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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: Notice of *Ex Parte* Communication, MB Docket No, 17-179, Applications of
Tribune Media Company and Sinclair Broadcast Group, Inc. for Consent to
Transfer Control of Licenses and Authorizations**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On January 5, 2018, Barry Faber, Executive Vice President and General Counsel of Sinclair Broadcast Group, Inc. (“Sinclair”), and Rebecca Hanson, Senior Vice President/Strategy and Policy of Sinclair, along with Miles Mason, Esq. of Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman, counsel to Sinclair, met with FCC staff listed on Attachment I hereto, regarding the above-referenced proceeding. The meeting was held at the request of Michelle Carey, Media Bureau Chief, to discuss Sinclair’s divestiture plan to come into compliance with the national cap in connection with the proposed Tribune acquisition.

Meeting participants discussed the general status of Sinclair’s divestiture plan, with respect to compliance with both the national cap and local ownership rules, as well as Sinclair’s communications with the Department of Justice, Antitrust Division (“DOJ”).

Mr. Faber told FCC staff that Sinclair was evaluating divestitures, as well as Top-4 showings to be made in amendments to the applications consistent with the recent changes to the ownership rules in the Commission’s Order on Reconsideration and Notice of Proposed Rulemaking adopted November 16, 2017, but that the DOJ review may impact certain divestiture choices.

Sincerely,

/s/ Miles S. Mason
Miles S. Mason
Counsel to Sinclair Broadcast Group, Inc.

Attachment I

Meeting Participants – FCC Staff

Michelle Carey, Chief Media Bureau

Mary Beth Murphy, Deputy Chief, Media Bureau

Barbara Kreisman, Chief, Video Division, Media Bureau

Chris Robbins, Chief Transactions Counsel, Video Division, Media Bureau

David Roberts, Senior Attorney Advisor, Video Division, Media Bureau

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