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The Honorable Arlen Specter
Attention: Barr Huefner
Senate Judiciary Committee
224 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Specter:

As you requested, enclosed please find corrections to my testimony before your Committee as well as responses to the Committee members' follow up questions.

Thank you for giving me an opportunity to testify. Please feel free to contact me if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Landel C. Hobbs', with a long, sweeping flourish extending upwards and to the right.

Landel C. Hobbs

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Enclosures

1. You indicated in your testimony that you've attempted to negotiate with individual teams to obtain programming. Please describe the type of programming you were trying to obtain.

TWC has attempted to obtain various types of non-game programming from some individual teams. This includes coaches' and owners' shows, player and cheerleader profiles and coverage of team practices.

2. Have you ever attempted to obtain live game programming from an individual team? If so, what was the response of the team or teams with which you attempted to negotiate? And, the response of the NFL?

No, TWC has not attempted to obtain regular-season live games from any individual team, because the NFL has made clear that the individual teams do not have the right to distribute such programming.

3. Do you think the NFL member teams should have an antitrust exemption that would allow them legally to engage in joint negotiations with cable and satellite companies? In other words, should the reach of the Sports Broadcasting Act be expanded?

As I stated in my testimony, TWC believes that business matters should generally be left to the marketplace. This means also that the antitrust laws, which are intended to protect the free marketplace, should generally be applied equally to all competitors. TWC, therefore, believes that the antitrust exemption in the Sports Broadcasting Act should not be expanded but that, if anything, Congress should examine whether that Act should be repealed.

4. Would you say that the NFL has been able to offer a "take it or leave it" deal with respect to the NFL Network? Do you think that the NFL would be able to do so if you were able to negotiate with individual teams?

We do not believe that the offers have been on a "take it or leave it" basis. We do believe, however, that the NFL Network has shown very little flexibility as to what tier of carriage they would agree to in an affiliation agreement. This has been made clear not only in our discussions, but also in the NFL's public statements, including its testimony before this Committee. All other things being equal, there would probably be greater flexibility on this point if teams were required to negotiate individually.