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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

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

Re: **MB Docket No. 03-15**
Negotiated Channel Arrangement No. 20050210ATY
Comments of Iowa Public Broadcasting Board

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Iowa Public Broadcasting Board ("Iowa Public Television," or "IPT") provides these comments on the referenced Negotiated Channel Arrangement ("NCA"), as specified in the Commission's Public Notice "DTV Channel Election Issues – Proposed Negotiated Channel Election Arrangements and Procedures for Filing Associated Pleadings," released March 1, 2005 (DA 05-519) ("Public Notice").

The Public Notice shows IPT's noncommercial educational station KQIN(TV), Davenport, Iowa, as a participant in NCA No. 20050210ATY, as it appears that KQIN is specified by the licensee of KWQC-TV, Davenport, Iowa, which seeks to use KQIN's NTSC channel 36 as its permanent DTV channel.

IPT has no objection to the KWQC-TV election of Channel 36, as IPT has determined to specify KQIN's current DTV channel – Channel 34 – as its permanent DTV channel for the station. IPT communicated to KWQC-TV its consent to KWQC-TV's election of Channel 36.

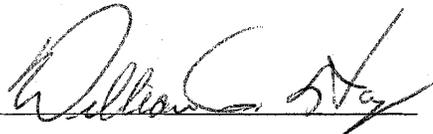
That said, however, IPT does not want its own DTV channel election being put "in play" as a result of being listed as a participant in the NCA. This is true regardless of whether KWQC-TV is successful in its quest for the right to use DTV Channel 36, as KWQC-TV's use of Channel 36, or not, has no bearing on IPT's own channel election of Channel 34 for KQIN.

Pursuant to the Public Notice, a copy of this letter is being served by express mail on KWQC-TV. In addition, a copy of this letter is being served on FCC staff.

Should any questions arise concerning this matter, kindly the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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