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

Re: CG Docket No. 05-231

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On April 19, 2006, Jill Lockett, Senior Vice President, Program Network Policy, Andy Scott, Senior Director of Engineering, Science & Technology, and Diane Burstein, Deputy General Counsel, of the National Cable & Telecommunications Association (“NCTA”) met with Jay Keithley, Deputy Bureau Chief, Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau, along with Thomas Chandler, Amelia Brown and Traci Randolph from the Disability Rights Office. During our meeting, we discussed NCTA’s written comments in the above-captioned proceeding.

Consistent with those comments, NCTA in its meeting explained how the cable industry is complying with the captioning rules and urged the Commission to refrain from imposing new closed captioning rules and reporting requirements. NCTA also explained that local cable news operations rely on electronic newsroom captioning to provide captioned material, and that a real-time captioning obligation would impose significant new burdens on those operations. Finally, NCTA discussed how the complaint rules could be modified to take into account the requirement that 100% of new non-exempt programming must be captioned.

Respectfully submitted,

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