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

July 31, 2009

Re: Notice of *Ex Parte* Presentation

RE: Docket Nos 07-38, 09-47, 09-51

Dear Ms. Dortch,

This letter is to advise you, in accordance with Section 1.1206(b) of the Commission's rules, that on July 30 and July 31, Ben Scott of Free Press had telephone conversations with Bruce Gottlieb, legal advisor to Chairman Julius Genachowski. On July 30, Ben Scott of Free Press and Sascha Meinrath of the New America Foundation had a telephone conversation with John Leibovitz, the Deputy Chief of the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau.

In these phone calls, we summarized ideas about FCC broadband data collection practices described fully in Free Press Comments filed July 30, 2009.¹ We encouraged the Commission to take a more active role in collecting broadband availability data.

Sincerely,



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¹ See: Free Press Comments, July 30, 2009, "Comment Sought on Providing Eligible Entities Access to Aggregate Form 477 Data as Required by the Broadband Data Improvement Act," WC Docket No. 07-38; GN Docket Nos. 09-47, 09-51, Public Notice, 74 FR 36446 (2009) (*BDIA 477 Public Notice*).