

July 6, 2007

**BY ELECTRONIC FILING**

Monica Shah Desai  
Chief, Media Bureau  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 Twelfth Street, S.W.  
Washington, DC 20554

Re: *Consolidated Application of News Corporation, The DIRECTV Group, Inc., and Liberty Media Corporation for Authority to Transfer Control (MB Docket No. 07-18)*

Dear Ms. Desai:

News Corporation (“News Corp.”) and The DIRECTV Group, Inc. (“DIRECTV”) (collectively, the “Applicants”) hereby set forth the procedures they plan to follow in responding to Initial Information and Document Requests issued to them on June 15, 2007 (the “Request”). These procedures reflect clarifications discussed with the Commission staff on June 19, 2007, and are designed to facilitate prompt responses from the Applicants.

1. ***Relevant Corporate Entities:*** For purposes of responding to Item I.B of the Request, DIRECTV has provided summary information on corporate ownership kept in the ordinary course of business. After reviewing this information, the staff may request follow-up information as appropriate.
2. ***ZIP Code Data:*** DIRECTV does not maintain all of the data sought in Item II.B of the Request at the ZIP code level for Puerto Rico in the ordinary course of business. Specifically, while the net changes in subscribers are available at the ZIP code level, the gross additions to and gross losses of subscribers during the month are maintained only on a Puerto Rico-wide basis. Accordingly, DIRECTV will produce the data as available in the ordinary course of business.
3. ***Document Review:*** In order to identify documents responsive to Items II.G, II.H, II.I, V.A, and V.B of the Request, DIRECTV will review the files of the individuals specified in Attachment A hereto.
4. ***Carriage Agreements:*** The confidential version of any affiliation agreement produced in response to Item III.A of the Request or any retransmission consent agreement produced in to Item IV.B may be redacted to remove highly sensitive financial information, such as per-subscriber fees, launch fees, promotional fees,

and termination dates. The public version of any such agreement may be redacted in accordance with the rules otherwise applicable to this proceeding.

5. ***Video Programming Companies:*** As used in Item No. III.C, the term “video programming company” means a company involved in the production and distribution of video programming in the United States, provided that the production of programming intended for theatrical release may be excluded as may entities that distribute programming solely via theaters. In responding to Item III.C, News Corporation may submit a list of its United States subsidiaries which it maintains in the ordinary course of business. With respect to subsidiaries domiciled outside of the United States and entities in which News Corporation holds a minority interest, the Company may limit the response to video programming companies which distribute video programming in the United States.

Pursuant to the Commission’s rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206, please treat this letter as an *ex parte* presentation.

In the event that you have any questions regarding the foregoing, we are available to discuss it with you at your convenience.

Sincerely yours,

\s\  
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*Counsel for News Corporation*

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William M. Wiltshire  
*Counsel for The DIRECTV Group, Inc.*

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## ATTACHMENT A

### Personnel Relevant for Items II.G, V.A, and V.B:

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### Personnel Relevant for Items II.G, II.H, and II.I:

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Michael Hartman  
Roque Lombardo  
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Jesús Mata  
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