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Marlene H. Dortch, Esq.
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th St., N.W.
Washington, DC 20554

Re: **Notice of *Ex Parte* Communication, GN Docket No. 18-122, GN Docket No. 17-183; MB Docket Nos. 18-202, 17-105**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

This letter reports on several meetings on May 16, 2019, during which Terri Santisi of ION Media Networks ("ION") and Jason Rademacher and the undersigned of Cooley LLP met with Commissioner Jessica Rosenworcel and Kate Black, Policy Advisor, Media. The participants in the meeting discussed ION's business model, its general experience with the post-auction repack, its commitment to over-delivering children's programming in all of its markets. Ms. Santisi reiterated ION's view that the FCC's children's programming record-keeping and reporting requirements should be modernized to reduce the administrative burden on ION's 70 television stations. Ms. Santisi also stressed that whatever path forward the FCC takes in repurposing C-Band spectrum, it must make certain that companies like ION maintain undiminished access to interference-free satellite transport of video programming.

A copy of this letter is being filed in the above-referenced dockets through the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System and a copy is being provided by email to each of the Commission meeting participants.

Sincerely,

/s/ Robert M. McDowell

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cc: Commissioner Jessica Rosenworcel
Kate Black