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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
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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 Gannett Co., Inc. (“Gannett”) 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 May 1, 2003, Douglas H. McCorkindale, Chairman, President, and Chief Executive Officer of Gannett, David P. Fleming, General Counsel, Gannett Broadcasting Division, Craig A. Dubow, President and Chief Executive Officer, Gannett Broadcasting Division, and Richard E. Wiley of Wiley Rein & Fielding LLP met with Commissioner Kathleen Q. Abernathy and her Legal Advisor, Stacy Robinson. The meeting participants discussed the public interest benefits that would result from repeal of the Commission’s restriction on newspaper/broadcast cross-ownership and expressed views consistent with those detailed in the comments and reply comments filed by Gannett in this docket.

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

Respectfully submitted,

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