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**Via Electronic Filing**

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Ex Parte Communication In the Matter of Review of the Commission's Rules  
and Policies Affecting the Conversion to Digital Television (MM Docket 00-39)

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On July 31, 2002, Michael Petricone, Vice President, Technology Policy, Consumer Electronics Association ("CEA") and David Siddall, of Paul, Hastings, Janofsky & Walker, met with Commissioner Kevin Martin and his legal advisor, Catherine Bohigian.

Our discussion concerned the Commission's proposed mandate for a digital TV tuner in all television receivers. The discussion reiterated points made in CEA's Comments and Reply Comments in this proceeding.

In accordance with Section 1.1206 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206, an original and one copy of this letter is being filed with your office with copies to Commissioner Martin and Ms. Bohigian. Please direct any questions concerning this matter to the undersigned.

Very truly yours,



David R. Siddall  
for PAUL, HASTINGS, JANOFSKY & WALKER LLP

Enclosure

cc: Honorable Kevin Martin  
Catherine Bohigian