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

Re: Ex Parte Presentation in MB Docket 02-230 (Digital Broadcast Copy Protection).

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On Wednesday, October 15, 2003, Lawrence R. Sidman and David R. Siddall of Paul, Hastings, Janofsky & Walker LLP; and Thomas B. Patton of Philips Electronics North America Corporation ("Philips"), met with Jane Mago, Amy Nathan and Erin Boone of the Office of Strategic Policy Analysis to discuss issues in the above-referenced proceeding.

Philips reiterated the positions articulated in its Comments, Reply Comments, and a September 23, 2003, ex parte submission, all filed in this proceeding, focusing in particular on the scope of the encryption technology mandate proposed by the Motion Picture Association of America ("MPAA") and the 5C companies ("the Proposed Regulation"), the deficiencies of the Table A structure contained in the Proposed Regulation, the need for FCC scrutiny of any licensing terms to conform with the Commission's patent policies, and the timing of any potential implementation of digital broadcast content protection regulations.

In accordance with Section 1.1206 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1206, one copy of this letter is being filed electronically. Please direct any questions concerning this matter to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,



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cc: Jane Mago
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