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Ex Parte

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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 210554

Re: CG Docket No. 05-231

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On February 4, 2014, Jill Luckett, Senior Vice President, Program Network Policy, and I, of the National Cable & Telecommunications Association, along with Anne Lucey (CBS); Bruce Collins (C-SPAN); Keith Murphy (Viacom); Kimberly Hulsey (Scripps); Margaret Tobey (NBCUniversal); Susan Mort (Time Warner, Inc.); and Ann Bobeck and Justin Faulb (NAB) met with the following FCC staff: Maria Kirby, Legal Advisor to Chairman Wheeler; Kris Monteith, Acting Chief, Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau; and Karen Peltz Strauss and Eliot Greenwald, both of the Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau, to discuss ways to provide quality captions.

We reiterated the commitment to provide high quality captions by following the Industry Best Practices for Quality Television Captioning filed in this docket. We urged the Commission to adopt an approach in this proceeding that did not interfere with programmers' editorial discretion. In particular, we expressed concern about unduly limiting the circumstances in which programmers could use real-time captioning or second-guessing captioning decisions made in good faith by a programmer after the fact. We also proposed that any concerns about the effectiveness of the video programmer best practices could be best addressed with consumers in the annual meeting that industry has committed to sponsor.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ **Diane B. Burstein**

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