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Federal Communications Commission
Office of Secretary

Re: Restrictions on Over-the-Air Reception Devices
CS Docket No. 96-83
Notice of Oral Ex Parte Presentation

Dear Mr. Caton:

Yesterday, Karen Fullum, Kelly Williams and Barry Umansky, representing the National Association of Broadcasters (the "NAB"); Mark Prak, representing the ABC Television Network Affiliates Association; and the undersigned, representing the NBC Television Network Affiliates Association, met with Susan Fox and Joel Kaufman of the Office of General Counsel. This letter is being filed on the day following the meeting because there was insufficient time to file it on the date of the meeting.

During the meeting, we discussed matters relating to the comments of the Network Affiliated Stations Alliance and the NAB in the above-referenced proceeding and to petitions for reconsideration. In particular, the participants discussed the legal basis for Commission action in this proceeding, potential rules addressing multiple dwelling units (MDUs) that would provide for access by residents, practices affecting access to over-the-air broadcasting by resident of MDUs, the need for clarification of the rules initially adopted by the Commission in this proceeding and the impact of digital television service on the need for access to over-the-air broadcasting.

In accordance with the requirements Section 1.1206(a) of the Commission's Rules, an original and one copy of this letter are being submitted to the Secretary's office and copies of this letter are being provided to the Commission staff participants in the meeting.

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Please inform me if any questions should arise in connection with this letter.

Respectfully submitted,



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