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## **Shenandoah Telecommunications Company Supports Retransmission Consent Reform in Representative Anna Eshoo's Video CHOICE Act**

### **Announces Support of the Video CHOICE Act Introduced Today by Representative Anna Eshoo, Democrat of California**

EDINBURG, Va., Dec. 12, 2013 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Shenandoah Telecommunications Company ("Shentel") (Nasdaq:SHEN) Chief Operating Officer Earle MacKenzie, an American Cable Association Board Member, issued the following statement in support of the Video CHOICE Act introduced today by Rep. Anna Eshoo, Democrat of California:

"Rep. Eshoo's bill is great news because it would address significant problems within the retransmission consent market, which I described at length in recent testimony before the House Judiciary Committee. It is time to overhaul the 1992 Cable Act because broadcasters should not be allowed to black out millions of innocent pay-TV consumers or charge excessive carriage fees to Shentel and other pay-TV providers for the right to retransmit 'free' TV signals.

"Shentel urges Congress to embrace with speed the reform proposals in Rep. Eshoo's bill because retransmission consent reform is an issue that impacts every consumer that subscribes to a video package."

#### **About Shenandoah Telecommunications**

Shenandoah Telecommunications Company (Shentel) provides a broad range of diversified communications services through its high speed, state-of-the-art network to customers in the Mid-Atlantic United States. The Company's services include: wireless voice and data; cable video, internet and voice; fiber network and services; and local and long distance telephone. Shentel is the exclusive personal communications service ("PCS") Affiliate of Sprint in portions of Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia and West Virginia. For more information, please visit [www.shentel.com](http://www.shentel.com).

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