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Planning criteria, including protection ratios, for digital terrestrial television services in the VHF/UHF bands

The North American Broadcasters Association¹, (NABA, www.nabanet.com) is an association of broadcasters within ITU-R Region 2 countries Canada, Mexico and the United States, which have adopted the Advanced Television Systems Committee (ATSC, www.atsc.org) standard for Digital Terrestrial Television Broadcasting. The NABA Technical Committee is its standing technical body.

NABA is a Sector Member of ITU-R and a long-time participant in ITU-R Study Groups, Working Parties, Task Groups, Rapporteur Groups, etc. NABA numbers among its members Chairmen, Vice-Chairmen and members of the above groups. NABA also participates widely in the ITU work on radio, television and multimedia services.

NABA notes that Annex 4 to the Working Party 6A Chairman's Report ([Document 6A/414](#)) contains proposed revisions to Recommendation ITU-R [BT.1368-11](#). This Recommendation entitled, "Planning criteria, including protection ratios, for digital terrestrial television services in the VHF/UHF bands," is a living document providing up-to-date information as digital television systems are developed and improved. Annex 4 to Document 6A/414 brings new information for the ATSC and ISDB-T terrestrial television systems. NABA fully supports this revision and notes that this information will prove valuable in the planning of television systems using the ATSC and ISDB-T technologies.

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