



September 17, 2010

Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street SW
Washington DC 20554

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

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On Thursday, September 16, 2010, Gordon Smith, President and CEO of the National Association of Broadcasters, had a brief telephone conversation with FCC Chairman Julius Genachowski. In that conversation, Smith emphasized that the FCC's upcoming decision on the rules for use of "white spaces" in the TV band is very important to broadcasters. He noted that without appropriate rules and implementation, unlicensed devices could have a significant negative impact on local news operations. In particular, he argued that transparency regarding how the database will operate is important to avoid unintended consequences.

For that reason, Smith urged the Chairman to make clear in this order that the process for operation of the database will be subject to public comment before these rules become effective and unlicensed devices enter the band.

Please direct any question regarding the above summary to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jane E. Mago". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and "M".

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