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Vincent M. Urbin
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April 6, 1995

Dear Public Utilities Commission of Ohio Members:

Avon Lake Subscribers of The Century Telephone Company of Ohio have acted in good faith to work with the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio and Century Telephone to negotiate "flat rate" telephone service for the City of Avon Lake. Residents have also been very thorough in providing requested information, and have been very patient in waiting for the PUCO to render its decision.

We are very disappointed that your statements to reach closure in September of 1994 and January of this year went unresolved. We are also alarmed that the PUCO has allowed the endless legal resources of Century Telephone to successfully shift the focus from the citizens' request for a flat rate to a corporation's wish for a revised Community Calling Service plan.

We would still like to believe that it is those who serve as public servants, not as corporate lawyers, who determine what is in the best interest of a community. Therefore, we encourage and challenge you to make a bold decision to grant our community a "flat rate" for telephone service. We understand the PUCO rarely renders this decision, but we believe the evidence presented by the citizens of our community clearly displays the truth and merit of a "flat rate" request being granted.

It is important for you to know that we believe our residents have been more than patient in waiting for a decision. Therefore, we are prepared to support a "writ of mandamus" if the PUCO does not render a decision. We would appreciate your prompt response.

Sincerely,

Vincent M. Urbin

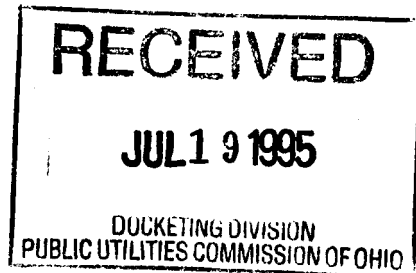
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- cc: Governor George Voinovich
- Senator Alan Zaleski
- State Representative John Bender
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- Junior Women's of Avon Lake
- Avon Lake City Council