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Nashville, Tenn. – May 24, 2007 – “TV4US is extremely disappointed the Tennessee legislature will not take up the Competitive Cable and Video Services Act (SB 1933; HB 1421 this session.

“This is a good, pro-consumer bill that provides consumers and the state with many benefits.

“If passed into law, this bill would have provided consumers with a real choice of providers as well as cost savings on their bills and improved customer service. Local communities would have benefited from increased jobs brought on by competition. And contrary to media reports, they would have maintained their existing franchising fees and control over right-of-ways.

“Just last month, more than 14,000 Tennesseans told their legislators they want video franchise reform, but their voices weren’t heard. We are all very sorry that Tennessee consumers will not enjoy these benefits and local communities can’t recognize the benefits of this good, strong legislation.”

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