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**Re: Notice of Permitted *Ex Parte* Presentation, 2002 Biennial
Regulatory Review — Review of the Commission's Broadcast
Ownership Rules, MB Docket No. 02-277**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On behalf of the Newspaper Association of America ("NAA") and pursuant to Section 1.1206(b)(2) of the Commission's rules, we hereby submit this notice of a permitted oral *ex parte* presentation in the above-referenced proceeding.

On March 20, 2003, John Sturm, President and Chief Executive Officer of NAA, and Richard E. Wiley of Wiley Rein & Fielding LLP met with W. Kenneth Ferree, Chief, Media Bureau and Paul Gallant, Special Advisor, Media Ownership Working Group. The inccting participants discussed the public interest benefits that would result from repeal of the Commission's restriction on newspaper/broadcast cross-ownership. Also discussed was the concept of a diversity index for media ownership.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact the undersigned

Respectfully submitted.

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