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Marlene H. Dortch  
Office of the Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20054

Re: *Consolidated Application of General Motors Corporation,  
Hughes Electronics Corporation, and The News Corporation Limited  
for Authority to Transfer Control (MB Docket No. 03-124)*

Dear Ms. Dortch:

This is to inform you that, on October 30, 2003, Rupert Murdoch, Michael Regan, and Maureen O'Connell of The News Corporation Limited ("News Corp.") conducted a series of meetings to discuss News Corp.'s proposed investment in Hughes Electronics Corporation with the following:

- Chairman Powell and Legal Advisor Paul Gallant;
- Commissioner Abernathy and Legal Advisor Stacy Fuller;
- Commissioner Adelstein and Legal Advisor Johanna Mikes;
- Commissioner Capps and Senior Legal Advisor Jordan Goldstein;
- Commissioner Martin and Legal Advisor Catherine Bohigian; and
- Kenneth Ferree, Barbara Esbin, Tracy Waldon, Marcia Glauber, Erin Dozier, Timothy May, William Cox, Thomas Horan, and Priya Shrinivasan of the Media Bureau; Jim Bird, Neil Dellar, Joel Rabinovitz, and C. Anthony Bush of the Office of General Counsel; JoAnn Lucanik, Douglas Webbink, and Marilyn Simon of the International Bureau; and Donald Stockdale of the Office of Strategic Planning and Policy Analysis.

At each of these meetings, Mr. Murdoch discussed how the proposed transaction will bring News Corp.'s energy and expertise to Hughes and thereby create real competition to incumbent cable companies. The result will be better, more innovative services for consumers, such as interactive television, high definition television, and local-into-local in all 210 Designated Market Areas in the country as soon as 2006 and no later than 2008. Mr. Murdoch urged the Commission not to

