

## FOX-Cablevision Dispute Threatens Airing of NLCS Game 1

Written by Maury Brown

Saturday, 16 October 2010 10:55

---



### **This is what Cablevision currently has airing on FOX5 and MY9**

A carriage dispute between News Corp's FOX and Cablevision had FOX pull several of its channels off Cablevision late last night. The channels blacked out are FOX5 in New York and MY9 in Philadelphia. The dispute has the capacity to have Game 1 of the NLCS – a marquee match-up between Tim Lincecum and Roy Halladay – blacked out on those carriers.

"News Corp.'s decision to remove Fox programming from 3 million Cablevision households is a black eye for broadcast television in America," Cablevision spokesman Charles Schueler said to The AP

A statement by FOX on the dispute laid blame on Cablevision.

"In an effort to avoid this very situation, we started this process in May and made numerous reasonable proposals to Cablevision," said Mike Hopkins, president of Fox Networks Affiliate Sales and Marketing. "However, we remain far apart and Cablevision has made it clear that they do not share our view regarding the value of Fox's networks."

The sides are set to resume talks today at noon ET.

Game 1 of the NLCS is set for a first pitch at 7:57pm ET, and airs on FOX nationally.

## FOX-Cablevision Dispute Threatens Airing of NLCS Game 1

Written by Maury Brown  
Saturday, 16 October 2010 10:55

---

In terms of how this might impact Major League Baseball, according to sources who wished to speak off-record, should any postseason games not be carried, the league would lose no broadcast revenues.



**Maury Brown** is the Founder and President of the [Business of Sports Network](#) , which includes The Biz of Baseball, The Biz of Football, The Biz of Basketball and The Biz of Hockey, as well as a [contributor to FanGraphs](#) and [Forbes SportsMoney](#)

• He is available for hire or freelance

• [Brown's full bio is here.](#)

He looks forward to your comments via email and can be [contacted through the Business of Sports Network](#)

## FOX-Cablevision Dispute Threatens Airing of NLCS Game 1

Written by Maury Brown  
Saturday, 16 October 2010 10:55

---

[Follow Maury Brown on Twitter](#) 

[Follow The Biz of Baseball on Twitter](#) 