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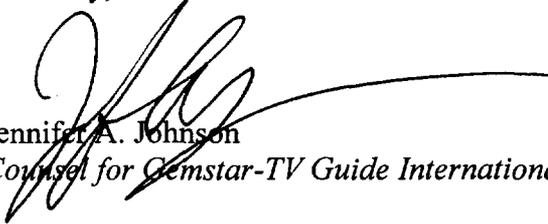
**Re: *Ex Parte* Presentation Regarding CSR 5698-Z (Petition for Declaratory Ruling of Time Warner Cable) and CS Docket No. 98-120 (Carriage of Digital Television Broadcast Signals)**

Dear Ms. Salas:

On July 27, 2001, Stephen Weiswasser and Jennifer Johnson of Covington & Burling, counsel for Gemstar-TV Guide International, Inc. ("Gemstar"), made an oral *ex parte* presentation relating to CSR 5698-Z to Susan Eid, Legal Advisor to Chairman Powell, and Bill Quirk, intern to Chairman Powell's Office. In this presentation, Gemstar counsel reviewed the legal positions previously taken in written filings by Gemstar in CSR 5698-Z. Gemstar discussed the interplay between the issues presented in CSR 5698-Z and those being examined by the Commission in other contexts, in particular in the digital cable carriage proceeding (CS Docket No. 98-120), and responded to questions regarding Gemstar's position.

An original and three copies of this *ex parte* notice (two copies for each docket) are being submitted in compliance with the Commission's rules, with copies to Ms. Eid and Mr. Quirk.

Sincerely,

  
Jennifer A. Johnson  
Counsel for Gemstar-TV Guide International, Inc.

cc: Susan Eid  
Bill Quirk

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