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Via Electronic Filing

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

Re: Notice of Ex Parte Presentation
MB Docket No. 13-249

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On February 26, 2014, Mr. Paul Rotella, Mr. Scott Taylor, Mr. Dick Swetits, Mr. Robert McAllan, and Mr. Dan Finn of the New Jersey Broadcasters Association (NJBA), met with Commissioner Ajit Pai and his Chief of Staff Matthew Berry.

On February 27, 2014, Mr. Paul Rotella, Mr. Scott Taylor, and Mr. Dick Swetits of NJBA, met with Commissioner Mignon Clyburn, her Chief of Staff Adonis Hoffman, and Intern Stefanie Frank; Commissioner Michael O'Rielly and his Chief of Staff Courtney Reinhard; Maria Kelly, Legal Advisor for Chairman Tom Wheeler's Office; and David Goldman, Sr. Legal Advisor for Commissioner Jessica Rosenworcel

At each of these the meetings, the participants discussed the following:

Participants discussed the merits of FM chips in mobile devices. In particular, NJBA urged the Commission to promote public access to broadcast signals on cell phones. NJBA believes that broadcast is the best way to reach large audiences during emergencies and that FM chips placed in cell phones would be a vital resource for consumers.

NJBA also discussed the Commission's AM broadcast service revitalization efforts (MB Docket No. 13-249). NJBA thanked the Commission for its effort to improve AM service and urged the Commission act quickly to put in place an AM-only window for FM translators.

NJBA discussed the Commission's critical information needs proposals and how those proposals could impose a burden on both the freedom of speech and the freedom of press.

NJBA discussed the rules governing joint sales agreements (JSAs) and shared services agreements (SSAs). NJBA asked that the Commission continue to consider how JSAs and SSAs support the public interest and can provide help for local stations in need of money.

Finally, NJBA applauded the Commission's efforts to improve the emergency alert system (EAS), and expressed their intent to support those efforts.

Sincerely,

Francisco Montero
On behalf of the New Jersey Broadcasters Association