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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 Twelfth Street, SW
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July 2, 2010

Re: Notice of *Ex Parte* Presentation

RE: GN Docket No. 10-127

Dear Ms. Dortch,

This letter is to advise you, in accordance with Section 1.1206(b) of the Commission's rules, that on July 1, 2010, Chris Riley and Aparna Sridhar of Free Press met with Austin Schlick, Julie Veach, David Tannenbaum, and Christopher Killion of the Office of General Counsel, and Marcus Maher of the Wireline Competition Bureau. We discussed issues related to the Commission's Notice of Inquiry on the proper legal framework for broadband Internet connectivity service. We reiterated our position that classification of broadband Internet connectivity as a telecommunications service, subject to Title II of the Communications Act, would provide a stable source of authority for the Commission's broadband policy agenda as established in the National Broadband Plan, as well as the recently adopted Notice of Proposed Rulemaking on preserving the open Internet. We stated our position that numerous provisions of Title II are critical to implement Congress's balanced framework for protecting consumers and promoting competition in the market for telecommunications services, and that the Commission should consider forbearance narrowly, within the framework of section 10 of the Act, and should not lightly set aside statutory provisions that may prove essential for future policymaking.

Sincerely,

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