



August 5, 2016

Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Ex Parte disclosure pursuant to 47 CFR § 1.1206(b) in 14-50, 09-182, 07-294

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Yesterday the following people met with Jessica Almond and Gigi Sohn in the Office of the Chairman: Cheryl Leanza of UCC OC Inc.; Corrine Yu, Leadership Conference on Civil and Human Rights; Michael Macleod-Ball, ACLU; Debbie Goldman, CWA; Carmen Scurato and Andy Lomeli, National Hispanic Media Coalition and Todd O'Boyle, Common Cause.

We met to discuss the previously-filed materials in this docket. We encouraged the Commission to maintain the newspaper-broadcast cross ownership rule. We reviewed the many reasons why the Commission should conduct media ownership diversity studies, such as the remand from the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit and the need for a detailed record to identify policies that will increase ownership rates by women and people of color. We explained that other studies, such as the Pew multi-market study, while extremely informative, is not sufficient to establish a record for FCC action to improve media ownership diversity. We emphasized that government studies are an important component of the need in this docket.

The two attached *ex parte* letters previously filed in this docket were distributed prior to the meeting.

Sincerely,

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