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Marlene H. Dortch
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Federal Communications Commission
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RE: Notice of *ex parte* presentation in:

GN Docket No. 09-191
WC Docket No. 07-52
GN Docket No. 10-127

Dear Ms. Dortch,

On Tuesday, June 29, 2010, Leslie Harris, John Morris, David Sohn, and Andrew McDiarmid of the Center for Democracy and Technology (CDT) met with FCC Chairman Julius Genachowski, Chief of Staff Edward Lazarus, and Zachary Katz of the Office of Strategic Planning and Policy Analysis. The discussion touched on a wide variety of issues of interest to CDT, including the Commission's Open Internet proceeding. CDT expressed its general agreement with the way the Commission has framed the policy goal of safeguarding the Internet as a platform for "innovation without permission." CDT also noted that it approaches these issues from a free speech perspective, and that practices that limit innovation can have a substantial speech impact by stifling the development of innovative, speech-empowering tools and platforms. Finally, CDT observed that it is important to ensure that FCC does not assert overbroad jurisdiction in this area, because government action could threaten innovation and speech as well.

Sincerely,

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