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Senator John W. Fonfara and Representative Steve Fontana, Co-Chairs
Energy and Technology Committee
Room 3900 Legislative Office Building
Hartford, CT 06106

RE: Raised Bill #5814 -
AN ACT CONCERNING COMMUNITY ACCESS TELEVISION

Dear Senator Fonfara, Representative Fontana and Committee Members:

With regard to the above captioned legislation, the Town of Wallingford is concerned that all providers of community access programming have the same requirements. We believe that the basic principle should be that companies providing community access channels should have to meet the requirements of a level playing field. The older cable television providers should not be placed at a disadvantage because of "new technology". Principles of fairness should not be sacrificed in the interest of technology changes. Ultimately, if necessary, technology should change in order to provide fairness in operating standards.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

William W. Dickinson, Jr.
Mayor

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