



December 11, 2017

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

Re: Notice of Ex Parte Communication, MB Docket No. 17-105

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On December 7, 2017, representatives of the National Association of Broadcasters (NAB) met with members of the Commission's Media Bureau and Office of General Counsel to discuss the above-captioned proceeding. A complete list of meeting attendees is attached.

The discussion was consistent with comments NAB filed earlier this year.¹ It focused primarily on two NAB proposals, including eliminating the EEO Mid-Term Report (Form 397) and creating a combined annual compliance report to replace the currently separate quarterly issues/programs lists, children's educational TV programming reports and commercial matter in children's programs certifications. NAB stated that the proposals aim to reduce regulatory burdens on broadcasters without impeding the work of Commission staff or affecting service to the public. NAB also reiterated that broadcasters are committed to serving the public interest by complying with substantive rules and regulations, including by continuing to provide programming responsive to their local communities. We emphasized that compliance with paperwork and filing requirements has little to do with the actual programming offered by local stations.

NAB appreciates the ongoing efforts of the Commission to address proposals raised in this proceeding and looks forward to continued dialogue and collaboration to modernize outdated broadcast regulations.

¹ See Comments of the National Association of Broadcasters, MB Docket No. 17-105, at 5-14; 18-19 (July 5, 2017).

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Emmy Parsons". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Emmy" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Parsons".

Emmy Parsons
Assistant General Counsel
Legal and Regulatory Affairs
National Association of Broadcasters

Meeting Attendees

Commission Staff – Media Bureau

Benjamin Arden
Michelle Carey
Martha Heller
Brendan Holland
Barbara Kreisman
Kim Matthews
Mary Beth Murphy
Raelynn Remy

Commission Staff – Office of General Counsel

Susan Aaron
Royce Sherlock

National Association of Broadcasters Staff

Erin Dozier
Rick Kaplan
Emmy Parsons
Jerianne Timmerman
Antrell Tyson
Larry Walke