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

Re: *Digital Output Protection Technology and Recording Method
Certification; Windows Media Digital Rights Management Technology,*
MB Docket No. 04-66
Notice of Ex Parte Communication

Dear Ms. Dortch:

This letter is to inform you that on June 24, 2004, Andy Moss and Paula Boyd of Microsoft, and the undersigned, its counsel, met via telephone with Bill Johnson, Rick Chessen and Susan Mort of the Media Bureau to discuss various issues in connection with the above-captioned application, including techniques to prevent indiscriminate redistribution of content.

The parties emphasized that proximity controls, authentication and authorization protocols, and other techniques previously described by Microsoft in this proceeding provide meaningful limitations on the redistribution of broadcast content marked with the broadcast flag. The parties also discussed the issue of limiting the number of devices to which marked content could be copied over an Internet Protocol (IP)-based home network.

If you have any questions, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,



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Mary Newcomer Williams

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cc: Mr. Bill Johnson
Mr. Rick Chessen
Ms. Susan Mort