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*** * * PRESS STATEMENT * * ***

(Washington) The following statement was released today by the Independent Telephone & Telecommunications Alliance (ITTA):

"ITTA applauds Congresswomen Eshoo and Lofgren for introducing the 'Video CHOICE Act.'

ITTA members have long been advocates for meaningful reform of the 1992 Cable Act to bring consumers greater choice through enhanced competition. ITTA is pleased Congresswomen Eshoo and Lofgren recognize that the retransmission consent regime is broken and that Congress must intervene on behalf of consumers.

ITTA is optimistic that with Congresswomen Eshoo and Lofgren's leadership the "Video CHOICE Act" will encourage further debate and, ultimately, reform of the outdated and anti-consumer retransmission consent rules."

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ITTA represents mid-size communications companies that provide a broad range of high quality wireline and wireless voice, broadband, Internet, and video services to 20 million access lines in 44 states.