# Memo 7 

To: Pricing Manager, District 6SW

From: Vice President, Marketing
Re: Strategic Pricing Decision

Our only competitor in District 6SW currently provides bundled services at $\$ 84.95$. We are currently charging a $10 \%$ premium over their price, but there are unsubstantiated rumors that they are contemplating a $10 \%$ price increase. We don't know their cost structure, so we don't know whether their potential price increase is driven by cost increases or is merely a strategic move on their part.

Historically, when we both charge the same price, our market share is about $65 \%$. When we charge a 10 percent premium over their price, our market share declines to about $60 \%$. It appears that in those instances where they have charged a $10 \%$ premium over our price, our market share is about $70 \%$.

Please provide a recommendation regarding whether we should maintain our current price or reduce our price to $\$ 84.95$. Please factor into your recommendation that we pay programming fees to providers that amount to $\$ 32.50$ for each subscriber. In addition, maintenance, service and billing costs are about $\$ 7.60$ per subscriber. At present, there are about 110,000 households in the relevant area.

