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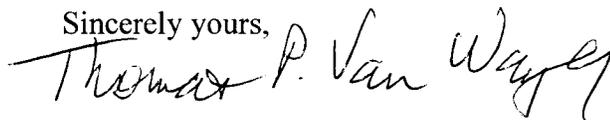
Re: Ex Parte Presentation  
In the Matter of Second Periodic Review of the Commission's Rules and Policies Affecting the Conversion to Digital Television Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, MB Docket No. 03-15

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On Thursday, April 8, 2004, Merrill Weiss of The Merrill Weiss Group and Tom Van Wazer met separately with Jonathan Cohn of Chairman Powell's office, Ed Thomas and Bruce Franca of the Office of Engineering and Technology and Peter Tenhula of the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau. During these meetings, the parties discussed the technical underpinnings of distributed transmission technology, the public policy benefits from the use of distributed transmission technology, the FCC rule changes and additions needed to authorize the use of distributed transmission technology and specific suggestions regarding the content of those rules. The topics discussed are outlined in the two presentations accompanying this notice. Copies of both presentations were distributed to each individual noted above.

Pursuant to section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules, one copy of this letter and the accompanying presentation are being filed electronically in the above-referenced docket. Please direct any questions regarding this matter to the undersigned.

Sincerely yours,



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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch

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