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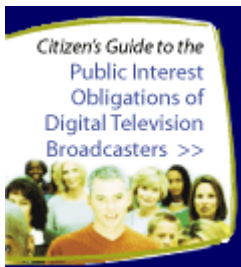
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Tozzi: Deep-six Localism Study Again

Submitted by Kevin on May 7, 2007 - 8:29am.

TOZZI: DEEP-SIX LOCALISM STUDY AGAIN

[SOURCE: Lasar's Letter on the FCC, AUTHOR: Matthew Lasar]

Jim Tozzi, a former Nixon and Reagan administration Office of Management and Budget (OMB) official now at the Center for Regulatory Effectiveness, thinks the FCC should ignore the localism study unearthed by Sen Barbara Boxer (D-CA) because it is a "third-party information submission" that doesn't comply with FCC and OMB standards because it uses "arbitrary and non-replicable methodology," "biased protocol," and fails to reveal its "underlying data." Tozzi believes the FCC should dump the study and all the comments that cite it on the FCC's localism and media-ownership dockets. Tozzi cc'd his list of technical torpedos to the Consumer's Union, the Consumer Federation of America, Free Press, the AFL-CIO, and the Institute for Public Representation, among other parties. Doubtless their replies will appear on the media ownership and localism dockets soon.

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