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To the C-SPAN Network:

At the conclusion of many C-SPAN broadcasts there is a written notice stating that C-SPAN is supported (paid for) by the various cable companies as a public service to cable viewers.

If it is intended to be a public service, how come it is not part of the basic service fee, but of the premium basic? When cable companies were recently required to provide more equitable rates they complied, but also changed their definitions of what constitutes "basic service." Please see copies of the enclosed "before and after" channel listings which indicate what is basic and what is premium basic.

It occurred to me that the cable companies must be getting a tax break for supporting C-SPAN. What exactly defines a "public service" action on the part of cable companies and what public access is mandatory by law before a cable company can state that it is performing a public service?

C-SPAN is one of the two main reasons that I wanted to subscribe to cable. But I am boycotting their redefining of "basic" and as of this month will only subscribe to the basic 2-13 channels.

Please let me know if cable companies can legally relegate C-SPAN to the higher rate. And even if they legally can, something does not sound right or fair about it.

Sincerely,

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June 16th, 1993

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BURLINGTON

Channel Card



Effective March 29, 1993

#	CHANNEL	PROGRAMMING
2	CBUT*	Canadian Broadcasting
3	HBO (P)	Exclusive Movies & Specials
4	KOMO*	ABC, Seattle
5	KING*	NBC, Seattle
6	Preview Channel	Electronic TV Guide
7	KIRO*	CBS, Seattle
8	BCTV*	Canadian Programming
9	KCTS*	PBS, Seattle
10	The Disney Channel (P)	Family Entertainment
11	KSTW*	Independent, Tacoma
12	KVOS*	Independent, Bellingham
13	KCPQ*	FOX, Tacoma
14	Encore (P)	Movies from the 60's, 70's & 80's
15	American Movie Classics	Hollywood Classics
17	Cinemax (P)	24-Hour Movies
19	The Family Channel	Family Variety Programming
20	MTV	Music Videos
21	C-SPAN	Congress in Action
22	Lifetime	Lifestyle Programming
23	Prime Sports Northwest	Regional Sports
24	ESPN	24-Hour Sports
25	USA	Variety, Sports, & Movies
26	TNT	Movies & Variety Programming
27	Court TV	Courtroom Coverage
28	The Weather Channel	Local & National Weather Reports
29	The Discovery Channel	Documentaries and Travel
30	CNN Headline News	Half-Hour Headlines
31	C-SPAN 2	Senate in Action
32	VISN/ACTS	Inspirational Programming
33	QVC	Home Shopping
34	TNN	Country Variety
35	CNN	24-Hour World News
36	CNBC	Consumer News & Business
37	PPV	Pay Per View Events

*Included in Basic Service. All other channels included in Expanded Basic Service except those denoted by (P) which indicates a Premium Channel available for additional charge. Packages and rates are subject to change.

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Expanded
Basic in
3/93

Channel Card

Burlington, WA

Effective July 1992

#	Channel	Programming
2	CNN	24-hour world news
3	HBO	Exclusive movies, sports & Specials
4	KOMO	ABC, Seattle
5	KING	NBC, Seattle
6	Lifetime	Lifestyle programming
7	KIRO	CBS, Seattle
8	The Discovery Channel	Documentaries and travel
9	KCTS	Public Broadcasting System
10	The Disney Channel	Family entertainment
11	KSTW	Independent, Tacoma
12	KVOS	Independent, Bellingham
13	KCPQ	Independent, Tacoma
14	Encore	Movies from the 60's, 70's & 80's
15	American Movie Classics*	Hollywood classics
16	CNBC	Consumer news & business
17	Cinemax	24-hour movies
19	The Family Channel	Family variety programming
20	MTV	Music Videos
21	C-SPAN	Congress in action
22	CHAN (8)	
23	Prime Sports Northwest*	Regional sports
24	ESPN*	24-hour sports
25	USA Network*	Variety, sports, & movies
26	TNT*	Movies & variety
27	Court-TV	Courtroom coverage
28	The Weather Channel	Local & national reports
29	CBUT	Canadian Broadcasting
30	Headline News	Half-hour headlines
31	C-SPAN II	Senate in Action
32	VISN	Inspirational programming
33	QVC	Shopping channel
34	TNN	Country variety
37	Pay Per View	Special Events

Bold indicates Premium channel available at additional monthly charge.

* Optional Expanded Basic Service
Programming packages and rates are subject to change.



TCI Cablevision of Washington, Inc.

Expanded Basic
in 7/92