

**STATEMENT OF
COMMISSIONER ROBERT M. MCDOWELL**

Re: CBS Radio, Inc., File No. EB-06-1H-1109, Order

Re: Citadel Broadcasting Corporation, File No. EB-06-1H-1108, Order

Re: Clear Channel Communications, Inc., File Nos. EB-05-1H-0059 and EB-05-1H-0144, Order

Re: Entercom Communications Corp., File No. EB-05-1H-0033, Order

I am pleased to support these Orders, which adopt the consent decrees entered into between the Commission and each of the above companies. The Commission takes seriously its responsibility to enforce the law governing sponsorship identification. The allegations of payola being pervasive in the industry undermine public confidence in radio broadcasting and are of great concern to me. I am pleased that each company has agreed to implement a compliance plan and meaningful business reforms for the purpose of ensuring compliance with our rules. I am also pleased to hear that the companies have voluntarily committed to take additional actions, including collectively airing over 4,000 hours of programming featuring local and independent artists and endorsing rules of engagement regarding the interaction between their stations and record labels to improve the ability of new and emerging artists to have their music aired. I thank the Chairman and Commissioners Adelstein and Tate for their leadership on this issue.