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Re: **Notice of Ex Parte Communication, MB Docket No. 18-119**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On August 21, 2018, Caroline Beasley, CEO of Beasley Media Group, LLC ("Beasley"), and the undersigned met with Albert Shuldiner, Jim Bradshaw, Lisa Scanlan and Christine Goepp. We discussed issues raised in the FCC's Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) in the above-referenced docket proposing policy and rule changes that would impact the resolution of interference complaints against FM Translator stations. Ms. Beasley expressed support for the majority of the proposals set forth in the FM Translator NPRM that are intended to expedite the resolution of interference complaints. We also discussed comments submitted jointly by Beasley and other broadcasters that include data which demonstrates that significant listening occurs outside an average FM station's 54 dBu contour. The data is derived from audience measurements for the fall 2017 period provided by Nielsen Audio for 43 Nielsen PPM+Diary measured radio metros. Based on this data, Beasley does not support the proposal in the NPRM to use the 54 dBu contour as an outer limit beyond which listener complaints of interference from FM translator stations would be actionable.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: Albert Shuldiner  
Jim Bradshaw  
Lisa Scanlan  
Christine Goepp

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