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NOTICE OF EX PARTE PRESENTATION

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Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW, TW-A325 Washington, DC 20554

Re: Consolidated Application for Authority to Transfer Control of XM Satellite Radio Holdings, Inc., and Sirius Satellite Radio Inc., MB Docket No. 07-57

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On July 14, 2008, Albert H. Kramer of Dickstein Shapiro LLP, on behalf of The Word Network, met with Amy Blankenship, Legal Advisor to Commissioner Deborah Tate, to discuss the above referenced proceeding.

I described The Word Network media program, the work of The Word Network, and the experience of The Word Network with Sirius, including the background of pending litigation. I also discussed The Word Network's view that if the merger is approved, any channels reserved for Qualified Entities also be available to not for profit entities offering programming designed to respond to the needs and interests of minority audiences. I also explained that if the merger is approved, there is a need for a body independent of XM and Sirius to administer the allocation of those channels, and discussed, as one such possible mechanism, a board composed of distinguished Americans of minority background who would function in a role analogous to the trustees used as part of certain transfers or assignment transactions in the broadcasting arena. In addition, I asked that in the alternative and/or in addition, the Commission clarify that, if the merger is approved, any channels set aside for noncommercial, educational and informational programming would be available to entities like The Word Network and discussed whether the same body that administered selection of the Qualified Entities could administer the channels set aside for noncommercial, educational and informational programming or whether a separate administrative and selection apparatus was appropriate.

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Please feel free to contact me if there are any questions.

Sincerely,

Albert H. Kramer

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cc: Amy Blankenship, Legal Advisor to Commissioner Deborah Tate