

# MMTC Meeting with Hon. Mignon Clyburn

**Henry M. Rivera, Chair**  
**Maurita Coley, Vice Chair**  
**Ari Fitzgerald, Secretary**

**David Honig, President and Executive Director**

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## I. Media and Telecom Ownership Diversity

- A. Expand Entrepreneurs' Access to Capital and Ownership Opportunities
  - 1. Designate a Section 403 hearing on PPM audience ratings
  - 2. Authorize, within limits, share-time ownership for HD and DTV sub-channels
  - 3. Authorize must-carry for hyper-local and multilingual Class A LPTVs
  - 4. Complete the broadcast diversity proceeding by considering the thirteen outstanding proposals, including structural rule waivers for incubator programs, AM expanded band relief, and relaxation of restrictions on foreign investments in broadcast stations
  
- B. Expand Minority Radio Entrepreneurs' Access to Spectrum
  - 1. Create an advisory committee to plan the migration of AM stations, and their conversion into FM stations, on the spectrum now occupied by TV Channels 5-6
  - 2. Assign an RM Number to the MMTC Radio Rescue Petition, thereby putting it out for public comment
  - 3. Expand Minority Telecom Entrepreneurs' Access to Spectrum by Reforming the Designated Entity (DE) Program
    - a. Relax spectrum use restrictions
    - b. Reduce exit limitations
    - c. Develop new incentives to advance minority ownership of wireless networks and services.

## II. Broadband

- A. Choose field hearing sites, participants, and commissioner activities and visits that will expose the commissioners to the communications needs and priorities of minority, multilingual, tribal and low income populations
  
- B. Declare universal adoption to be the #1 priority of the National Broadband Plan
  
- C. Define "underserved" and "unserved" so that in each category the top priorities for deployment and adoption are communities whose poverty is entrenched and cross-generational because it is tied to race, language or tribal origin
  
- D. Ensure that broadband regulations, including each element of network neutrality, is supported by documentation that it will not depress adoption or increase costs to minority, multilingual, tribal and low income populations.