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Mr. Randall Stephenson  
CEO  
AT&T  
208 South Akard St.  
Dallas, TX 75202

Dear Mr. Stephenson:

I am writing regarding the failed contract negotiation between your company and Nexstar Media Group. This dispute is impacting multiple markets across Louisiana with channel blackouts at the height of hurricane season.

While I take no sides in negotiations between two for-profit companies, I am concerned that your failure to reach an agreement is negatively impacting Louisiana families. I am especially concerned about customers losing access to up-to-date weather information in the event that the tropical depression currently forming in the Gulf of Mexico turns into a hurricane.

I encourage you to accept Nexstar's offer of a short-term extension while you resolve your differences. An extension will allow Louisiana families to watch local news broadcasts, including important weather updates.

Sincerely,



John Kennedy  
United States Senator

cc: Nexstar Media Group Inc.