Before the COPYRIGHT ROYALTY BOARD LIBRARY OF CONGRESS Washington, D.C.

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In the Matter of:	:	
	:	Docket No. 16-CRB-0002-PBR (2018-22)
DETERMINATION OF RATES	:	
AND TERMS FOR PUBLIC	:	
BROADCASTING (PB III)	:	
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PETITION TO PARTICIPATE OF NATIONAL MUSIC PUBLISHERS' ASSOCIATION

The National Music Publishers' Association ("NMPA") submits this petition in accordance with 17 U.S.C. §§ 803 and 804, 37 C.F.R. § 351.1 and the Copyright Royalty Board notice of January 5, 2016, 81 Fed. Reg. 256-57, to participate in a proceeding to establish royalty rates and terms payable to public broadcasting entities for the compulsory license established under Section 118 of the Copyright Act (the "Section 118 License") for the five-year period beginning January 1, 2018 and ending December 31, 2022 (the "Proceeding").

The NMPA has a significant interest in the Proceeding within the meaning of 17 U.S.C. § 803(b)(2) and C.F.R. § 351.1, in the royalty rates and terms for the reproduction, distribution and public performance of copyrighted musical works by public broadcasting entities pursuant to the Section 118 License. Founded in 1917, NMPA is the principal trade association representing the U.S. music publishing and songwriting industry. NMPA protects and advances the interests of music publishers and songwriters in matters relating to both the domestic and global protection of music copyrights. NMPA represents publishers and songwriters of all catalog and revenue

sizes, from large international corporations to small businesses and individuals. Taken together, compositions owned or controlled by NMPA members account for the vast majority of the market for musical composition licensing in the U.S.

NMPA has long represented the interests of music copyright owners in proceedings to set royalty rates and terms for compulsory licenses under the Copyright Act. NMPA was one of the principal participants representing the interests of copyright owners in the proceeding to set rates and terms for the use of musical works by public broadcasting entities under the Section 118 License in 2011. Notwithstanding the filing of this petition, NMPA is hopeful that it will be able to reach a voluntary settlement agreement of rates and terms under the Section 118 License as has occurred in the past. The required filing fee of \$150.00 is submitted with this petition.

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Respectfully submitted,

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