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**VIA Electronic Filing**

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W., TW-A325  
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: **In the Matter of Public Interest Obligations of TV Broadcast Licensees, MM Docket No. 99-360**  
**2002 Biennial Regulatory Review – Review of the Commission’s Broadcast Ownership Rules and Other Rules Adopted Pursuant to Section 202 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, MB Docket No. 02-277**  
**Cross-Ownership of Broadcast Stations and Newspapers, MM Docket No. 01-235**  
**Rules and Policies Concerning Multiple Ownership of Radio Broadcast Stations in Local Markets, MM Docket No. 01-317**  
**Definition of Radio Markets, MM Docket No. 00-244**  
**Definition of Radio Markets for Areas Not Located in an Arbitron Survey Area, MB Docket No. 03-130**  
**Appropriate Framework for Broadband Access to the Internet over Wireline Facilities, CC Docket No. 02-33**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to Section 1.1206(b) of the Commission’s Rules, this letter is to provide notice of an *ex parte* meeting in the above-referenced proceedings. On September 16, 2003, Marianne Viray, Managing Director, and Amy Wolverton, Associate Legal Counsel and Media Program Director of the Campaign Legal Center (CLC), met with Commissioner Kathleen Q. Abernathy and her Mass Media Legal Advisor, Stacy Robinson.

During this meeting, CLC representatives described CLC’s new Media Program and noted some of the issues of interest to their organization, including media ownership, digital television (DTV), and the future of political broadcasting regulation. Specifically, participants stressed the need for the Commission to ensure that media outlets provide candidate access and political discourse programming, especially in light of relaxed ownership restrictions. Participants also mentioned their concern in ensuring that candidates are not prohibited from reaching any portion of the public via the Internet due

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to industry practices. Ms. Wolverton and Ms. Viray also provided a background sheet on CLC and a summary of CLC's issues of interest, which are attached to this letter.

Pursuant to the Commission's Rules, this *ex parte* notice is being filed electronically through the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System procedures. Please do not hesitate to contact me at 202-736-2200 should you have any questions regarding this filing.

Sincerely,

/s/

Amy R. Wolverton

Attachments

cc: Commissioner Kathleen Q. Abernathy (FCC)  
Stacy Robinson (FCC)  
Marianne Viray (CLC)