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*Via Electronic Filing*

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

**Re: MB Docket No. 12-106**  
***Ex Parte* Notice**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to Section 1.1200, *et seq.*, of the Commission's Rules, National Public Radio, Inc. ("NPR") hereby notifies the Commission of the following *ex parte* presentation in the above-referenced proceeding.

On Tuesday, June 25, 2013, Greg Lewis, NPR Deputy General Counsel, and the undersigned met with Sarah Whitesell, Acting Media Legal Advisor with the Office of Chairwoman Mignon Clyburn. The parties discussed the Commission's Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in the above-referenced proceeding with respect to a proposed relaxation of the prohibition on third-party fundraising by noncommercial educational (NCE) broadcast stations.

NPR reiterated its position that the current waiver system was working well for NCE radio stations and that the Commission's proposal raised serious operational, fundraising, and other concerns. In particular, NPR noted concerns about stations being inundated with requests from local nonprofits, stations facing pressure to fundraise for affiliated parties, the proposal's impact on fundraising from individual listeners, the proposal's impact on purpose and nature of NCE broadcasting itself, and the difficulty of drawing distinctions between types of NCE stations.

Please direct any questions you may have to the undersigned at 202-513-2744.

Sincerely,

*Rishi Hingoraney /s/*

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Cc: Sarah Whitesell