



July 24, 2008

*Via Electronic Filing*

Marlene H. Dortch  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

**Re: Notice of *Ex Parte* Presentation: Consolidated Application for  
Authority to Transfer Control of XM Satellite Radio Holdings Inc.  
and Sirius Satellite Radio Inc. (MB Docket No. 07-57)**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to Section 1.1200, et seq., of the Commission's Rules, National Public Radio, Inc. ("NPR") hereby notifies the Commission of the following *ex parte* presentation in the above-referenced proceeding.

On Thursday, July 24, 2008, the undersigned spoke by telephone with Rick Chessen, Senior Legal Advisor to Commissioner Michael Copps. During our call, we discussed a proposal to condition Commission approval of the XM-Sirius merger on the contemporaneous initiation of an expedited notice and comment proceeding regarding the inclusion of HD receiver capability in satellite receivers. NPR fully endorsed this proposal as an essential means of assuring the broad availability of local HD services to the public.

Please direct any questions you may have to the undersigned at 202-513-2744.

Sincerely,

*/s/ Julie M. Kearney*

Julie M. Kearney  
Director of Public Policy and Legislation

cc: Rick Chessen