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

***Re: Notice of Ex Parte Communication in MB Docket No 05-192***

Dear Ms. Dortch:

This is to inform you that, on October 4, 2005, Susan Eid, Larry Hunter, Dan Fawcett, and undersigned counsel on behalf of DIRECTV, Inc. ("DIRECTV") met with Catherine Bohigian, Senior Legal Advisor to Chairman Martin, and Heather Dixon of the Media Bureau, to discuss DIRECTV's comments in the above-captioned proceeding. In particular, DIRECTV discussed how Comcast Corp. ("Comcast") and Time Warner Cable Inc. ("Time Warner") have arranged to withhold or raise the cost of key regional sports programming in a number of markets, and why approval of the transactions at issue in this proceeding without appropriate conditions would enable Comcast and Time Warner to pursue similar strategies in many more markets.

In accordance with the Commission's *ex parte* rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206, I am filing a copy of this letter electronically. If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact me.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ \_\_\_\_\_  
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cc: Catherine Bohigian  
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