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Rep. Jerry Nadler and Rep. Doug Collins  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Committee on the Judiciary  
Washington, DC 20515-6216

Dear Chairman Nadler and Ranking Member Collins:

Thank you for your letter regarding STELAR. We look forward to working with the Committee on the reauthorization of this important legislation. Below, please find DISH's response.

*Answer to Question #1* – The total number of DISH and DIRECTV subscribers that currently receive one or more stations through a distant signal license, pursuant to 17 U.S.C. Section 119, are approximately 870,000. Because it is competitively sensitive information, DISH is not able to provide the total number of DISH subscribers that currently receive one or more stations through a distant signal license pursuant to 17 U.S.C. Section 119.

*Answer to Question #2* – Because of the concerns about disclosing competitively sensitive information, DISH is not able to provide the breakdown by each statutory provision of subscribers receiving distant signals. However, DISH currently provides distant signals in “short markets” pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 119(g)(2)(E) and to eligible RV and commercial trucks pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 119(d)(10)(D). The attached document shows the call signs of broadcast stations being used to serve short markets. For eligible RV and commercial trucks, DISH provides the top-4 broadcast stations from the New York market (WABC, WCBS, WNYW and WNBC) and Los Angeles (KABC, KBCS, KTTV, and KNBC).

*Answer to Question #3* – None, apart from service to “short markets” noted in response to Question #2.

*Answer to Question #4* – DISH provides local stations in all 210 DMAs, so Question #4 is not applicable to us.

*Answer to Question #5* – Because it is competitively sensitive information, DISH is not able to provide the total number of DISH subscribers that currently receive one or more distant stations in short markets.

Sincerely,



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