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EX PARTE

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

Re: ET Docket Nos. 04-186 and 02-380

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On September 4, 2008, William Check, PhD., Senior Vice President, Science and Technology, National Cable & Telecommunications Association (NCTA), Andy Scott, Vice President of Engineering, NCTA, and Loretta Polk, Vice President & Associate General Counsel, NCTA, met with Charles Mathias, Legal Advisor to Chairman Martin, regarding the above-captioned proceeding. During the meeting, we discussed the cable industry's concerns about the potential for harmful interference to cable channel viewing and to broadcast signal reception at cable headends from proposed uses of the spectrum in the broadcast TV "white spaces," as set forth in our July 17, 2008 *ex parte* and other filings in this proceeding. NCTA also briefly discussed the direct pickup interference that our consultant observed in the recent field tests conducted by the Office of Engineering & Technology.

On September 5, 2008, we met with Angela Giancarlo, Chief of Staff and Senior Legal Advisor to Commissioner Robert M. McDowell and we met separately with Rick Chessen, Senior Legal Advisor to Commissioner Copps, and Bruce Gottlieb, Legal Advisor to Commissioner Copps, to discuss this matter.

Sincerely,

/s/ Loretta P. Polk

Loretta P. Polk

cc: C. Mathias
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