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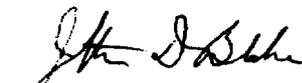
**Re: Ex Parte Notice: Review of the Commission's Rules and Policies
Affecting the Conversion to Digital Television (MM Docket No. 00-39);
Carriage of Digital Television Broadcast Signals (CS Docket No. 98-120)**

Dear Ms. Salas:

On May 31, 2001, Jonathan Blake and Jennifer Johnson of Covington & Burling met with Roy Stewart, Bob Ratcliffe, Rick Chessen and Jamila Bess-Johnson of the Mass Media Bureau, to explore issues pertaining to the DTV transition on behalf of various commercial and noncommercial broadcast clients. The discussion focused on the status of the DTV transition and generally explored DTV transition issues including cable carriage, DTV build-out, and DTV receiver issues.

Pursuant to Section 1.1206(b) of the Commission's Rules, an original and three copies of this letter are being submitted to the Secretary's office (two copies for each docket), with copies to those Mass Media Bureau staff who attended the meeting. Please direct any questions regarding this notice to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,


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cc: Roy J. Stewart
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