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January 12, 2018

Laurence Schott, Senior Director
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Dear Mr. Schott:

RE: OPPOSITION TO PROPOSED PUBLIC, EDUCATION, AND GOVERNMENT (PEG) CHANNEL LOCATION CHANGES

I recently became aware that Charter Communications dba Spectrum is proposing to change and re-locate the Public, Education, and Government (PEG) current channel allocations on Kaua'i and throughout the State of Hawai'i. Please be assured this movement will not be in the best interest of the citizens on our island and as such, not in the best interest in serving cable customers in Hawai'i. I am writing as an individual Councilmember and Council Chair of the Kaua'i County Council.

Ho'ike: Kaua'i Community Television (Ho'ike), Kaua'i's PEG operator, has performed in an outstanding manner in engaging and informing our community (residents and visitors alike). Our representative government depends upon the broadcast services to reach and involve our constituents. For more than 25 years we have counted on Ho'ike and the consistency of our government channel location to best serve our island.

Our County as well as the State Legislature has a unique opportunity to communicate with our residents via the PEG services. Any change to our current channel assignment would be detrimental to our efforts and could cause great harm to our ability to effectively connect with the people of Kaua'i. The all-digital migration will also be an issue with our *kupuna* who are not particularly savvy with current modern technology systems. The proposed changes will be harmful to the County and our cable viewers, and cause a tremendous financial burden on an already underfunded PEG operation.

We are aware that in the digital migration of your cable services in greater Los Angeles, the PEG assigned channels remained at the same location and we request the same treatment and consideration. With that in mind, we respectfully request Spectrum not move or relocate any of the PEG Access channel numbers on the Kaua'i system. We also offer that any move on the other islands would result in the same dilemmas. It is our hope that you will see the merit and advantage of our suggestion and request. We wish to have our PEG channels remain at their current location.

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Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions or need additional details about efforts to keep Ho'ike's PEG channels as they are. I can be reached at (808) 241-4188.

Sincerely,



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