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**Ex Parte**

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 Twelfth Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

**Re: Consolidated Requests for Waiver of Section 76.1204(A)(1) if the Commission's Rules; Implementation of Section 304 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996; Commercial Availability of Navigation Devices; CS Docket No. 97-80; Verizon's Petition for Waiver of the Set-Top Box Integration Ban, 76 C.F.R. Section 76.1204(a)(1); CSR-7042-Z**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Please include the attached sworn Declaration of Shawn M. Strickland, Vice President-Video Solutions for Verizon, in the above-referenced proceedings.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Leora Hochstein".

cc: Monica Desai, Chief, Media Bureau

Attachment

**Before the  
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION**

In the Matter of:

Consolidated Requests for Waiver of  
Section 76.1204(A)(1) of the  
Commission's Rules

CS Docket No. 97-80

Implementation of Section 304 of the  
Telecommunications Act of 1996

Commercial Availability of Navigation  
Devices

Verizon's Petition for Waiver of the Set-  
Top Box Integration Ban, 76 C.F.R.  
§ 76.1204(a)(1)

CSR-7042-Z

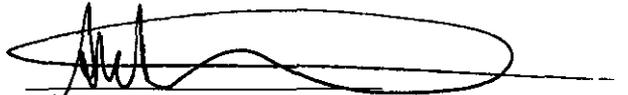
**DECLARATION OF SHAWN M. STRICKLAND**

1. My name is Shawn M. Strickland. I am currently Vice President – Video Solutions for Verizon. I am familiar with the design of Verizon's network and the nature of, and plans for, the company's FiOS TV service offerings.
2. On July 9, 2007, I submitted a declaration, filed in this docket, informing the Commission of Verizon's intent to transition its FiOS TV service to all-digital on or before February 19, 2009. Since that time, Verizon has been actively engaged in preparing for that transition. Verizon is currently in the process of transitioning its subscribers to all-digital on a system-by-system basis in order to ensure that

subscribers are adequately informed and prepared. Verizon began transitioning certain systems in early April 2008, and currently plans to complete the transition of all of its systems to all-digital in the Fall of 2008.

3. I am submitting this declaration on behalf of Verizon to provide further confirmation of Verizon's actions with respect to its transition of FiOS TV to an all-digital service, consistent with paragraph 62 of the Bureau's June 29, 2007 Memorandum Opinion and Order in the above-captioned proceeding and with Verizon's previous representations to the Commission.
4. Verizon has provided notice to its FiOS TV subscribers on numerous occasions and in a variety of formats concerning Verizon's plan to transition FiOS TV to an all-digital services on each of its systems before February 17, 2009. The first of these notices was sent to all FiOS TV subscribers in early January 2008.
5. Verizon also confirms that it had in inventory, or had placed orders for, set-top boxes sufficient, in Verizon's reasonable and good faith estimation, to ensure that each of its subscribers was or will be able to continue to view its FiOS TV service on their television sets following the transition to all-digital in the subscriber's area.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

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Shawn M. Strickland

Dated: May 16, 2008