-920 on November 22, 1983 ("the Franchise Resolution") authorizing the SACRAMENTO METROPOLITAN CABLE TELEVISION COMMISSION ("the COMMISSION") to offer a cable television franchise to CABLEVISION OF SACRAMENTO; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to its Resolution No. 83-023, the COMMISSION did offer such a franchise and it was accepted; and

WHEREAS, the COMMISSION and this COUNCIL have from time to time amended certain provisions of the aforesaid Resolutions including approving a transfer of control of the franchisee and a change of name to SACRAMENTO CABLE TELEVISION ("the FRANCHISEE"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of Section II A 2 of the Franchise Resolution, as amended (<u>Alternative System Design</u>), the FRANCHISEE has submitted a proposed revision of the design of the system, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as Exhibit "A"; and

WHEREAS, the COMMISSION has retained an engineer to study, evaluate and analyze the proposed revision of the design; and

WHEREAS, the engineer has reported to the COMMISSION and this COUNCIL on the matter of the proposed revision's equality to or superiority to the original design contained in the Application, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as Exhibit "B"; and

WHEREAS, the COUNCIL and the COMMISSION fund it appropriate to amend certain provisions of the Franchise Resolution in order to clarify the rights, duties, and obligations of the COMMISSION, the COUNTY, the CITIES, and the FRANCHISEE; and

WHEREAS, the COMMISSION and this COUNCIL have conducted a properly noticed public hearing to receive additional evidence concerning the proposed amendments to the Franchise Resolution and revision of the design; and

WHEREAS, the COMMISSION and this COUNCIL have duly considered the proposed revision of the design, together with the report, evaluation and analysis of the COMMISSION's engineer and such other and additional evidence as has come before it in the noticed public hearing; and

WHEREAS, this COUNCIL desires to adopt certain amendments to the Franchise Resolution and to approve the proposed revision of the design upon the terms and subject to the conditions hereinafter set forth:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO THAT:

- Subparagraph b. (1) of Section II A 2 of the Franchise Resolution is hereby amended and restated to read as follows:
  - "(1) A certification by the Chief Executive Officer of the Franchisee stating in clear and unequivocal terms that, to the best of his knowledge and belief, the proposed revision of the design is in all aspects, including but not limited to quality, anticipated useful life and performance characteristics, equal to or superior to the design set forth in the Application in that:
    - a. the quality and performance characteristics of each aspect of the signal under the proposed system design, as delivered to the ultimate user, will be least the same quality and performance characteristics (including without limitation consideration of its strength, definition, integrity and discreteness) as the corresponding aspect of the signal which would have been so delivered under the design specified in the Application; and
    - b. the reliability of each aspect of the signal under the proposed system design, as delivered to the ultimate user, will be of at least the same degree of reliability (including without limitation consideration of the influence of atmospheric, topographic and competitive signal factors which may reasonably be anticipated to be found within the

franchise area or any portion of it during the franchise term) as the corresponding aspect of the signal which would have been so delivered under the design specified in the Application; and

- c. the capacity of the system will be such as to be capable of delivery of such volumes of programming and other services to the community, as to both existing and reasonably foreseeable future programming and services, as the COUNTY and the CITY acting jointly have determined is necessary, appropriate and in the best interests of the Sacramento community; and"
- 2. This COUNCIL finds and determines, based upon all of the evidence presented and available to it, that the FRANCHISEE has shown by clear and convincing evidence that the proposed revision of the design, in its ultimate configuration, is in all aspects, including but not limited to quality, anticipated useful life and performance characteristics, equal to or superior to the design set forth in the Application in that:
  - a. the quality and performance characteristics of each aspect of the signal under the proposed system design, as delivered to the ultimate user, will be of at least the same quality and performance characteristics (including without limitation consideration of its strength, definition, integrity and discreteness) as the corresponding aspect of the signal which would have been so delivered under the design specified in the Application; and
  - b. the reliability of each aspect of the signal under the proposed system design, as delivered to the ultimate user, will be of at least the same degree of reliability (including without limitation consideration of the influence of atmospheric, topographic and competitive signal factors which may reasonably be anticipated to be found within the franchise area or any portion of it during the franchise term) as the corresponding aspect of the signal which would have been so delivered under the design specified in the Application; and
  - c. the capacity of the system will be such as to be capable of delivery of such volumes of programming and other services to the community, as to both existing and reasonably foreseeable future programming and services, as this COUNCIL has determined is necessary, appropriate

and in the best interests of the Sacramento community.

- This COUNCIL hereby approves the FRANCHISEE's proposed revision of the design of the system as set forth in the attached Exhibit "A", and hereby incorporates such revision into the Franchise Resolution and, to the extent that it is expressly inconsistent with the design of the system as set forth in the Application, the provisions of Exhibit "A" hereto shall prevail over the terms of the Application and the Franchise Resolution, PROVIDED THAT the foregoing approval shall in no way operate to relieve the FRANCHISEE to any degree whatsoever of its obligation to meet and comply strictly with each and every technical test, review and specification as set forth in the Franchise Resolution including without limitation signal testing, Communications Commission standards, technical standards and equipment substitution procedures, unless such technical test, review or specification is expressly altered, amended or deleted herein.
- This COUNCIL hereby expressly finds and determines that it would not have approved the temporary use of a four hundred fifty (450) megahertz system as set forth in Exhibit "A" but for the assurance of the FRANCHISEE of the installation of a five hundred fifty (550) megahertz system as soon as it is, in the judgement of this COUNCIL and as hereinafter provided, reliable in accordance with the terms hereof. Accordingly, by the filing of a Certificate of Acknowledgement and Undertaking hereto as required by Paragraph 21 d. of this Resolution below, the FRANCHISEE, the named owners thereof and SCRIPPS HOWARD BROADCASTING COMPANY do hereby agree to accomplish the purposes hereof and to require the installation of the five hundred fifty (550) megahertz system described in Exhibit "A" hereto in accordance with Section VI E hereof, or such other system design as may be from time to time approved by the COUNTY and the CITY acting jointly pursuant to Sections II A 2 and VI E 24 of the Franchise Resolution.
- 5. Section VI A 1 of the Franchise Resolution is hereby amended and restated to read as follows:
  - \*1. Subscriber Network. The Subscriber Network shall:
    - a. Consist of one cable with a frequency spectrum of 5-550 megahertz with:
      - (1) at least four (4) six (6) megahertz channels upstream within a frequency spectrum

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of 5-30 megahertz; and

(2) at least seventy-seven (77) six (6) megahertz video channels downstream within a frequency spectrum of 50-550 megahertz, provided that pursuant to the provisions of Paragraph 19 of this Section VI below, the FRANCHISEE may initially activate the system to four hundred fifty (450) megahertz.

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6. The second paragraph of Section VI B 3 of the Franchise Resolution is hereby amended and restated to read as follows:

"The FRANCHISEE shall utilize the Subscriber Network Cable to provide Home Entertainment; Educational; and Home Non-Entertainment Services in four tiers or packages as follows:

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- 7. Section VI of the Franchise Resolution is hereby amended by adding a new Section E thereto after the existing Section D as follows:
  - "E. TEMPORARY ACTIVATION OF SYSTEM AND CONDITIONS UPON ULTIMATE ACTIVATION
    - The Upgrade Order. The FRANCHISEE shall be permitted initially to activate the system only to four hundred fifty (450) megahertz, providing thereby not less than sixty-two (62) video channels. COMMISSION may meet from time to time to consider the need for additional spectrum capacity beyond the capability of the system at four hundred fifty (450) megahertz. The COMMISSION shall give the FRANCHISEE written notice of the time, date, place, and purpose of any such meeting in accordance Section 5.50.024 of the Ordinance. The with FRANCHISEE shall be permitted at such meeting to address all matters which are the subject of such notice. If the COMMISSION determines, in accordance with the foregoing provisions and in its sole discretion, that there is a need for additional spectrum capacity, the COMMISSION shall issue and to the FRANCHISEE the upgrade order as mail hereinafter defined. It is the intention of the

COUNTY and the CITY acting jointly, the COMMISSION, the FRANCHISEE, and the named owners thereof to upgrade the system to its ultimate activation level of five hundred fifty (550) megahertz at the earliest possible date, but in no event more three hundred sixty-five (365) days after the issuance by the COMMISSION of an order (the "upgrade order") to the FRANCHISEE to upgrade the system to its ultimate activation level of five hundred fifty (550) megahertz, subject to the right of the FRANCHISEE to establish non-reliability pursuant to Paragraph 21 below.

- 20. Franchisee's Establishment of Non-reliability. The COMMISSION may at any time during the term of the franchise and in its sole discretion, but not more than once within any twenty-four (24) consecutive months during such term, after notice to the FRANCHISEE pursuant to Section 5.50.024 of the Ordinance, issue an upgrade order to the FRANCHISEE causing the upgrade of the system to its ultimate activation level of five hundred fifty (550) megahertz, subject ONLY to the right of the FRANCHISEE to establish non-reliability pursuant to Paragraph 21 below.
- 21. Non-Reliability Defined. Upon the issuance of an upgrade order by the COMMISSION pursuant to Paragraphs 19 and 20 above, the FRANCHISEE may forestall the application of its obligation to upgrade the level of activation of the system to five hundred fifty (550) megahertz ONLY by establishing, at a hearing to be held within ninety (90) days after the issuance of such an order, by clear and convincing evidence that one or more of the following conditions have been met and continue to exist:
  - a. The mean time to failure for a five hundred fifty (550) megahertz amplifier manufactured by the manufacturer of the FRANCHISEE's four hundred fifty (450) megahertz amplifiers (the "FRANCHISEE's manufacturer") is LESS than the mean time to failure for any four hundred fifty (450) megahertz amplifier theretofore installed by the FRANCHISEE in the system. The "mean time to failure" for amplifiers of FRANCHISEE's manufacturer shall be determined only by

reference to published statistics of FRANCHISEE's manufacturer available to the cable industry generally.

- The average number of service calls related to system failure per plant mile in all five hundred fifty: (550) megahertz systems throughout the country shall be MORE THAN the average number of service calls related to system failure per plant mile in all four hundred fifty (450) megahertz systems throughout the country, when the maximum statistical inaccuracy derived from the applicable sampling technique is assumed and excluded from consideration. The "average number of service calls related to system failure... throughout the country" shall be determined only by reference to published figures, generally accepted within the cable industry, and based upon generally accepted statistical sampling techniques.
- c. The FRANCHISEE's manufacturer has not installed MORE than three thousand (3,000) miles of five hundred fifty (550) megahertz system plant which has been operating for at least twenty-four (24) consecutive months.
- d. The FRANCHISEE's manufacturer has not installed at least one system with at least eight hundred (800) miles of five hundred fifty (550) megahertz system plant which has been operating for at least twenty-four (24) consecutive months.
- e. The FRANCHISEE's manufacturer is unable to guarantee that the FRANCHISEE's manufacturer can deliver as a standard production item five hundred fifty (550) megahertz amplifiers which meet the reliability standard set forth in subparagraph a. above (provided that such data is available), meaning that FRANCHISEE's manufacturer can deliver at least five thousand (5,000) such five hundred fifty (550) megahertz amplifiers per month for a period of at least twenty four (24) consecutive months.
- f. The installation of five hundred fifty (550)

megahertz amplifiers would require a complete replacement of the then existing amplifier housings.

- <u>Disputes Regarding Reliability.</u> Upon receipt of notice from the FRANCHISEE that the FRANCHISEE asserts the non-reliability f a five hundred fifty (550) megahertz system, the COMMISSION shall establish a hearing for the purpose of receiving the FRANCHISEE's evidence of non-reliability referred to Paragraph 21 above. Upon receipt of such evidence, if the COMMISSION finds and determines that the FRANCHISEE has established by clear and convincing evidence that a five hundred fifty (550) megahertz system is not reliable pursuant to the provisions of Paragraph 21 above, the upgrade order shall forthwith be null and void. If the COMMISSION finds and dertermines that the FRANCHISEE has NOT established by clear and convincing evidence that a five hundred fifty (550) megahertz system is not reliable pursuant to the provisions of Paragraph 21 above, the COMMISSION shall thereupon issue an order confirming its upgrade order and its finding of the the FRANCHISEE's establishment lack of non-reliability (the "reliability order"). Thereupon, the FRANCHISEE shall have thirty (30) days to give written notice to the COMMISSION that the FRANCHISEE is submitting the matter of the COMMISSION's reliability order to arbitration pursuant to the provisions of Paragraph 23 below. If the FRANCHISEE fails to give such a notice in a timely fashion, the COMMISSION's reliability order shall become final and binding upon the FRANCHISEE.
  - 23. Arbitration Proceedings. With respect to any arbitration proceeding conducted pursuant to the provisions of Paragraph 22 of this Section VI, the arbitration panel shall be selected, the hearing scheduled within the time prescribed, notice given, the hearing conducted, decision made and costs divided in the manner prescribed by Sections 5.50.830 through 5.50.840, inclusive, of the Ordinance. The questions which may be submitted to the arbitration panel and the jurisdiction of the arbitration panel shall be limited to the following:
    - a. The interpretation of the provisions of the Franchise Documents solely in relation to the

decision required by b. below; and

b. Whether or not the FRANCHISEE established before the COMMISSION by clear and convincing evidence that a five hundred fifty (550) megahertz system is not reliable under one or mone of the tests set forth in Paragraph 21 above.

The determination of the arbitration panel shall be final, binding and conclusive upon the parties, and shall not be subject to judicial review or vacation except on the grounds set forth in Section 1286.2 of the Code of Civil Procedure.

- 24. Alternative Technology . Notwithstanding the provisions of this Section E of this Section VI, the FRANCHISEE may apply at any time under the provisions of Section II A 2 of this Resolution for a revision of the design of the system to accomplish the purposes hereof by means of alternative technology. Nothing is this Paragraph shall be construed to limit or diminish the discretion of the COUNTY and the CITY acting jointly under the aforementioned section in its consideration of such a proposed alternative system design."
- 8. Section II A 6 a. of the Franchise Resolution is hereby amended by deleting therefrom the first sentence thereof.
- 9. Section III of the Franchise Resolution is hereby amended by deleting therefrom Paragraph 8 thereof.
- 10. Section VI A 2 of the Franchise Resolution is hereby amended and restated to read as follows:
  - "2. <u>Institutional Usage of Subscriber Network and Institutional Network.</u>
    - a. <u>Institutional Usage of Subscriber Network.</u> The FRANCHISEE shall utilize up to twenty (20) megahertz of the Subscriber Network for institutional uses until such time as the Institutional Network is constructed pursuant to subparagraph b. hereof. Subsequent to the construction of the Institutional Network, the FRANCHISEE may, but shall not be required to utilize the aforementioned portion of the Subscriber Network for institutional services.

- b. <u>Institutional Network.</u> The FRANCHISEE shall, from time to time hereafter, as required below, immediately begin construction of an Institutional Network, consisting of one (1) institutional cable which shall cover approximately two hundred (200) miles within the Imposed Service Area and with at least forty-nine (49) six (6) megahertz video channels within a frequency spectrum of 30-400 megahertz, at such time as the institutional usage of the Subscriber Network results in either of the following conditions:
  - (1) For a period of at least thirty (30) days, at least ninety percent (90%) of the FRANCHISEE's data channels on the Subscriber Network which may be utilized for institutional purposes pursuant to subparagraph a. above are utilized between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on business days Monday through Friday, or
  - (2) A bona fide contract for the utilization of institutional services at commercially reasonable rates has been offered to the FRANCHISEE and, if accepted, when added to the then existing institutional usage of the Subscriber Network, the total of such existing and additional Institutional usage would exceed the twenty (20) megahertz band of the Subscriber Network which may be utilized for institutional purposes pursuant to subparagraph a above.

In the event of the occurence of condition (1) or (2) above, the FRANCHISEE shall construct a segment of the Institutional Network as may be necessary to relieve conditions (1) and (2) above, as the case may be, but in no event less than forty (40) miles or such less distance as the COMMISSION may in its sole discretion approve. Notwithstanding the foregoing sentence, the FRANCHISEE shall, upon the occurence of condition (1) or (2) above, construct such first segment of the Institutional Network capable of delivery of all of the then existing institutional usage of the Subscriber Network. After construction of the first segment of the Institutional Network, the FRANCHISEE shall not

thereafter, without the further express permission of the COMMISSION, utilize any additional portion of the Subscriber Network for institutional usage.

Nothing contained in this Paragraph 2 shall be deemed or construed to reduce or dimish to any extent whatsoever the obligations of the FRANCHISEE to make available certain spectrum space to the Sacramento County Corporation for Educational Telecommunications (SCCET), also known as the Educational Consortium, for institutional usages pursuant to the Application or any contract by and between the FRANCHISEE and SCCET which may now or hereafter exist."

11. Section VI D 14 of the Franchise Resolution is hereby amended by adding the following sentence to the end thereof:

"The foregoing obligation shall be subject, in all respects, to the provisions of Paragraph A 2 of this Section VI."

- 12. Section V A 10 a. of the Franchise Resolution is hereby amended by deleting therefrom the words "...twentieth (20th)..." and substituting therefor the words "...twenty-sixth (26th)...".
- 13. Subparagraph a. of Section V B 17 of the Franchise Resolution is hereby amended by deleting therefrom the words "...commencement of the second year..." and substituting therefor the words "...twenty-sixth (26th) month...".
- 14. Paragraph 1 of Section III of the Franchise Resolution is hereby amended by adding a new subparagraph c. thereto after the existing subparagraph b. as follows:
  - "c. The FRANCHISEE shall, within sixty (60) days after the notification by the COMMISSION of the approval of an Alternative System Design pursuant to Section II A 2 of this Resolution, submit a revised Construction Activation Table and a revised Census Tract Progression Table which (i) take into account the effect of the alternative system design and (ii) provide for the completion of the system within the times set forth in Section 5.50.410 of the Ordinance. Thereafter, all references in this Resolution to the Construction Activation Table or the Census Tract Progression Table shall be deemed to have

reference to the revised tables, as applicable, and the FRANCHISEE shall continue to be bound by the terms of this Section III as such terms then apply to such revised tables.

- 15. Subparagraph d. (1) of Section VI B 4 of the Franchise Resolution is hereby amended and restated to read as follows:
  - **"**(1) During each year of the franchise, the Franchisee shall be expressly permitted to reduce the number of distant channels cablecast upon the system to the extent, and only to the extent, that, in the next preceding franchise year, the actual expenditures for copyright fees on distant signal channels shall not have averaged less than an amount equal to the lesser of: (1) 24.778% of the Basic Service Revenues of the system as determined herein, or (2) five dollars and ninety-five cents (\$5.95) for each person and/or entity who has been a subscriber to some or all of the home entertainment, educational and non-entertainment services contained within the home Basic tier as defined by Paragraph B 3 a of Section VI of this Resolution during the franchise year. To the extent that such expenditures in any year shall be less than the aforementioned amount, the amount of the difference shall be set aside in a copyright fee reserve. When the level of funds in such reserve added to the aforementioned amount shall be sufficient to pay the copyright fees for an additional distant signal channel, said channel shall be restored to the system until said copyright fee reserve shall be exhausted."
- 16A. Subparagraph b. of Paragraph 8 of Section IV of the Franchise Resolution hereby amended by deleting therefrom the second full sentence thereof and substituting in lieu thereof as follows:
  - "At all times during the term of the franchise that the Franchisee is obligated to provide 'The Sacramento Channel', the Franchisee shall employ personnel to be utilized by such channel in such numbers and in such functional categories as may be necessary to achieve all of the quantitative and qualitative performances required of the Franchisee pursuant to this subparagraph b. and subparagraphs c. and d. of this Paragraph 8 of this Resolution."
- 16B. Subparagraph (b) of Paragraph 20 of Section V C of the Franchise Resolution is hereby amended by deleting therefrom

the second full sentence thereof.

- 17. Subparagraphs e, f, and g of Paragraph 8 of Section IV of the Franchise Resolution are hereby deleted in their entirety.
- 18. Paragraph 8 of Section IV of the Franchise Resolution is hereby amended by adding a new subparagraph e. thereto as follows:
  - "e. Notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraph b. above, the Franchisee may initiate a determination of the economic feasibility of The Sacramento Channel in advance of its activation, by filing with the Commission, not less than ninety (90) days in advance of the date upon which it reasonably anticipates having obtained one hundred thousand (100,000) subscribers and in any event on or before the date upon which it obtains eighty an application for (80,000) thousand subscribers, pre-activation economic feasibility determination. Thereupon, the Commission shall select and retain an expert which shall be one of the so-called 'Big Eight' accounting firms, the cost of which shall be borne entirely by the Franchisee without consideration of any other amounts paid by Franchisee to the Commission under the Franchise Documents, for the purpose of estimating, by such means and techniques as said experts shall deem advisable, the 'Revenues' reasonably anticipated to be derived and the 'Costs' reasonably anticipated to be incurred (as those terms are defined in subparagraph b. during the first year of operation of the above) Sacramento Channel. The report of the aforesaid experts shall be submitted jointly to the Franchisee and to the Commission within sixty (60) days after submission of the application by the Franchisee. Upon submission of the report of the estimation of Revenues and Costs, the Franchisee may reduce, pursuant to subparagraph b. above, (i) the hours per day, and/or (ii) the days per week, and/or (iii) the number or types of personnel required by this paragraph to the extent required to prevent Costs from exceeding Revenues, provided that, if the aforesaid study should result in the complete elimination of the Sacramento Channel, the Commission shall be entitled to, but not required to, similarly retain such experts (at the expense of the Franchisee) at intervals of not less than every three (3) years thereafter for the balance of the franchise term for the purpose of determining whether a change in circumstances within the market would enable the introduction of the Sacramento Channel."

- 19. Paragraph 20 of Section V of the Franchise Resolution is hereby amended by adding thereto a new subparagraph (c) as follows:
  - (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraph (b) above, the Franchisee may initiate a determination of the economic feasibility of The Sacramento Channel in advance its activation, by filing with the Commission, not less than ninety (90) days in advance of the date upon it reasonably anticipates having obtained one hundred thousand (100,000) subscribers and in any event on or before the date upon which it obtains eighty 00) subscribers, an application for economic feasibility determination. thousand (80,000) pre-activation Thereupon, the Commission shall select and retain an expert which shall be one of the so-called 'Big Eight' accounting firms, the cost of which shall be borne entirely by the Franchisee without consideration of any other amounts paid by Franchisee to the Commission under the Franchise Documents, for the purpose of estimating, by such means and techniques as said experts shall deem advisable, the 'Revenues' reasonably anticipated to be derived and the 'Costs' reasonably anticipated to be incurred (as those terms are defined in subparagraph (b) above) during the first year of operation of the Sacramento Channel. The report of the aforesaid experts shall be submitted jointly to the Franchisee and to the Commission within sixty (60) days after submission of the application by the Franchisee. Upon submission of the report of the estimation of Revenues and Costs, the Franchisee may reduce, pursuant to subparagraph (b) above, (i) the hours per day, and/or (ii) the days per week, and/or (iii) the number or types of personnel required by this paragraph to the extent required to prevent Costs from exceeding Revenues, provided that, if aforesaid study should result in the complete elimination of the Sacramento Channel, the Commission shall be entitled to, but not required to, similarly retain such experts (at the expense of the Franchisee) at intervals of not less than every three (3) years thereafter for the balance of the franchise term for the purpose of determining whether a change in circumstances within the market would enable the introduction of the Sacramento Channel."
- 20. Section III of the Franchise Resolution is hereby amended by adding thereto a new Paragraph 8 as follows:

- "8. Burden of Proof in Construction Disputes . the FRANCHISEE should in the course of the construction of the system elect to place underground cable plant in the public utility easement in front yards upon private property where there was, at the time of the FRANCHISEE's election, space available for the installation of such plant at the lip of the curb of the gutter within the public roadway, or (ii) the FRANCHISEE should fail, neglect or refuse to take pre-construction photography of the condition of any private property upon which underground construction is to occur, the FRANCHISEE shall have the burden of proof as to the condition of the property prior to the initiation of such private construction in any subsequent complaint resolution, arbitration or judicial procedure between the FRANCHISEE and the private property owner. It is expressly agreed by the parties hereto that the private property owner is the intended third party beneficiary of the FRANCHISEE's contractual obligations and promises under this Paragraph 8."
- 21. The provisions of this Resolution shall not be effective for any purpose unless and until:
  - a. The Board of Directors of the COMMISSION adopts a Resolution amending its Resolution 83-023, adopted on November 22, 1983, to include provisions identical to the amendments made to Resolution No. 83-920 of this COUNCIL by this Resolution; and
  - b. The Board of Supervisors of the COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO adopts a Resolution amending its Resolution No. 83-1450, adopted November 22, 1983, to include provisions identical to the amendments made to Resolution No. 83-920 of this COUNCIL by the adoption of this Resolution; and
  - c. The City Council of the City of Folsom and the City Council of the City of Galt have each adopted a Resolution approving the adoption of this Resolution within thirty (30) days from the date hereof; and
  - d. The FRANCHISEE, the named owners thereof and SCRIPPS-HOWARD BROADCASTING COMPANY have approved, accepted and agreed to the provisions of this Resolution for themselves, their successors, assigns and guarantors by submitting a Certificate of Acknowledgement and Undertaking in a form identical to that attached as

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# RESOLUTION NO. 85-196

ADOPTED BY THE SACRAMENTO CITY COUNCIL ON DATE OF

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OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO APPROVING AN ALTERNATE SYSTEM DESIGN FOR SACRAMENTO METROPOLITAN CABLE TELEVISION SYSTEM SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS AND MAKING CERTAIN CHANGES IN THE CABLE FRANCHISE RESOLUTION.

WHEREAS, this COUNCIL adopted its Resolution No. 83-920 on November 22, 1983 ("the Franchise Resolution") authorizing the SACRAMENTO METROPOLITAN CABLE TELEVISION COMMISSION ("the COMMISSION") to offer a cable television franchise to CABLEVISION OF SACRAMENTO; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to its Resolution No. 83-023, the COMMISSION did offer such a franchise and it was accepted; and

WHEREAS, the COMMISSION and this COUNCIL have from time to time amended certain provisions of the aforesaid Resolutions including approving a transfer of control of the franchisee and a change of name to SACRAMENTO CABLE TELEVISION ("the FRANCHISEE"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of Section II A 2 of the Franchise Resolution, as amended ( <u>Alternative System Design</u> ), the FRANCHISEE has submitted a proposed revision of the design of the system, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as Exhibit "A"; and

WHEREAS, the COMMISSION has retained an engineer to study, evaluate and analyze the proposed revision of the design; and

WHEREAS, the engineer has reported to the COMMISSION and this COUNCIL on the matter of the proposed revision's equality to or superiority to the original design contained in the Application, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as Exhibit "B"; and

WHEREAS, the COUNCIL and the COMMISSION find it appropriate to amend certain provisions of the Franchise Resolution in order to clarify the rights, duties, and obligations of the COMMISSION, the COUNTY, the CITIES, and the FRANCHISEE; and

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WHEREAS, the COMMISSION and this COUNCIL have duly considered the proposed revision of the design, together with the report, evaluation and analysis of the COMMISSION's engineer and such other and additional evidence as has come before it; and

WHEREAS, this COUNCIL desires to adopt certain amendments to the Franchise Resolution and to approve the proposed revision of the design upon the terms and subject to the conditions hereinafter set forth;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO THAT:

- 1. Subparagraph b. (1) of Section II A 2 of the Franchise Resolution is hereby amended and restated to read as follows:
  - "(1) A certification by the Chief Executive Officer of the Franchisee stating in clear and unequivocal terms that, to the best of his knowledge and belief, the proposed revision of the design is in all aspects, including but not limited to quality, anticipated useful life and performance characteristics, equal to or superior to the design set forth in the Application in that:
    - a. the quality and performance characteristics of each aspect of the signal under the proposed system design, as delivered to the ultimate user, will be of at least the same quality and performance characteristics (including without limitation consideration of its strength, definition, integrity and discreteness) as the corresponding aspect of the signal which would have been so delivered under the design specified in the Application; and
    - b. the reliability of each aspect of the signal under the proposed system design, as delivered to the ultimate user, will be of at least the same degree of reliability (including without limitation consideration of the influence of atmospheric, topographic and competitive signal factors which may reasonably be anticipated to be found within the franchise area or any portion of it during the franchise term) as the corresponding aspect of the signal which would have been so delivered under the design specified in the Application; and
    - c. the capacity of the system will be such as to be capable of delivery of such volumes of programming and other services to the community, as to both existing and reasonably foreseeable future programming and services, as the COUNTY and the CITY acting jointly have determined is necessary, appropriate and in the best interests of the Sacramento community; and"
- 2. This COUNCIL finds and determines, based upon all of the evidence presented

and available to it, that the FRANCHISEE has shown by clear and convincing evidence that the proposed revision of the design, in its ultimate configuration, is in all aspects, including but not limited to quality, anticipated useful life and performance characteristics, equal to or superior to the design set forth in the Application in that:

- a. the quality and performance characteristics of each aspect of the signal under the proposed system design, as delivered to the ultimate user, will be of at least the same quality and performance characteristics (including without limitation consideration of its strength, definition, integrity and discreteness) as the corresponding aspect of the signal which would have been so delivered under the design specified in the Application; and
- b. the reliability of each aspect of the signal under the proposed system design, as delivered to the ultimate user, will be of at least the same degree of reliability (including without limitation consideration of the influence of atmospheric, topographic and competitive signal factors which may reasonably be anticipated to be found within the franchise area or any portion of it during the franchise term) as the corresponding aspect of the signal which would have been so delivered under the design specified in the Application; and
- c. the capacity of the system will be such as to be capable of delivery of such volumes of programming and other services to the community, as to both existing and reasonably foreseeable future programming and services, as this COUNCIL has determined is necessary, appropriate and in the best interests of the Sacramento community.
- This COUNCIL hereby approves the FRANCHISEE's proposed revision of the design of the system as set forth in the attached Exhibit "A", and hereby incorporates such revision into the Franchise Resolution and, to the extent that it is expressly inconsistent with the design of the system as set forth in the Application, the provisions of Exhibit "A" hereto shall prevail over the terms of the Application and the Franchise Resolution, PROVIDED THAT the foregoing approval shall in no way operate to relieve the FRANCHISEE to any degree whatsoever of its obligation to meet and comply strictly with each and every technical test, review and specification as set forth in the Franchise Resolution including without limitation signal testing, Federal Communications Commission standards, technical standards and equipment substitution procedures, unless such technical test, review or specification is expressly altered, amended or deleted herein.
- 4. This COUNCIL hereby expressly finds and determines that it would not have approved the temporary use of a four hundred fifty (450) megahertz system as set forth in Exhibit "A" but for the assurance of the FRANCHISEE of the installation of a five hundred fifty (550) megahertz system as soon as it is, in the judgement of this COUNCIL and as hereinafter provided, reliable in

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accordance with the terms hereof. Accordingly, by the filing of a Certificate of Acknowledgement and Undertaking hereto as required by Paragraph 21 d. of this Resolution below, the FRANCHISEE, the named owners thereof and SCRIPPS HOWARD BROADCASTING COMPANY do hereby agree to accomplish the purposes hereof and to require the installation of the five hundred fifty (550) megahertz system described in Exhibit "A" hereto in accordance with Section VI E hereof, or such other system design as may be from time to time approved by the COUNTY and the CITY acting jointly pursuant to Sections II A 2 and VI E 24 of the Franchise Resolution.

- 5. Section VI A 1 of the Franchise Resolution is hereby amended and restated to read as follows:
  - "1. Subscriber Network. The Subscriber Network shall:
    - a. Consist of one cable with a frequency spectrum of 5-550 megahertz with:
      - (1) at least four (4) six (6) megahertz channels upstream within a frequency spectrum of 5-30 megahertz; and
      - (2) at least seventy-seven (77) six (6) megahertz video channels downstream within a frequency spectrum of 50-550 megahertz, provided that pursuant to the provisions of Paragraph 19 of this Section VI below, the FRANCHISEE may initially activate the system to four hundred fifty (450) megahertz.

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6. The second paragraph of Section VI B 3 of the Franchise Resolution is hereby amended and restated to read as follows:

"The FRANCHISEE shall utilize the Subscriber Network Cable to provide Home Entertainment; Educational; and Home Non-Entertainment Services in four tiers or packages as follows:

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- 7. Section VI of the Franchise Resolution is hereby amended by adding a new Section E thereto after the existing Section D as follows:
  - "E. TEMPORARY ACTIVATION OF SYSTEM AND CONDITIONS UPON ULTIMATE ACTIVATION
    - 19. The Upgrade Order. The FRANCHISEE shall be permitted initially to activate the system only to four hundred fifty (450) megahertz, providing thereby not less than sixty-two (62) video channels. The COMMISSION may meet from time to time to consider the need for

additional spectrum capacity beyond the capability of the system at four hundred fifty (450) megahertz. The COMMISSION shall give the FRANCHISEE written notice of the time, date, place, and purpose of such meeting in accordance with Section 5.50.024 of the any The FRANCHISEE shall be permitted at such meeting to Ordinance. address all matters which are the subject of such notice. If the COMMISSION determines, in accordance with the foregoing provisions and in its sole discretion, that there is a need for additional spectrum capacity, the COMMISSION shall issue and mail to the FRANCHISEE the upgrade order as hereinafter defined. It is the intention of the COUNTY and the CITY acting jointly, the COMMISSION, the FRANCHISEE, and the named owners thereof to upgrade the system to its ultimate activation level of five hundred fifty (550) megahertz at the earliest possible date, but in no event more three hundred sixty-five (365) days after the issuance by the COMMISSION of an order (the "upgrade order") to the FRANCHISEE to upgrade the system its ultimate activation level of five hundred fifty (550) megahertz, subject to the right of the FRANCHISEE to establish non-reliability pursuant to Paragraph 21 below.

- 20. Franchisee's Establishment of Non-reliability. The COMMISSION may at any time during the term of the franchise and in its sole discretion, but not more than once within any twenty-four (24) consecutive months during such term, after notice to the FRANCHISEE pursuant to Section 5.50.024 of the Ordinance, issue an upgrade order to the FRANCHISEE causing the upgrade of the system to its ultimate activation level of five hundred fifty (550) megahertz, subject ONLY to the right of the FRANCHISEE to establish non-reliability pursuant to Paragraph 21 below.
- 21. Non-Reliability Defined. Upon the issuance of an upgrade order by the COMMISSION pursuant to Paragraphs 19 and 20 above, the FRANCHISEE may forestall the application of this obligation to upgrade the level of activation of the system to five hundred fifty (550) megahertz ONLY by establishing, at a hearing to be held within ninety (90) days after the issuance of such an order, by clear and convincing evidence that one or more of the following conditions have been met and continue to exist:
  - a. The mean time to failure for a five hundred fifty (550) megahertz amplifier manufactured by the manufacturer of the FRANCHISEE's four hundred fifty (450) megahertz amplifiers (the "FRANCHISEE's manufacturer") is LESS than the mean time to failure for any four hundred fifty (450) megahertz amplifier theretofore installed by the FRANCHISEE in the system. The "mean time to failure" for amplifiers of FRANCHISEE's manufacturer shall be determined only by reference to published statistics of FRANCHISEE's manufacturer available to the cable

industry generally.

- b. The average number of service calls related to system failure per plant mile in all five hundred fifty (550) megahertz systems throughout the country shall be MORE THAN the average number of service calls related to system failure per plant mile in all four hundred fifty (450) megahertz systems throughout the country, when the maximum statistical inaccuracy derived from the applicable sampling technique is assumed and excluded from consideration. The "average number of service calls related to system failure... throughout the country" shall be determined only by reference to published figures, generally accepted within the cable industry, and based upon generally accepted statistical sampling techniques.
- c. The FRANCHISEE's manufacturer has not installed MORE than three thousand (3,000) miles of five hundred fifty (550) megahertz system plant which has been operating for at least twenty-four (24) consecutive months.
- d. The FRANCHISEE's manufacturer has not installed at least one system with at least eight hundred (800) miles of five hundred fifty (550) megahertz system plant which has been operating for at least twenty-four (24) consecutive months.
- e. The FRANCHISEE's manufacturer is unable to guarantee that the FRANCHISEE's manufacturer can deliver as a standard production item five hundred fifty (550) megahertz amplifiers which meet the reliability standard set forth in subparagraph a. above (provided that such data is available), meaning that FRANCHISEE's manufacturer can deliver at least five thousand (5,000) such five hundred fifty (550) megahertz amplifiers per month for a period of at least twenty four (24) consecutive months.
- f. The installation of five hundred fifty (550) megahertz amplifiers would require a complete replacement of the then existing amplifier housings.
- 22. <u>Disputes Regarding Reliability</u>. Upon receipt of notice from the FRANCHISEE that the FRANCHISEE asserts the non-reliability of a five hundred fifty (550) megahertz system, the COMMISSION shall establish a hearing for the purpose of receiving the FRANCHISEE's evidence of non-reliability referred to in Paragraph 21 above. Upon receipt of such evidence, if the COMMISSION finds and determines that the FRANCHISEE has established by clear and convincing evidence that a five hundred fifty (550) megahertz system is not reliable pursuant to the provisions of Paragraph 21 above, the upgrade order shall

forthwith be null and void. If the COMMISSION finds and dertermines that the FRANCHISEE has NOT established by clear and convincing evidence that a five hundred fifty (550) megahertz system is not reliable pursuant to the provisions of Paragraph 21 above, the COMMISSION shall thereupon issue an order confirming its upgrade order and its finding of the lack of the FRANCHISEE's establishment non-reliability (the "reliability order"). Thereupon, the FRANCHISEE shall have thirty (30) days to give written notice to the COMMISSION that the FRANCHISEE is submitting the matter of the COMMISSION's reliability order to arbitration pursuant to the provisions of Paragraph 23 below. If the FRANCHISEE fails to give such a notice in a timely fashion, the COMMISSION's reliability order shall become final and binding upon the FRANCHISEE.

- 23. Arbitration Proceedings . With respect to any arbitration proceeding conducted pursuant to the provisions of Paragraph 22 of this Section VI, the arbitration panel shall be selected, the hearing scheduled within the time prescribed, notice given, the hearing conducted, decision made and costs divided in the manner prescribed by Sections 5.50.830 through 5.50.840, inclusive, of the Ordinance. The questions which may be submitted to the arbitration panel and the jurisdiction of the arbitration panel shall be limited to the following:
  - a. The interpretation of the provisions of the Franchise Documents solely in relation to the decision required by b. below; and
  - b. Whether or not the FRANCHISEE established before the COMMISSION by clear and convincing evidence that a five hundred fifty (550) megahertz system is not reliable under one or more of the tests set forth in Paragraph 21 above.

The determination of the arbitration panel shall be final, binding and conclusive upon the parties, and shall not be subject to judicial review or vacation except on the grounds set forth in Section 1286.2 of the Code of Civil Procedure.

- 24. Alternative Technology. Notwithstanding the provisions of this Section E of this Section VI, the FRANCHISEE may apply at any time under the provisions of Section II A 2 of this Resolution for a revision of the design of the system to accomplish the purposes hereof by means of alternative technology. Nothing is this Paragraph shall be construed to limit or diminish the discretion of the COUNTY and the CITY acting jointly under the aforementioned section in its consideration of such a proposed alternative system design."
- 8. Section II A 6 a. of the Franchise Resolution is hereby amended by deleting

therefrom the first sentence thereof.

- 9. Section III of the Franchise Resolution is hereby amended by deleting therefrom Paragraph 8 thereof.
- 10. Section VI A 2 of the Franchise Resolution is hereby amended and restated to read as follows:
  - "2. Institutional Usage of Subscriber Network and Institutional Network.
    - a. <u>Institutional Usage of Subscriber Network.</u> The FRANCHISEE shall utilize up to twenty (20) megahertz of the Subscriber Network for institutional uses until such time as the Institutional Network is constructed pursuant to subparagraph b. hereof. Subsequent to the construction of the Institutional Network, the FRANCHISEE may, but shall not be required to utilize the aforementioned portion of the Subscriber Network for institutional services.
    - b. <u>Institutional Network.</u> The FRANCHISEE shall, from time to time hereafter, as required below, immediately begin construction of an Institutional Network, consisting of one (1) institutional cable which shall cover approximately two hundred (200) miles within the Imposed Service Area and with at least forty-nine (49) six (6) megahertz video channels within a frequency spectrum of 30-400 megahertz, at such time as the institutional usage of the Subscriber Network results in either of the following conditions:
      - (1) For a period of at least thirty (30) days, at least ninety percent (90%) of the FRANCHISEE's data channels on the Subscriber Network which may be utilized for institutional purposes pursuant to subparagraph a. above are utilized between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on business days Monday through Friday, or
      - (2) A bona fide contract for the utilization of institutional services at commercially reasonable rates has been offered to the FRANCHISEE and, if accepted, when added to the then existing institutional usage of the Subscriber Network, the total of such existing and additional Institutional usage would exceed the twenty (20) megahertz band of the Subscriber Network which may be utilized for institutional purposes pursuant to subparagraph a above.

In the event of the occurence of condition (1) or (2) above, the FRANCHISEE shall construct a segment of the Institutional Network as may be necessary to relieve conditions (1) and (2) above, as the case may be, but in no event less than forty (40) miles or such less

distance as the COMMISSION may in its sole discretion approve. Notwithstanding the foregoing sentence, the FRANCHISEE shall, upon the occurence of condition (1) or (2) above, construct such first segment of the Institutional Network capable of delivery of all of the then existing institutional usage of the Subscriber Network. After construction of the first segment of the Institutional Network, the FRANCHISEE shall not thereafter, without the further express permission of the COMMISSION, utilize any additional portion of the Subscriber Network for institutional usage.

Nothing contained in this Paragraph 2 shall be deemed or construed to reduce or dimish to any extent whatsoever the obligations of the FRANCHISEE to make available certain spectrum space to the Sacramento County Corporation for Educational Telecommunications (SCCET), also known as the Educational Consortium, for institutional usages pursuant to the Application or any contract by and between the FRANCHISEE and SCCET which may now or hereafter exist."

11. Section VI D 14 of the Franchise Resolution is hereby amended by adding the following sentence to the end thereof:

"The foregoing obligation shall be subject, in all respects, to the provisions of Paragraph A 2 of this Section VI."

- 12. Section V A 10 a. of the Franchise Resolution is hereby amended by deleting therefrom the words "...twentieth (20th)..." and substituting therefor the words "...twenty-sixth (26th)...".
- 13. Subparagraph a. of Section V B 17 of the Franchise Resolution is hereby amended by deleting therefrom the words "...commencement of the second year..." and substituting therefor the words "...twenty-sixth (26th) month...".
- 14. Paragraph 1 of Section III of the Franchise Resolution is hereby amended by adding a new subparagraph c. thereto after the existing subparagraph b. as follows:
  - "c. The FRANCHISEE shall, within sixty (60) days after the notification by the COMMISSION of the approval of an Alternative System Design pursuant to Section II A 2 of this Resolution, submit a revised Construction Activation Table and a revised Census Tract Progression Table which (i) take into account the effect of the alternative system design and (ii) provide for the completion of the system within the times set forth in Section 5.50.410 of the Ordinance. Thereafter, all references in this Resolution to the Construction Activation Table or the Census Tract Progression Table shall be deemed to have reference to the revised tables, as applicable, and the FRANCHISEE shall continue to be bound by the terms of this Section III as such terms then apply to such revised tables."

- 15. Subparagraph d. (1) of Section VI B 4 of the Franchise Resolution is hereby amended and restated to read as follows:
  - During each year of the franchise, the Franchisee shall be expressly permitted to reduce the number of distant channels cablecast upon the system to the extent, and only to the extent, that, in the next preceding franchise year, the actual expenditures for copyright fees on distant signal channels shall not have averaged less than an amount equal to the lesser of: (1) 24.778% of the Basic Service Revenues of the system as determined herein, or (2) five dollars and ninety-five cents (\$5.95) for each person and/or entity who has been a subscriber to some or all of the entertainment, educational and home non-entertainment services contained within the Basic tier as defined by Paragraph B 3 a of Section VI of this Resolution during the franchise year. To the extent that such expenditures in any year shall be less than the aforementioned amount, the amount of the difference shall be set aside in a copyright fee reserve. When the level of funds in such reserve added to the aforementioned amount shall be sufficient to pay the copyright fees for an additional distant signal channel, said channel shall be restored to the system until said copyright fee reserve shall be exhausted."
- 16A. Subparagraph b. of Paragraph 8 of Section IV of the Franchise Resolution hereby amended by deleting therefrom the second full sentence thereof and substituting in lieu thereof as follows:
  - "At all times during the term of the franchise that the Franchisee is obligated to provide 'The Sacramento Channel', the Franchisee shall employ personnel to be utilized by such channel in such numbers and in such functional categories as may be necessary to achieve all of the quantitative and qualitative performances required of the Franchisee pursuant to this subparagraph b. and subparagraphs c. and d. of this Paragraph 8 of this Resolution."
- 16B. Subparagraph (b) of Paragraph 20 of Section V C of the Franchise Resolution is hereby amended by deleting therefrom the second full sentence thereof.
- 17. Subparagraphs e, f, and g of Paragraph 8 of Section IV of the Franchise Resolution are hereby deleted in their entirety.
- 18. Paragraph 8 of Section IV of the Franchise Resolution is hereby amended by adding a new subparagraph e. thereto as follows:
  - "e. Notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraph b. above, the Franchisee may initiate a determination of the economic feasibility of The Sacramento Channel in advance of its activation, by filing with the Commission, not less than ninety (90) days in advance of the date upon

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which it reasonably anticipates having obtained one hundred thousand (100,000) subscribers and in any event on or before the date upon which it obtains eighty thousand (80,000) subscribers, an application for feasibility pre-activation economic determination. Thereupon, Commission shall select and retain an expert which shall be one of the so-called 'Big Eight' accounting firms, the cost of which shall be borne entirely by the Franchisee without consideration of any other amounts paid by Franchisee to the Commission under the Franchise Documents, for the purpose of estimating, by such means and techniques as said experts shall deem advisable, the 'Revenues' reasonably anticipated to be derived and the 'Costs' reasonably anticipated to be incurred (as those terms are defined in subparagraph b. above) during the first year of operation of the Sacramento Channel. The report of the aforesaid experts shall be submitted jointly to the Franchisee and to the Commission within sixty (60) days after submission of the application by the Franchisee. Upon submission of the report of the estimation of Revenues and Costs, the Franchisee may reduce, pursuant to subparagraph b. above, (i) the hours per day, and/or (ii) the days per week, and/or (iii) the number or types of personnel required by this paragraph to the extent required to prevent Costs from exceeding Revenues, provided that, if the aforesaid study should result in the complete elimination of the Sacramento Channel, the Commission shall be entitled to, but not required to, similarly retain such experts (at the expense of the Franchisee) at intervals of not less than every three (3) years thereafter for the balance of the franchise term for the purpose of determining whether a change in circumstances within the market would enable the introduction of the Sacramento Channel."

- 19. Paragraph 20 of Section V of the Franchise Resolution is hereby amended by adding thereto a new subparagraph (c) as follows:
  - Notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraph (b) above, the Franchisee may initiate a determination of the economic feasibility of The Sacramento Channel in advance of its activation, by filing with the Commission, not less than ninety (90) days in advance of the date upon which it reasonably anticipates having obtained one hundred thousand (100,000) subscribers and in any event on or before the date upon which it obtains eighty thousand (80,000) subscribers, an application for economic feasibility determination. pre-activation Thereupon, the Commission shall select and retain an expert which shall be one of the so-called 'Big Eight' accounting firms, the cost of which shall be borne entirely by the Franchisee without consideration of any other amounts paid by Franchisee to the Commission under the Franchise Documents, for the purpose of estimating, by such means and techniques as said experts shall deem advisable, the 'Revenues' reasonably anticipated to be derived and the 'Costs' reasonably anticipated to be incurred (as those terms are defined in subparagraph (b) above) during the first year of operation of the Sacramento Channel. The report of the aforesaid experts shall be

submitted jointly to the Franchisee and to the Commission within sixty (60) days after submission of the application by the Franchisee. Upon submission of the report of the estimation of Revenues and Costs, the Franchisee may reduce, pursuant to subparagraph (b) above, (i) the hours per day, and/or (ii) the days per week, and/or (iii) the number or types of personnel required by this paragraph to the extent required to prevent Costs from exceeding Revenues, provided that, if the aforesaid study should result in the complete elimination of the Sacramento Channel, the Commission shall be entitled to, but not required to, similarly retain such experts (at the expense of the Franchisee) at intervals of not less than every three (3) years thereafter for the balance of the franchise term for the purpose of determining whether a change in circumstances within the market would enable the introduction of the Sacramento Channel."

- 20. Section III of the Franchise Resolution is hereby amended by adding thereto a new Paragraph 8 as follows:
  - "8. Burden of Proof in Construction Disputes. If (i) the FRANCHISEE should in the course of the construction of the system elect to place underground cable plant in the public utility easement in front yards upon private property where there was, at the time of the FRANCHISEE's election, space available for the installation of such plant at the lip of the curb of the gutter within the public roadway, or (ii) the FRANCHISEE should fail, neglect or refuse to take pre-construction photography of the condition of any private property upon which underground construction is to occur, the FRANCHISEE shall have the burden of proof as to the condition of the private property prior to the initiation of such construction in any subsequent complaint resolution, arbitration or judicial procedure between the FRANCHISEE and the private property owner. It is expressly agreed by the parties hereto that the private property owner is the intended third party beneficiary of the FRANCHISEE's contractual obligations and promises under this Paragraph 8."
- 21. Subparagraph d. of Paragraph 2. of Section II of the Franchise Resolution is hereby amended by deleting from the first sentence thereof the words "... at a noticed public hearing...".
- 22. The provisions of this Resolution shall not be effective for any purpose unless and until:
  - a. The Board of Directors of the COMMISSION adopts a Resolution amending its Resolution 83-023, adopted on November 22, 1983, to include provisions identical to the amendments made to Resolution No. 83-920 of this COUNCIL by this Resolution; and
  - b. The Board of Supervisors of the COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO adopts a Resolution amending its Resolution No. 83-1450, adopted November 22, 1983,

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to include provisions identical to the amendments made to Resolution No. 83-920 of this COUNCIL by the adoption of this Resolution; and

- c. The City Council of the City of Folsom and the City Council of the City of Galt have each adopted a Resolution approving the adoption of this Resolution within; thirty (30) days from the date hereof; and
- d. The FRANCHISEE, the named owners thereof and SCRIPPS-HOWARD BROADCASTING COMPANY have approved, accepted and agreed to the provisions of this Resolution for themselves, their successors, assigns and guarantors by submitting a Certificate of Acknowledgement and Undertaking in a form identical to that attached as Exhibit "C" hereto.

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#### TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION OF THE REVISED SYSTEM

#### A. C.A.T.V. Plant

The C.A.T.V. plant will consist of a single cable bi-directional 550 MHz system, initially activated to 450 MHz. The initial activatio will provide for:

60 subscriber channels the FM band 16 MHz of downstream institutional loop capacity.

The system's technical performance will equal or exceed the performance criteria established in Form I of our franchise application. All trunk and line extender stations will be spaced at 550 MHz. All line splitters, couplers, and taps will have a band pass up to 550 MHz minimum. Conversion to 550 MHz operation will involve simply replacing plug-in type modular equipment.

The system's return capacity will operate in the 5-30 MHz spectrum and will be capable of providing four-six MHz video channels.

The trunk and distribution return capacity will be activated at the time of initial downstream activation. At the point in time that it is established that the bandwidth allocated to the institutional services is inadequate, we would then propose to build up to a 200 mile separate I-loop, activated at 450 MHz, as need and practicability dictate.

#### B. Headend Configuration

The headend will consist of a main standalone headend installed in our downtown location. An AML microwave system will be employed to distribute signals to seven hub receive sites located throughout the service area. It is anticipated that existing antenna mounting structures will be utilized, thereby avoiding the need to erect towers. Each AML hub receiver will be backed up by a "hot standby" receiver which will automatically activate in the event of main receiver failure, thereby assuring maximum reliability.

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#### SACRAMENTO MICROWAVE SITES

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#### TRANSMIT SITE

North Latitude 38° 34 min. 29 sec. 1230 N ST West Longitude 121° 29 min. 26 sec.

#### RECEIVE SITES

- 1. North Latitude 38° 41 min. 21 sec. RIO LINDA West Longitude 121° 26 min. 53 sec.
- 2. North Latitude 38° 40 min. 13 sec. VARMICHAEL
  West Longitude 121° 18 min. 48 sec. VARMICHAEL
- 3. North Latitude 38° 40 min. 46 sec. FOLCOM West Longitude 121° 08 min. 21 sec. FOLCOM
- 4. North Latitude 38° 36 min. 10 sec. ARDEN West Longitude 121° 23 min. 33 sec.
- 5. North Latitude 38° 30 min. 43 sec. CAMPPOLL SOUP West Longitude 121° 29 min. 28 sec. TOWER
- 6. North Latitude 38° 24 min. 36 sec. (Elk Grove)
  West Longitude 121° 22 min. 02 sec.
- 7. North Latitude 38° 24 min. 36 sec. (Galt)
  West Longitude 121° 18 min. 07 sec.

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### TWENTY-MILE PATH

### EIGHTY-CHANNEL AML WITH SPACE-COMBINED TEN-FOOT ANTENNAS

TRANSMITTER OUTPUT (DBM/CHANN	NEL)		36.0				
TRANSMITTER MULTIPLEXING			-12.0				
TRANSMITTER WAVEGUIDE	50.0	FT. ELLIFTICAL	-1.9				
TRANSMIT ANTENNA	10.0	FT.	48.8				
FREE SPACE ATTENUATION	20.0	MILES	-144.8				
RECEIVE ANTENNA	10.0	FT.	48.8				
RECEIVER WAVEGUIDE	20.0	FT. ELLIFTICAL	-0.7				
FIELD FACTOR			-2.0				
RECEIVE CARRIER			-27.8				
NOISE FER MHZ	-114.0						
4MHZ CORRECTION	6.0						
RECEIVER NOISE FIGURE	7.0						
RECEIVER THERMAL NOISE	-101.0						
RECEIVER CARRIER-TO-NOISE RAT	IO WITHOUT (	46C	73.2				
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STATISTICAL ESTIMATES							
MULTIPATH FACTOR (A X B) = 0.25 CCIR CLIMATE REGION = C							
HOURS PER YEAR BELOW 48.8 DB	CARRIER-TO-N	NOISE: MULTIFATH	2.0				
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# V. MAGNAVOX SYSTEM CONCEPT

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## A.) GENERAL CONFIGURATION AND CONSIDERATIONS

The system configuration outlined herein is consistent with the information received regarding the Sacramento, California, project.

# 1.) Subscriber Distribution Network

- The system shall be a single trunk, single feeder configuration (STSF) and shall be designed and spaced 550 MHz, at initially balanced and implemented with a frequency band between 50 and 450 MHz downstream. Two way operation shall considered during design and initial turn Two-way operation shall be initiated cn. by the installation of return amplifier modules. No rebalancing or interruption of the forward signal path is necessary when activating the return path.
- b.) The initial 450 MHz implementation shall be capable of delivering 60 television channels plus the FM broadcast band.
- c.) At some future date, to be determined by SCRIPPS-HOWARD, the system can be upgraded to 50 to 550 MHz downstream. After upgrade the system shall be capable of delivering

- 77 television channels plus the FM broadcast band.
- d.) The return system shall be capable of carrying 4 television channels within a 5 to 30 MHz bandpass.
- e.) A status monitoring and signal disconnect system will be implemented. This can be installed initially or retrofitted at a later date. The initial design shall be adaptable for this system.

## B.) DESIGN CRITERIA

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## 1.) Subscriber Distribution Network

a.) System Spaced at: 50 to 550 MHz 5-30 MHz

b.) Number of TV Channels:

60

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c.) Tap Level Specifications

(Forward Signals) :

14 dBmV min. @ 550 MHz

9 dBmV min. @ 54 MHz

3 dB window

- d.) Multiple Dwelling Tapping: Serve multiple dwellings with 9 units or more with a 20 dBmV minimum level at 550 MHz and use either a two-way tap, splitter or directional coupler.
- r e.) Cable Type: COMSCOPE PIII

.875" Trunk

.625" Feeder

- f.) Forward automatic gain and slope amplifiers shall be located at every trunk station.
- g.) All trunk stations shall be designed for two-way operation and the use of Digital System Sentry.

- h.) Power shall be supplied via a 60 volt RMS

  AC power supply at 15 amperes rated load.

  Design shall load each supply to a maximum of 80% rated capacity for any power supply location.
- i.) Return thermatic gain and slope control amplifier modules shall be spaced approximately every 15 dB of cable at 30 MHz.
- j.) Design shall be calculated at 68°F.
- k.) Noise and distortion variations due to temperature change calculated as follows:

# Cable Attenuation\*:

@ 450 MHZ					@ 550 MHZ						
1.0120	dB/100	ft	@	+	68°F	1.1420	dB/100	ft	@	+	68°F
.9614	db/100	ft	@	+	20°F	1.0849	db/100	ft	@	+	20°F
1.0626	₫Ъ/100	ft	@	+ 3	l20°F	1.1990	db/100	ft	@	+1	.20°F

Cable Spacing Requirements\*:

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	@ 450 MHZ	@ 550 MHZ
+ 68°F Gain (dB)	18.6	21.0
Spacing (ft)	1838	1838
+ 20°F Gain (dB)	17.7	20.0
+120°F Gain (dB)	19.6	22.1

Performance specifications required @68°F to meet minimum recommended specifications over the temperature range of +20°F to +120°F.

# 21 dB Spacing

-C/Dist. -55.5 dB

C/Noise 46.5 dB

<sup>\* 1%</sup> per 10°F variance in ambient (Source = cable manufacturer.)

## C.) SYSTEM OPERATING LEVELS

1.) Subscriber Distribution Network

550 MHz spaced, but 450 MHz balanced

a.) Forward System - PD TRK, P-P BRG, P-P LEX

a.l Trunk Amplifier Station:

Output Level (Note 2) 32.5 dBmV

600 slepe

8 d b slope

Gain

21.0 dB

Input Level (Note 1)

11.5 dBmV

a.2 Bridger Amplifier:

Output Level (Note 3) 44.0 dBmV

Gain

27.0 dB

Input Level (Note 1)

17.0 dBmV

a.3 Line Extender Amplifiers, Operating with 2 in Cascade (Note 4)

Output Level (Note 3) 41.0 dBmV

Gain 27.0 dB

Input Level (Note 1) 14.0 dBmV

NOTES: (1) Design minimum level at 450 MHz.

- (2) Levels include 6 dB incremental slope.
- (3) Levels include 8 dB incremental slope.
- (4) Line extender amplifiers are operated 3 dB higher in level when used one in cascade.

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# D.) SYSTEM PERFORMANCE (Based on Levels of Section C)

MAGNAVOX guarantees the accuracy of the system specifications, as stated in the following sections, provided that the products not supplied by MAGNAVOX are of a sufficient quality to support the accuracy of the specifications as previously stated by MAGNAVOX, and that the construction, installation and operation of the system is in accordance with the standards of good engineering practices.

## Special Considerations

MAGNAVOX considered the future of SCRIPPS-HOWARD'S applications in Sacramento by calculating system performance at both 450 MHz and 550 MHz implementations. The operating level shown can be used if a 450 or 550 MHz system is to be implemented. The system performances in the following section will be achieved as indicated for either 450 or 550 MHz.

The minimum expected performance is given along with the actual calculated performance. The minimum expected performance considers operation over the entire temperature extremes of +20 to +120°F.

The <u>actual calculated</u> performance is given by the computer printouts and is the expected performance at a 68°F balance temperature.

SCRIPPS-HOWARD should note the <u>actual calculated</u> performance far exceeds the <u>minimum expected</u> performance.

# 1.) Subscriber Distribution Network - 450 MHz:

The system performance shall be better than or equal to the stated values when operated at the levels and design criteria as listed in this proposal (sections B and C) and operational over the temperature swing from 20°F to +120°F, with a maximum of 20 Power Doubling TM trunk, 1 conventional push-pull bridger and 2 conventional push-pull line extender amplifiers in cascade.

	FORWARD
CARRIER-TO-NOISE RATIO	45.5 dB
CARRIER-TO-CROSS MODULATION	55.0 dB
CARRIER-COMPOSITE TRIPLE BEAT	- 53.0 dB
CARRIER-TO-DISCRETE SECOND ORDER	- 62.0 dB

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+\* SPECIFICATIONS \*\*

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JESIRED CHANNELS	60			
TRUNK SPACING	21			
MAXIMUM BRIDGER GAIN	35			
MAXIMUM LINE EXTENDER GAIN	27			
ESTIMATED TRUNK CASCADE	20			
MAXIMUM LINE EXTENDER CASCADE	2			
TOP TEMPERATURE	120			
LOW TEMPERATURE	20			
DESIRED NOISE	-46.5			
DESIRED CROSSMOD	-55.5			
DESIRED COMPOSITE BEAT	-55.5			
DESIRED SECOND ORDER	-62			
DESIRED THIRD ORDER	<del>-</del> 65			
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#### \*\* OPTIMUM OPERATING LEVELS \*\*

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% TEM	TRUNK	BRIDGER	EXTENDER	
INPUT	11.5	17	14	
GAIN	21	27	27	
OUTPUT	32.5	44	41	

TRUNK OPERATING BLOCK SLOPE = 6 DB
EEDER OPERATING BLOCK SLOPE = 8 DB
AGC/ASC LOCATED EVERY 1 TRUNK STATION
AGC LINE EXTENDERS LOCATED EVERY 0 STATION

#### \*\* SYSTEM PERFORMANCE \*\*

TRUNK BRIDGER SYSTE			
NOISE TO THE STATE OF THE STATE	-48.49	-48.37	-48.01
CROSSMOD	-67.06	-61.5	-58.13
COMPOSITE BEAT	-66.06	-59.5	-56.72
SECOND ORDER	-72.49	-70.17	-67.98
THIRD ORDER	-78.98	-75.46	<b>-72.96</b>

DISTORTION AT 68 DEGREES TO MEET PERFORMANCE FROM 120 DEGREES TO 20 DEGREES.

#### \*\* UNIT PERFORMANCE \*\*

	TRUNK	BRIDGER	EXTENDER
NOISE	-61.5	-64	-62
CROSSMOD	-93.06	-68	-74
COMPOSITE BEAT	-92.08	<del>-</del> 65	<del>-</del> 74
SECOND ORDER	-85.5	-74	-75
THIRD ORDER	-105	-85	-91

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PD TRK / P-P BRG / P-P LEX (450 MHZ) SYSTEM LOCATION: XXXXXXXXX TRUNK ONLY XXXXXXXXXX \*\*\*\*\* TOTAL SYSTEM \*\*\*\*\* C/NSE C/CTB C/2ND **CHRMA** C/2ND **CHRITA** TRUNK C/NSE C/CTE CSD 69.75 85.50 0.00 60.12 0.00 61.50 92.08 56.26 1 59.90 69.64 0.00 2 58.49 86.06 82.49 0.00 55.12 82.54 69.53 3 56.73 80.73 0.00 54.22 59.69 0.00 59.49 69.42 4 79.48 53.48 0.00 55.48 80.04 e.00 78.51 59.28 69.31 0.00 5 54.51 78.10 0.00 52.84 6 53.72 76.52 77.72 0.00 52.29 59.09 69.21 0.00 7 53.05 75.18 77.05 0.00 51.79 58.70 69.11 0.00 52.47 76.47 58.71 69.01 8 74.02 0.00 51.35 0.00 9 51.96 73.00 75.96 0.00 50.95 58.52 68.91 0.00 72.08 75.50 50.59 58.34 0.00 10 51.50 0.00 68.82 0.00 75.09 11 51.09 71.25 0.00 50.25 58.17 **68.73** 12 50.71 70.50 74.71 0.00 49.93 57.99 68.64 0.00 74.36 49.64 57.82 0.00 13 50.36 69.80 0.00 **68.55** 74.04 49.37 14 50.04 69.16 0.00 57.66 68.46 0.00 68.56 73.74 0.00 49.11 57.49 0.00 15 49.74 68.38 49.46 68.00 73.46 0.00 48.86 57.33 68.29 0.00 16 17 49.20 67.47 73.20 0.00 48.63 57.17 68.21 0.00 18 66.97 72.95 0.00 48.42 57.02 68.13 0.00 48.95 19 48.71 66.50 72.71 0.00 48.21 56.87 68.05 0.00 72.49 0.00 48.01 56.72 67.97 0.00 20 48.49 66.06 21 72.28 56.57 48.28 65.64 0.00 47.82 67.90 0.00 22 48.08 65.23 72.08 0.00 47.64 56.43 67.82 0.00 71.88 23 47.88 64.85 0.00 47.46 56.28 67.75 0.00 24 47.70 71.70 0.00 47.29 56.14 67.68 0.00 64.48 25·\*·· 47.52 64.12 71.52 ·0.00<del>·~ 4</del>7:13 56.01 67.61 0.00 47.35 71.35 46.98 55.87 67.54 26 63.78 0.00 0.00 27 47.19 63.45 71.19 0.00 46.82 55.74 0.00 67.47 28 47.03 71.03 0.00 46.68 55.61 0.00 63.14 67.40 55.48 29 46.BB 62.83 70.88 0.0046.54 67.33 0.00 30 46.73 62.54 70.73 0.00 46.40 55.35 67.27 0.00 31 46.59 62.25 70.59 0.00 46.27 55.22 67.20 0.00 32 46.45 61.98 70.45 0.00 46.14 55.10 67.14 0.00 33 46.31 61.71 70.31 0.00 46.02 54.98 67.08 0.00 34 46.19 61.45 70.19 0.00 45.90 54.86 67.01 0.00 35 61.20 46.06 70.06 0.00 45.78 54.74 66.95 0.00

> POWER DOUBLING TRUNK PUSH PULL BRIDGER PUSH PULL LINE EXTENDERS

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#### \*\* Specifications \*\*

Desired Channels	77 (SSOMH
Trunk Spacing	21
Maximum Bridger Gain	<b>35</b> ·
Maximum Line Extender Gain	27
Estimated Trunk Cascade	27 20 ← 20 TR
Maximum Line Extender Cascade	2
Top Tamperature	120 <sub>- 71</sub> .
Low Temperature	20
Desired Noise	- 46.5
Desired Crossmod	- 55.5
Desired Composite Beat	- 55.5
Desired Second Order	<b>- 62</b>
Desired Third Order	- 65

#### \*\* Optimum Operating Levels \*\*

# Item Trunk Bridger Extender

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10	15.5	14
21	28.5	27
31	44	41
51	44	

Trunk Operating Block Slope = 8 DB Feeder Operating Block Slope = 10 DB ACC/ASC Located Every 1 Trunk Station ABC Line Extenders Located Every 0 Station

#### \*\* System Performance \*\*

Trunk Bridger Extender.

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Noise		-46.99	46.93
Crossmod	• '	<del>-</del> 6/. <del>9</del> 8	61.46
Composite Beat		-65.98	59.46
Second Order		<b>-</b> 69.99	68.23
Third Order	~	~ ~ -73.98~~~~~~	71.60

Distortion at 68 Degrees to Meet Performance From 120 Degrees to 20 Degrees.

#### \*\* Unit Performance \*\*

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	Trunk	Bridger	Extender
Noise	60	65	63 1. 2 LES = 60 73 1. 2 LES = 67 71 1. 2 LES = 65
Crossmod	94	67	73
Composite Beat	92	65	71 5 2165 65
Second Order	83	73	71
Third Order	100	84	80

550 MHZ

# MAGNAVOX UNIT/SYSTEM PERFORMANCE 02/15/85

PD TRK / P-P BRG / P-P LEX (550 MHZ) SYSTEM LOCATION: TOTAL SYSTEM \*\*\*\*\* XXXXXXXXX TRUNK ONLY XXXXXXXXXX \*\*\*\* C/NSE C/CTE C/2ND **CHRMA** C/NSE C/CTB C/2ND CHRMA TRUNK CSD 56.35 92.00 83.00 0.00 58.78 66.70 0.00 1 60.00 54.79 58.59 66.60 0.00 79.99 0.00 2 56.99 85.98 58.41 66.50 0.00 0.00 53.65 3 55.23 82.46 78.23 79.96 76.98 0.00 52.74 58.23 66.40 0.00 4 53.98 0.00 51.99 58.05 66.31 0.00 5 78.02 76.01 53.01 57.88 66.22 0.00 6 52.22 76.44 75.22 0.00 51.36 74.55 57.71 66.12 0.00 7 75.10 0.00 50.80 51.55 57.54 66.04 0.00 73.94 73.97 0.00 50.31 8 50.97 57.38 65.95 0.00 9 72.92 73.46 0.00 49.86 50.46 72.00 57.22 73.00 0.00 49.46 65.87 0.00 10 50.00 49.09 57.06 65.78 0.00 49.59 71.17 72.59 0.00 11 0.00 0.00 48.76 56.91 65.70 12 49.21 70.42 72.21 48.44 56.76 65.62 0.00 69.72 0.00 13 48.86 71.86 69.08 71.54 0.00 48.15 56.61 65.54 0.00 14 48.54 0.00 47.87 56.46 65.46 0.00 48.24 68.48 71.24 15 0.00 47.61 56.32 65.39 47.96 67.92 70.96 0.00 16 0.00 47.37 56.18 65.31 0.00 17 47.70 67.39 70.70 0.00 47.14 56.04 65.24 0.00 70.45 47.45 66.89 18 0.00 46.92 55,90 65.17 0.00 47.21 66.42 70.21 19 55.76 65.10 0.00 20 46.99 65.98 69.99 0.00 46.71 0.00 46.51 55.63 65.03 0.00 21 46.78 65.56 69.78 69.58 46.32 55.50 64.96 0.00 46.58 0.00 22 65.15 64.89 46.38 64.77 69.38 0.00 46.14 55.37 0.00 23 0.00 45.97 55.24 64.82 0.00 24 46.20 64.40 69.20 45.80 55.12 64.76 0.00 25 46.02 64.04 69.02 0.00 0.00 45.64 55.00 64.69 0.00 26 45.85 63.70 68.85 54.87 0.00 0.00 45.48 64.63 27 45.69 63.37 68.69 0.00 45.33 54.75 64.57 0.00 28 45.53 63.06 68.53 54.64 29 45.38 62.75 68.38 0.00 45.18 64.51 0.00 54.52 0.00 0.00 45.04 64.44 45.23 62.46 68.23 30 44.91 54.40 0.00 62.17 0.00 64.38 31 45.09 68.09 0.00 44.77 54.29 64.33 0.00 32 44.95 61.90 67.95 54.18 0.00 44.64 64.27 33 44.81 61.63 67.81 0.00 44.52 54.07 0.00 34 0.00 64.21 44.69 61.37 67.69 44.56 0.00 44.40 53.96 64.15 0.00 35 61.12 67.56

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#### FEDERAL EXPRESSS

Mr. Robert E. Smith **Executive Director** Sacramento Metropolitan Cable Television Commission 700 H Street, Room 2500 Sacramento, California 95801-1280

Dear Bob:

This letter will provide our recommmendations in regard to the Sacramento Cable Television Alternative System Design Request of February 20, 1985. Subject to the stipulations and conditions which follow, it is our recommendation that the alternative system design for a 550 MHz single-cable system for Sacramento be approved.

#### 550 MHz Plant Initially Activated To 450 MHz

Sacramento Cable Television (SCT) proposes a single-cable subscriber network with trunk and feeder amplifiers spaced for 550 MHz, but initially activated only to 450 MHz.

SCT has provided Hammett & Edison with amplifier specifications and calculations for various combinations of conventional push-pull, power-doubling, and feedforward amplifier technologies. Based upon these technical specifications, and the stipulation by SCT that it will select as a minimum configuration a combination of active electronics meeting or exceeding a 46.7 dB carrier-to-noise ratio, a -57.8 dB cross-modulation ratio, and a -55.8 dB composite-triple-beat ratio at 550 MHz, the following technical performance is predicted at the most distant subscriber terminal:

	At 450 MHz	At 550 MHz (when activated)	Resolution Minimum
Carrier-to-noise ratio Cross-modulation ratio	47.9 dB -56.1	46.6 dB -55.9	45.4 dB -51.3
Composite-triple-beat ratio	-54.8	-54.0	-53.3

The above figures include the effects of the proposed AM microwave distribution system in the unfaded state. Because of the improved performance of power-doubling and feed-forward amplifiers, and the addition of two hubs to compensate for the reduced "reach" of a 550 MHz system compared to a 400 MHz system, it is possible to obtain an improvement in the net system performance.

## Change to Master Hub Design

SCT now proposes a master hub design, utilizing AM microwave to distribute programs to six hubs. Five hubs would serve Sacramento City and County and Folsom, and a sixth hub would serve Galt. A single satellite receive-only facility would be installed at the downtown master hub, with microwave distribution of satellite signals to other hubs, as opposed to satellite receiving facilities at each hub. We have reviewed in detail the Hughes proposal for an 80-channel microwave system. We recommend accepting an all-AML microwave distribution system for the Sacramento system subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The Folsom and Galt paths must employ "space-combining" techniques to increase the effective transmit power, and must utilize at least 10-foot diameter transmit and receive antennas.
- 2. The Carmichael path, and any other path exceeding 10 miles may be required to utilize space-combining techniques and 10-foot diameter transmit and receive antennas, if deemed necessary by Hammett & Edison.
- 3. A revised frequency coordination study must be performed, to correct for geographical coordinate errors in the initial study, and the apparent discrepancies in the frequency coordinator's data base for various broadcast microwave facilities in the 13 GHz band must be resolved to our satisfaction.
- 4. The frequency coordination study must successfully clear at least 53 six-MHz video channels plus spectrum for the FM broadcast band, and these channels be successfully licensed by the Federal Communications Commission. To this end, it is imperative that SCT immediately file for the cleared frequencies.
- 5. Each microwave receive site must employ hot-standby receiving facilities, with the appropriate switching capabilities. The master-hub must employ hot-standby equipment for those critical portions of the microwave transmitter which could cause a system-wide outage.
- 6. Tests must be conducted on the 20-mile Folsom path and the 24-mile Galt path for a summer period of up to three months, utilizing a strip chart recorder and the actual antennas which will be permanently installed, to verify that satisfactory path performance exists. In the event that

Hammett & Edison concludes that such tests reveal unacceptable reliability, SCT must agree to take mitigating measures, including installation of diversity receiving antennas, construction of a stand-alone headend or such other steps as deemed necessary by Hammett & Edison to insure satisfactory reliability.

## Path Reliability Calculations

It is possible to estimate the reliability of a given microwave path if certain parameters are known. The model for estimating reliability due to multipath fading is based upon work by Barnett and Vigants of Bell Telephone Laboratories and considers frequency, path length, fade margin, intervening terrain, and climate. The fade margin is a measure by which the received signal, under normal (non-faded) conditions, exceeds the level necessary for a given signal-to-noise ratio. The model for estimating reliability due to rain attenuation is based upon the International Radio Consultative Committee (CCIR) model and Crane's model for effective path length. While these models for estimating reliability of a microwave system are in common usage, it should be realized that they are estimates.

For the Folsom microwave path a comparison has been made of the estimated reliability of the AM microwave system now proposed to the FM microwave system originally proposed, with the following results:

	Original Proposal	Present Proposal
Estimated reliability to 33.2 dB carrier-to-noise ratio ("signal outage" criteria)	>99.999% 0.01 hours/year 0.1 seconds/day	>99.999% 0.09 hours/year 0.9 seconds/day
Estimated reliability to 45.0 dB carrier-to-noise ratio	99.993% 0.65 hours/year 6.4 seconds/day	99.965% 3.3 hours 33 seconds/day
Estimated reliability to 45.4 dB carrier-to-noise ratio (Resolution minimum)	99.940% 5.3 hours/year 52 seconds/day	99.953% 4.1 hours/year 40 seconds/day

Some comments on the above numbers are appropriate. A fade margin of 40 dB or greater is considered desirable in a microwave system, and a system reliability figure of 99.99% is recommended by Electronics Industries Association Standard RS-250-B. While 99.99% reliability may appear to be extremely high, this still represents 53 minutes of outage per year, although the outage would not be expected to occur in a single 53-minute incident. Although the AM microwave system now proposed has an estimated reliability during deeper fades which is several times

worse than the originally-proposed FM microwave system, the AML system still exceeds the RS-250-B standard; it is our opinion that the difference is not significant. It is our judgment that, given the stipulations discussed above, the all-AML microwave distribution system is of comparable reliability to the microwave system originally proposed. Due to the use of high-power AML transmitters and space-combining techniques, the estimated reliability for the path to Galt improves over the original proposal.

We wish to clearly state that on the longer microwave paths, there is a possibility of a propagation anomaly referred to as "beam bending", which is not considered in the multipath and rain attenuation models. Beam bending may occur when the microwave signal passes through relatively stagnant air with different refractive indices, causing the beam to be refracted, or bent, from the expected path. Because there is no recognized model for predicting this phenomenon, we are conditioning our recommendation on the inclusion of path tests for Folsom and Galt, to be conducted at appropriate seasons.

## Tower Required for Galt

Because of the increased length of the path to Galt, the proposed receive antenna height on the Galt water tower will be insufficient to provide at least one Fresnel zone clearance. Accordingly, the Galt hub will require a tower of sufficient height to place the receive antenna at least 105 feet above ground level. Greater height would be required in the event space diversity reception is deemed necessary. The requirement for a tower at Galt may make it impractical to serve Galt during the second year of construction, as was suggested by SCT. It should likewise be noted that, if space-diversity reception is deemed necessary for Folsom, construction of a moderate height tower at the Folsom hub would probably be required.

#### Adequate System Capacity at 450 MHz

The revised channel line-up submitted by SCT proposes carriage of 52 video channels. Three more channels should be considered as committed for Channel 29 in Sacramento and Channels 58 and 64 in Stockton, which hold FCC construction permits and would be entitled to mandatory carriage. Three additional video channels should be considered as reserved to meet the requirements for 20 MHz of institutional carriage on the subscriber network. Activation of the 550 MHz single-cable system to 450 MHz would provide a 60 video channel capability, and would accommodate the 52 immediately-needed video channels, the three channels reserved for future local television broadcast stations, and three channels for institutional use.

### Capability of Microwave System to Support 550 MHz Cable Distribution System

The Compucon frequency coordination study dated February 25, 1985, indicated that 53 video channels plus the FM broadcast spectrum could be licensed in Sacramento. Although this study must be redone to correct multiple errors in site

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coordinates and power levels, we consider it likely that Community Antenna Relay Service (CARS) microwave frequencies to support at least 53 video channels plus the FM broadcast band can ultimately be obtained. In the event additional microwave frequencies for future channel expansion cannot be obtained when needed, up to 16 microwave channels could be made available by the following techniques:

- A. Utilize direct off-air pick-up at each hub of all local television stations. This could free up to nine microwave channels.
- B. Utilize direct off-air pick-up at each hub of all FM broadcast signals. This could free up to three microwave channels.
- C. Locally generate at each hub cable channel 14 (AP Sports News), cable channel 15 (AP Sports Scores), cable channel 29 (Channel Directory), and cable channel 44 (Financial News/Stock Reports/Local Time and Weather). This could free up to four microwave channels.

Assumning that at least 53 microwave channels have been licensed, by adopting the above techniques it would be possible to support up to a 69-channel cable system. Thus, it appears that there are immediately available sufficient microwave frequencies to support a fully-loaded 450 MHz, 60-channel, cable system. When system activation to 550 MHz, or 77 channels, is triggered, between 61 and 77 microwave channels would be required. Present FCC Rules for CARS microwave stations allow up to 71 six-MHz channels. It is conceivable that up to 80 channels would be possible with an FCC waiver, although we consider it unlikely that a waiver for the top nine channels of the E-Group CARS frequencies could be obtained.

We thus conclude that the SCT proposal to utilize all AML microwave for downstream distribution has a theoretical capacity to support a 77 channel cable system. Whether or not at least 61 microwave channels could be licensed at some future date, when the full 550 MHz capacity is needed, would depend on the state of the microwave spectrum at that future date.

Possible interference from mobile users. The 13 GHz CARS band is shared with the Television Auxiliary Broadcast Service. Because this service includes mobile users, it is possible that occasional interference may be received. We do not consider this to be a significant threat, and FCC Rule Section 74.602(f) requires TV pick-up stations using the 13 GHz band to protect community antenna relay stations.

# Hub Return Interconnect Capacity

SCT has indicated to us that the alternative system design will utilize 30 MHz supertrunk returns from each hub (including Galt). While this represents much less return interconnect capacity than originally proposed, it is our judgment that this will still provide sufficient capacity to support the foreseeable return interconnect needs for the subscriber network.

Amplifier Pedestals. Conversion to a single-cable design would allow use of smaller amplifier pedestals and enclosures, but could require up to 17 percent more such pedestals, depending upon the ultimate amplifier configuration adopted. An equipment substitution request would be required for the smaller pedestals.

## Equipment Substitution Requests

The SCT alternative system design request will require equivalency findings for all active electronics, set-top converters, and taps and directional couplers. Based upon the preliminary data for the 450 MHz and 550 MHz Magnavox and Scientific Atlanta electronics supplied to us, we do not anticipate difficulty in reaching an equivalency finding for these items.

In regard to the SCT proposal to substitute 60% braid drop cable for the quad shield drop cable originally bid, SCT has informally indicated to us that the reference to a simple 60% braid drop cable in its February 20 alternative system design request was in error. The reference should have been to a 67% braid-plus-foil drop cable. Provided SCT agrees to utilize only messengered cable for aerial drops, we believe a finding of equivalency could be made. Upon receipt of a specific drop cable equivalency request, we will make a detailed evaluation.

Sincerely,

Dane E. Ericksen

# CERTIFICATE OF ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND UNDERTAKING

WHEREAS, the FRANCHISEE has requested that the COMMISSION approve certain technical changes to the design of the Sacramento cable television system, clarify the Franchise Documents with respect to additional issues, and assist it with respect to certain matters; and

WHEREAS, SCRIPPS-HOWARD BROADCASTING COMPANY, an Ohio corporation, is desirous of approving the amendments to the Franchise Resolution, as well as all other provisions contained in Resolution No. 85-

NOW, THEREFORE, SCRIPPS-HOWARD BROADCASTING COMPANY, an Ohio corporation, for itself, its successors, assigns and guarantors, hereby unconditionally, irrevocably and without reservation approves, agrees to and accepts the amendments to the Franchise Resolution and all other provisions set forth in Resolution No. 85-\_\_\_\_\_ dated March\_\_\_\_, 1985. By the execution, delivery and filing of this Certificate, the undersigned further:

- (1) To the extent provided in Section I-14 of the Franchise Resolution and its Certificate of Acceptance dated December 23, 1983, covenants and promises to faithfully undertake and perform each and every promise, covenant, commitment and undertaking contained in the Franchise Documents as amended by Resolution No. 85-
- (2) Represents and warrants that the execution and delivery of this Certificate has been duly authorized and approved by the Board of Directors of the undersigned;
- (3) Represents and warrants that the person who has executed this Certificate is duly authorized to do so by all necessary corporate action; and
- (4) Represents and warrants that the execution and delivery of this Certificate does not violate any provision of the Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws of the undersigned.

In witness whereof, this Certificate is executed effective March \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 1985.

SCRIPPS-HOWARD BROADCASTING COMPANY, an Ohio corporation

Its President

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- (2) Represents and warrants that the execution and delivery of this Certificate has been duly authorized and approved by the general partners the undersigned;
- (3)" Represents and warrants that the person who has executed this Certificate is duly authorized to do so by all necessary action of the FRANCHISEE; and
- (4) Represents and warrants that the execution and delivery of this Certificate does not violate any provision of the partnership agreement of the undersigned.

In witness whereof, this Certificate is executed effective March \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 1985.

SACRAMENTO CABLE TELEVISION

DONALD L. PERRIS.

President of SCRIPPS-HOWARD CABLE COMPANY OF SACRAMENTO, a Delaware corporation, a partner of the FRANCHISEE

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WHEREAS, SCRIPPS-HOWARD CABLE COMPANY OF SACRAMENTO, a Delaware corporation, is desirous of approving the amendments to the Franchise Resolution, as well as all other provisions contained in Resolution No. 85-\_\_\_\_;

NOW, THEREFORE, SCRIPPS-HOWARD CABLE COMPANY OF SACRAMENTO, a Delaware corporation, for itself, its successors, assigns and guarantors, hereby unconditionally, irrevocably and without reservation approves, agrees to and accepts the amendments to the Franchise Resolution and all other provisions set forth in Resolution No. 85-\_\_\_\_\_ dated March\_\_\_\_, 1985. By the execution, delivery and filing of this Certificate, the undersigned further:

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In witness whereof, this Certificate is executed effective March \_\_\_\_\_\_, 1985.

SCRIPPS-HOWARD CABLE COMPANY OF SACRAMENTO, a Delaware corporation

DONALD L. PERRIS

Its President

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WHEREAS, the FRANCHISEE has requested that the COMMISSION approve certain technical changes to the design of the Sacramento cable television system, clarify the Franchise Documents with respect to additional issues, and assist it with respect to certain matters; and

WHEREAS, RIVER CITY CABLEVISION, INC., a California corporation, is desirous of approving the amendments to the Franchise Resolution, as well as all other provisions contained in Resolution No. 85-\_\_\_\_\_;

NOW, THEREFORE, RIVER CITY CABLEVISION, INC., a California corporation, for itself, its successors, assigns and guarantors, hereby unconditionally, irrevocably and without reservation approves, agrees to and accepts the amendments to the Franchise Resolution and all other provisions set forth in Resolution No. 85
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RIVER CITY CABLEVISION, INC., a California corporation

RAYMOND T. BUTLER,

Its President