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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

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

Re: Notice of Ex Parte Presentation, CS Docket No. 97-80, CSR-8229-Z, GN Docket Nos. 09-47, 09-51, and 09-137, NBP Public Notice #27

Dear Ms. Dortch:

This letter is submitted pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206.

On January 27, Eric Kim and Jeffrey Lawrence of Intel Corporation held a telephonic conference with Blair Levin, Executive Director, Omnibus Broadband Initiative, and Dr. Carlos Kirjner, Senior Adviser on Broadband. Mr. Kim described the rapid innovation in set top boxes that is taking place around the world, and the need to remove barriers to innovation in the US market whenever possible. For example, an Orange IPTV box, available in France through France Telecom, offers consumers advanced features such as multimedia active program guides and on-demand catalogs, as well as integration of internet web content onto the television. These features were reported in an article from the Los Angeles Times technology blog site, "Intel beefs up a TV set-top box (not near you)."

<http://latimesblogs.latimes.com/technology/2010/01/ces-intel-beefs-up-a-tv-settop-box-not-near-you.html>.

The Intel representatives also discussed Intel's Petition for Waiver of 47 C.F.R. § 76.640(b)(4) (the IEEE 1394 output mandate for cable-supplied set-top boxes), as an example where the Commission could promote innovation by waiving an outdated technical mandate.

In accordance with Section 1.1206 of the Federal Communications Commission rules, this letter and the attachment is being provided to your office. A copy of this notice has been delivered to the parties listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Seth D. Greenstein

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Dr. Carlos Kirjner