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

Re: *Ex Parte Presentation, IB Docket No. 06-160 and EB Docket No. 04-296*

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Stacy Fuller and undersigned counsel on behalf of DIRECTV, Inc. ("DIRECTV") met yesterday with Aaron Goldberger, Legal Advisor to Commissioner Tate, to discuss the notice of proposed rulemaking ("NPRM") in the above referenced "tweener" proceeding. Specifically, DIRECTV discussed statements made in the NPRM regarding the potential for processing pending tweener applications, provided they are complete and would serve the public interest, and noted several requirements that must be satisfied for complete DBS applications under the Commission's rules. In addition, DIRECTV argued that any grant of a pending tweener application would require Commission action, as the novel issues involved are not amendable to action on delegated authority.

DIRECTV also briefly discussed the issues raised in its recent ex parte filings in the Emergency Alert System proceeding, focusing in particular on DIRECTV's ability to provide state and local emergency alerts to subscribers with its newest generation of set top boxes.

Sincerely yours,



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cc: Aaron Goldberger