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Dear Mr. Siegel:

Enclosed for your review is the quarterly issues/programs report from KCNC-TV covering the period April 1, 2007 through June 30, 2007. Please contact me if you have any questions or comments.

Best regards,

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**Quarterly Issues/Programs Report  
Second Quarter  
2007**

**April 1, 2007– June 30, 2007**

## **KCNC-TV QUARTERLY ISSUES/PROGRAMS LIST**

Attached are listings of broadcasts or broadcast segments, which, in the station's judgment, reflect the station's most significant programming treatment of ascertained community issues during the period from April 1, 2007 – June 30, 2007.

KCNC broadcasts both locally produced and network programming. Although we include only local programs herein, KCNC also broadcasts several network programs including Face The Nation, 60 Minutes and 48 Hours, which we believe also serve community needs and interests.

### **PROGRAM INDEX**

**CBS4 MORNING** - Regularly scheduled news broadcast dealing with timely news and other subjects of general interest to viewers in the metropolitan area.  
Duration: Two hours Monday - Friday 5:00 am - 7:00am. One hour Saturday 7:00am - 8:00am. Two hours Sunday 6:00am – 8:00am.

**CBS4 AT NOON** - Regularly scheduled news broadcast dealing with timely news and other subjects of general interest to viewers in the metropolitan area.  
Duration: One half-hour Monday - Friday, 12:00pm - 12:30pm

**CBS4 AT 5** - Regularly scheduled news broadcast dealing with timely news and other subjects of general interest to viewers in the metropolitan area.  
Duration: One half-hour Monday – Friday, 5:00pm – 5:30pm. One hour Saturday – Sunday, 5:00pm – 6:00pm.

**CBS4 AT 6** – Regularly scheduled news broadcast dealing with timely news and other subjects of general interest to viewers in the metropolitan area.  
Duration: One half-hour Monday – Saturday, 6:00pm – 6:30pm.

**CBS4 AT 6:30** – Regularly scheduled news broadcast dealing with timely news and other subjects of general interest to viewers in the metropolitan area.  
Duration: One half-hour Monday – Friday, 6:30pm – 7:00pm.

**CBS4 AT 10** - Regularly scheduled news broadcast dealing with timely news and other subjects of general interest to viewers in the metropolitan area.  
Duration: Thirty five minutes Monday – Sunday, 10:00pm - 10:35pm

**CBS4 YOUR HEALTH** - Dr. Dave Hnida reports on recent developments in medicine  
Duration: One minute and thirty seconds Mondays – Fridays, 4:00pm newscast

**WEDNESDAY'S CHILD** – Brooke Wagner highlights a child waiting to be adopted from the Adoption Exchange.  
Duration: One minute and forty-five seconds. Wednesdays, 12:00pm, 4:00pm and 10:00pm newscasts

**COLORADO GETAWAYS** - Regularly scheduled half-hour show features places to go and things to see throughout Colorado.  
Duration: One half hour – Saturday, 6:30pm

## ISSUES

### **EDUCATION – Public School System, High School Drop-Out Rate, Higher Education**

CBS4 MORNING - 04/06/07 - Governor Bill Ritter, his wife Jeannie and their son August were at the State Capitol to draw attention to the price of higher education. 06/01/07 Arrupe Jesuit High School was started four years ago. Its purpose is to break the cycle of poverty through work and education.

CBS4 AT NOON - 04/23/07 Denver Public Schools is considering closing schools as a way to restore the district to financial health.

CBS4 AT 5 - 03/13/07 Governor Ritter's proposal would freeze property taxes when they are expected to go down, and would amount to an \$84 million annual commitment to school funding.

CBS4 AT 6 and CBS4 AT 6:30 – 04/05/07 Six-hundred students in traditional Denver middle schools have left, in the last year. 04/24/07 Governor Ritter is trying to create a world-class education system for Colorado's Children. He's forming a P-20 Education Council which will undertake educational reforms from pre-school to "Grade 20". 04/26/07 Former Colorado Governor Roy Romer launched the "Ed in 08" campaign, to bring education to the top line of issues. 05/01/07 The Senate has approved a school funding bill that freezes property taxes, and is expected to raise \$1.7 billion dollars for education over the next 11 years. 05/21/07 Tim Marquez's Denver Scholarship Foundation is enabling hundreds of Denver Public School students to go on to higher education.

CBS4 AT 10 – 04/09/07 The House of Representatives gave final approval to a bill on sex education in Colorado's schools. 05/09/07 Governor Ritter will sign a bill that he says will preserve the state education fund. 04/23/07 Former mayors Pena and Webb, and Qwest's CEO Dick Notebaert are among those trying to guide Denver Public Schools to improve achievement and boost enrollment.

### **HEALTHCARE – High Cost, Uninsured**

CBS4 MORNING – 04/26/07 Wal-Mart is expanding its in-store healthcare to as many as 400 more clinics in the next three years. 05/18/07 Colorado's Asian community remains one of the most underserved and under-insured minority groups in the state. So, a group called Colorado Asian Health Education and Promotion goes into the Asian Community offering free health screening. 05/29/07 Barack Obama is expected to unveil a new plan for universal healthcare coverage, which he says will save the average consumer \$2,500 a year.

CBS4 AT 5 – 04/08/07 The cost of the Iraq War has caused spending cuts in federal programs, which could affect healthcare in Colorado. Twenty-four hospitals in Colorado are at risk of losing federal funding. 05/30/07 Governor Ritter is focusing on mental health, and improving care in our state. One of the three measures he signed into law adds post-traumatic stress disorder, drug and alcohol addiction and anorexia to the list of conditions that insurance companies must cover.

CBS4 AT 6 and CBS4 AT 6:30 – 04/24/07 A new report shows that overweight employees make more injury claims than their fit colleagues, therefore causing health insurance premiums to go up for their co-workers. 05/31/07 Governor Ritter signed a bill which will create “medical homes” to treat the 180,000 children in Colorado who have no access to healthcare. A “medical home” would provide basic health, dental and preventative care. 06/01/07 The Summit Community Care Clinic charges patients based on their income. They estimate that over 40% of their patients have no medical insurance.

CBS4 AT 10 - 06/25/07 Michael Moore’s latest movie, Sicko, spotlights US healthcare and the insurance industry, making a case for socialized health care.

### **NON-PROFITS – Competition for Contributions**

CBS4 MORNING – 04-06-08 The Ameristar Casino is packaging up food from its buffet, which previously would have been thrown away, and giving it to the Food Bank of the Rockies. They then distribute it to non-profit organizations like nursing homes and day care centers. 04/22/07 A local non-profit group called “The Park People” is planting 100 flowering trees along a mile-long stretch of Bruce Randolph Avenue. 06/12/07 The Salvation Army and the Denver Rescue Mission kicked off their “Hunger Doesn’t Take a Vacation” food drive.

CBS4 AT 5 – 06/02/07 People volunteered their time for the “Concert for Kids” organization and spent the day at the Denver Children’s Home, which is the oldest non-profit in the state, and has been in the same building for 132 years.

### **HOUSING – Homelessness, Lack of Affordable Housing**

CBS4 MORNING – 04/19/07 Much needed temporary housing is scheduled to arrive in Holly, following last month’s deadly tornado. 05/25/07 Vacancies for rental housing units in the metro area are at their lowest levels since 2001.

CBS4 AT 5 – 04/03/07 UMB Bank kicked off its annual Quarters for Kids Campaign, challenging 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> graders to find ways to raise money to help homeless children. 04/13/07 A ten-year-old girl hosted a birthday party celebration for homeless children. 04/26/07 The Bush administration extended the aid program so that families displaced by hurricanes Katrina and Rita will get federal housing assistance through March of 2009. 06/01/07 Colorado has some new laws aimed at cutting the record number of foreclosures in our state, where the number jumped 30% from 2005 to 2006. The laws create tough penalties for unscrupulous lenders and mortgage fraud. 06/13/07 A new study reports nearly 12,000 homeless people statewide and more than 8,400 homeless in the metro area. Of those, 60% are families with children.

CBS4 AT 6 – 04/05/07 The Vail town council has approved new construction rules, in the hope that they will allow more people who work in Vail, to live there. The rules require that ten percent of all new home projects be affordable housing and the developers of commercial space must provide housing for 20% of the people who will be employed. 05/16/07 The city is planning to open its winter homeless shelters 24 hours a day during the Democratic National Convention, and will set up security zones around the Pepsi center, including along parts of the South Platte River where homeless people like to hang out. 06/06/07 The National Association of Realtors has predicted that the slump in the housing market is expected to get worse.

CBS4 AT 10 – 04/12/07 Denver's Homeless Meter Program seems to be a success. So far, the city has collected \$2,000 in the meters which goes to homeless programs. 05/21/07 A website that forecasts housing sales across the country reports more than half the nation's housing markets are appreciating or have stabilized. However, the website is projecting that the average home price will drop seven percent this year in Denver.

### **AIRLINES, AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL - Inadequacy of air traffic control, poor customer service by airlines**

CBS4 MORNING – 04/08/07 Northwest Airlines apologized to nearly 200 passengers, after one of its pilots apparently had a fit and the flight had to be cancelled. 04/24/07 United Airlines has begun using part of the B-Concourse at DIA, which is the new home for United's Regional Jet Facility. 04/26/07 Frontier Airlines will soon start service to Baton Rouge, Louisiana, nearly two years after Hurricane Katrina forced them to cancel their Louisiana flights. 05/09/07 A United flight from Denver to Dallas was delayed for nearly two hours after a box cutter was found on the plane. 05/23/07 The US Department of Transportation has approved Frontier Airlines to fly between Denver and San Jose, Costa Rica. 06/07/07 Strong winds forced airlines to cancel dozens of flights at Denver International Airport. 06/19/07 United Airlines and Frontier Airlines are installing new kiosks and upgrading their ticketing areas to accommodate anticipated extra travelers this summer.

CBS4 AT NOON – 04/02/07 A study of airlines shows a rise in passengers getting bumped and bags getting lost. Only three out of every four flights landed on time in 2006. Analysts predict more delays until the air traffic control system is improved. 05/23/07 United Airlines will be scheduling some of its flights to depart an average of 15 minutes earlier, this summer.

CBS4 AT 5 – 05/05/07 Airport officials say a United airlines plane was struck by lightning as it pulled back from the gate at DIA. 05/26/07 This Memorial Day weekend, about 3% more people are considering flying rather than driving on their vacations. Four-and-a-half million people will be flying. 06/08/07 The US Government suspended a new rule requiring passports for airline passengers traveling to Mexico or Canada. The rule had created a massive backlog for passport applications. 06/21/07 This summer, with planes flying at near capacity, getting bumped could leave passengers waiting not just hours, but days, for another flight. If you are forced to give up your seat, know your rights. You're entitled to up to \$400 for your troubles.

CBS4 AT 6 – 04/23/07 The Transportation Security Administration has a new plan to track suspicious airline passengers. It is modeled after security measures in Israel. 04/25/07 United Airlines reported a loss of \$1.32 per share, which they attribute to softer domestic air travel and low cost competition. 05/10/07 Jet Blue has replaced its CEO, David Neeleman, who was also its founder. 06/08/07 The FAA says the nation's Air Traffic Control System, located in Atlanta, suffered a computer failure. 06/19/07 United Airlines says it will hire up to 100 pilots beginning late this year and will also bring back pilots who had been furloughed. 06/20/07 Last week, a bill mandating passenger rights made its way through the Senate Commerce Committee. 06/27/07 In November, Southwest Airlines will add 14 new flights, and five new cities to its Denver schedule.

CBS4 AT 10 – 04/12/07 Some airlines are taking a proactive approach, and canceling flights before the storm. 04/23/07 A Frontier Airlines plane on its way to Denver had to make an emergency landing in Atlanta. 05/14/07 In the latest customer satisfaction survey conducted by the University of Michigan, United Airlines ranked last and Southwest Airlines finished first. Airlines were graded for unhappy employees, lost or delayed luggage and increasing fuel costs. 05/29/07 The government is warning some airline passengers to get checked for tuberculosis now that a man has been quarantined after possibly exposing people on two trans-Atlantic flights. 06/13/07 A group working for passengers' rights claims that most airlines are lousy at customer service. The group gave American, United and US Airways "F's" for customer service. Southwest received a "B" and none received an "A". 06/27/07 Severe weather in the Midwest caused American Airlines to cancel more than a dozen flights heading into Chicago O'Hare Airport.

## **IMMIGRATION – Controversy**

CBS4 MORNING – 04/28/07 President Bush will speak at a college commencement ceremony in Miami, where he's expected to focus part of his speech on immigration reform; specifically tougher border enforcement and guest visas for millions of undocumented workers. 05/01/07 People from across the state joined the "Rights for all People" walk and rally for immigration reform in Denver. Organizers say they're upset about a recent string of immigration raids, and they want to put pressure on Congress to change immigration laws. 05/03/07 A new group called "Colorado Employers for Immigration Reform" is pushing for change dealing with immigrants here in Colorado. Similar groups have been established in Texas, Arizona and Florida. 05/04/07 In the first debate among ten Republican presidential candidates, the candidates talked about the war in Iraq, taxes, abortion and immigration. 05/17/08 Tom Selders, the Mayor of Greeley, is in Washington, DC pushing for immigration reform after seeing the effects of the Swift Meatpacking Plant raid on local families. 05/30/07 Citizenship fees will increase from \$400 to \$675. The fee for a legal permanent resident application will jump from \$325 to more than \$1000. 06/15/07 President Bush's support of a plan to provide more money for border security, helped revive the stalled immigration bill. 06/20/07 The Associated Press says one amendment to the immigration bill would bar illegal immigrants from getting green cards, and another would limit legalization to immigrants who have been in the US four years or more.

CBS4 AT NOON – 05/18/07 The group that brokered a bi-partisan bill to reform immigration in this country, now begins the work to gather enough votes for it to pass congress. 06/26/07 The debate over the immigration bill continues to be the disagreement over how it allows illegal immigrants in this nation to gain legal status.

CBS4 AT 6 – 04/09/07 President Bush is renewing his push for an immigration reform bill. He met with border control agents and visited a site in Yuma, Arizona, where a fence is going up to prevent illegal border crossings. 05/17/07 Millions of illegal immigrants could quickly get legal status under an immigration bill proposed in Washington, DC. It would include a point system that would use education and skill level to determine how quickly a green card is issued. Illegal immigrants would have to pay fines and fees but could get on track for permanent residency, and the US would fortify its border to stop the flow of illegal immigrants. 05/18/07 Immigration arrests have created a shortage of labor of up to 30% for Colorado farming. 06/12/07 President Bush lobbied members of his own party to resurrect and pass his immigration bill.

CBS4 AT 6 – 05/09/07 The Denver Human Services Department says it investigates more than 11,000 cases of child abuse and neglect every year. 05/11/07 June Candelario was sentenced to three years in prison, plus one year probation, for locking her grandson in a dog kennel from age 7 to 13. She was initially charged with 40 counts of child abuse. 05/18/07 Darcie Esson, a high school teacher accused of having sex with a 17-year-old student, is charged with a new count of sexual assault on a child by a person in a position of trust. 06/18/07 The Child Exploitation and Online Protection Center has identified 700 suspected predators from around the world and rescued 31 children from harm.

CBS4 AT 10 – 04/08/07 Paramedics were unable to resuscitate a three-year-old girl with signs of physical abuse. Her mother has now been charged with misdemeanor child abuse. 04/16/07 The Department of Human Services has ordered the Pumpkin Patch Day Care facility in Copper Mountain closed after reports of child abuse. 05/08/07 a couple from Louisville have turned themselves in, more than a year after the death of their ten-month-old baby. 05/11/07 The investigation into the death of seven-year-old Chandler Grafner has reached the state level. In the past, a police officer and a teacher both reported concerns about Chandler to Denver Human Services. 05/16/07 Aaron Thompson is being charged with felony cruelty towards a child in the disappearance of his daughter Aarone. Normally crimes against children are classified as child abuse.