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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
335 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: Application for Authority to Transfer Control of XM Radio Inc. and  
Sirius Satellite Radio Inc., MB Docket No. 07-57**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On behalf of Loral Space and Communications (“Loral”), our satellite services subsidiary Loral Skynet, and our manufacturing subsidiary Space Systems/Loral (SS/L), I write in support of the proposed merger of Sirius and XM. We strongly believe that this merger will ensure that satellite radio remains a robust competitor in the audio entertainment marketplace for years to come.

Loral is a satellite communications company with activities in two primary areas: satellite services and satellite manufacturing. In 2000, we launched three direct-broadcast service (DBS), Digital Audio Radio Satellites (DARS) into highly elliptical orbits, and these satellites transmit Sirius’s music, sports, entertainment, and talk content to its subscribers. We are also currently in the process of building additional satellites for Sirius and XM.

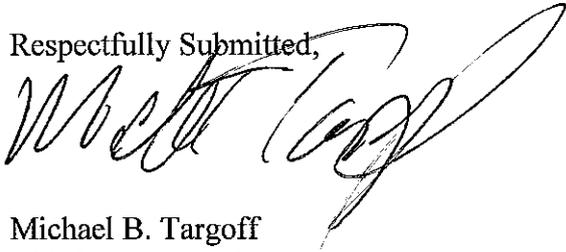
In our view, the audio entertainment marketplace is a robust and expanding industry. We believe this merger would allow satellite radio to better compete against other listening options. For example, we understand that consumers will have the opportunity to receive more channels, including the best of Sirius and XM. We have also been advised by Sirius that the companies will offer their customers the ability to receive fewer channels.

It is our view that the merger will not reduce the combined company’s future demand for satellites. In fact, the merger may increase demand for satellites by providing a robust competitor in the audio entertainment marketplace and enhancing spectrum utilization.

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We strongly urge the Commission to allow this merger to proceed without intervention, so that suppliers and consumers will be able to benefit from a more competitive and vigorous audio entertainment marketplace.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Michael B. Targoff  
Chief Executive Officer,  
Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors