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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
WASHINGTON

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The Honorable Barbara Boxer
United States Senate
112 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Boxer,

Thank you for your letters, first following up on the June 2004 draft of an FCC staff working paper on localism, and then making me aware of the draft 2003 "Review of the Radio Industry".

As with the previous study, I was not Chairman at the time this report was drafted. I had not seen -- nor was I aware of -- this draft report before you brought it to my attention. No one on my staff had seen this report nor were they aware of it.

I want to assure you that I too am concerned about what happened to these two draft reports. I have asked the Inspector General of the FCC to conduct an investigation into what happened to these draft documents and will cooperate fully with him.

As I mentioned in my previous letter, I do believe the 2004 working paper covers issues relevant to both our localism and media ownership proceedings and have placed the report in the record and made it available to the public on our website. I am also making the 2003 "Review of the Radio Industry" publicly available on our website and will place copies in the record of both our localism and media ownership proceedings. Finally, I will ask that the staff update it with the most recent industry data and release it publicly prior to the conclusion of the media ownership proceeding.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kevin J. Martin", written over a horizontal line.

Kevin J. Martin