



Larry Walke

Associate General Counsel
Legal & Regulatory Affairs
1771 N Street, NW • Washington DC 20036-2800
(202) 429-5313 • Fax: (202) 775-3526

ORIGINAL

February 5, 2007

Ex Parte Communication FILED/ACCEPTED

FEB - 5 2007

Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20445

**Re: XM Radio: SAT-STA-20061002-00114; SAT-STA-20061013-00119;
Sirius: SAT-STA-20061013-00121; SAT-STA-20061013-0122; SAT-
STA-20061107-00131**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On February 2, 2007, Jane Mago, David Layer and the undersigned of the National Association of Broadcasters ("NAB"), and Frank R. Jazzo of Fletcher, Heald & Hildreth, on behalf of the Alaska Broadcasters Association, met with John Branscome and Susan Goldhar of Commissioner Copps' office to discuss the above-captioned applications for Special Temporary Authority ("STAs").

Specifically, the parties discussed Sirius Satellite Radio, Inc. and XM Radio, Inc.'s requests for STA approval of their as-built terrestrial repeaters that both have operated for some time inconsistently with the STA authorizations of the repeaters in question. We urged the Commission to place both the 30-day and 180-day STA requests filed by Sirius and XM regarding these repeaters on public notice so that interested parties may have an opportunity to comment on the satellite radio companies' evidence and arguments related to the legitimacy of the repeaters. We also requested that the Commission explore an investigation into the facts and circumstances surrounding both companies' deployment of the relevant repeaters.

The parties also discussed Sirius' request for STA approval to provide service in Alaska and Hawaii. We addressed whether Sirius' use of terrestrial repeaters in these circumstances is permissible under the Commission's regulatory regime governing satellite radio terrestrial repeaters.

Please direct any questions concerning this matter to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

**NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF
BROADCASTERS**

1771 N Street, N.W.

Washington, D.C. 20036

Tel: (202) 429-5430

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Larry A. Walke". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "L" and a distinct "A." followed by "Walke".

Larry Walke

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Patricia Jones, hereby certify that I have caused copies of the foregoing *Ex Parte* Communication, to be served via U.S. Mail on this 5th day of February 2007, on the following parties listed below:

Mr. Patrick L. Donnelly
Sirius Satellite Radio, Inc.
121 Avenue of the Americas
36th Floor
New York, NY 10020

Mr. James S. Blitz
XM Radio, Inc.
1500 Eckington Place, NE
Washington, DC 20002