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Re: Ex Parte Presentation, IB Docket No. 95-59

Dear Mr. Caton:

On June 11, 1996, I along with Andy Paul of the Satellite Broadcasting and Communications Association ("SBCA"), Merrill Spiegel of Hughes Electronics and Joyce Jones of Morrison & Foerster, counsel to SBCA, met with William H. Johnson, Deputy Chief of Cable Services Bureau; Gary Laden, Chief of the Consumer Protection and Competition Division of the Cable Services Bureau; Jackie Spindler, Deputy Chief of the Consumer Protection and Competition Division of the Cable Services Bureau; Randi Albert and Ryan Wallach of the Cable Services Bureau; John P. Stern, Senior Legal Advisor to the Chief of the International Bureau and Rosalee Chiara of the International Bureau regarding the above-captioned proceeding. I appeared on behalf of DIRECTV, Inc.

We discussed the consolidation of the above-referenced proceeding with CS Docket 96-83. We also discussed the regulatory history of Section 25.104 of the Commission's Rules, and the legislative history of Section 207 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, and made arguments that DIRECTV and SBCA previously made in their comments in this proceeding.

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The group also discussed the jurisdiction of Congress and the FCC to preempt both governmental and non-governmental restrictions on satellite dishes. Specifically, the federal power to regulate -- and preempt state regulation of -- satellite antennas resides in the Commerce Clause.

If you have any questions regarding this filing, please do not hesitate to contact me at (202) 637-2215.

Very truly yours,



James F. Rogers
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cc: William H. Johnson
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