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Via ECFS

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

Re: American Cable Association Notice of Ex Parte Communications; *In the Matter of Standardized and Enhanced Disclosure Requirements for Television Broadcast Licensee Public Interest Obligations, Extension of the Filing Requirement for Children's Television Programming Report (FCC Form 398)*, MM Docket No. 00-168, MM Docket No. 00-44

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On April 18, 2012, Ross Lieberman, Vice President of Government Affairs, American Cable Association ("ACA"), and the undersigned, participated in meeting by teleconference with Sherrese Smith, Chief Counsel and Legal Advisor, Chairman Genachowski, and Lyle Elder, Acting Legal Advisor, Chairman Genachowski to discuss the *Enhanced Public File NPRM*.¹ The discussion focused on ACA's position that the Commission should immediately require that formal or informal agreements between separately owned same-market broadcasters that facilitate the coordination of retransmission consent negotiations, be placed in local broadcast stations' public file, and included in the file's online version. The arguments made in support of the position were the same as those made in the Ex Parte Letter filed on behalf of ACA on April 5, 2012, in the above-referenced docket.²

¹ *In the Matter of the Basic Service Tier Encryption, Compatibility Between Cable Systems and Consumer Electronics Equipment*, Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, 26 FCC Rcd. 14870 (2011); *In the Matter of Standardized and Enhanced Disclosure Requirements for Television Broadcast Licensee Public Interest Obligations, Extension of the Filing Requirement for Children's Television Programming Report (FCC Form 398)*, Order on Reconsideration and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, 26 FCC Rcd 15788, ¶35 (2011) ("*Enhanced Public File NPRM*").

² *In the Matter of Standardized and Enhanced Disclosure Requirements for Television Broadcast Licensee Public Interest Obligations, Extension of the Filing Requirement for Children's Television Programming Report (FCC Form 398)*, Ex Parte Letter from Barbara S. Esbin, Cinnamon Mueller, to Marlene Dortch, Secretary, Federal Communications Commission (April 5, 2012).

If you have any questions, or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact me directly. Pursuant to section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules, this letter is being filed electronically with the Commission.

Sincerely,



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cc (*via email*): Sherrese Smith
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