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To Whom It May Concern:

Seton Hall University, licensee of noncommercial FM Class A station WSOU, South Orange, New Jersey ("WSOU"), submits the following Comments in support of the proposal to codify the Webcasting Settlement Act of 2009-2010, as negotiated by College Broadcasters. Inc ("CBI") and the SoundExchange, as the federal regulations for 2011-2015.

We support this proposal because the terms of the agreement reached between CBI and the SoundExchange and published in the Federal Register on April 1, 2010 are in the best interest of WSOU. Presently, our station benefits from provisions of the Webcasting royalty agreement now in place, under the WSA 2009 settlement, between CBI and the SoundExchange. This settlement has proven not only to be affordable for our station, but also easily implementable. The optional Reporting Waiver has freed WSOU from burdensome reporting requirements, while allowing the royalties to be paid to the rightful recipients. The current agreement has allowed WSOU to continue its decades-long tradition of airing live programming 24/7 with playlists created manually by the DJ on duty and not by a computer program. Simply put, the current agreement has been a win-win for WSOU and many other noncommercial educational broadcasters across the country. It just makes sense to establish the CBI/SoundExchange Webcasting Settlement Act of 2009-2010 as the federal standard for 2011-2015.

WSOU and Seton Hall University fully endorse the proposal to establish the Webcasting Settlement Act of 2009-2010 negotiated by CBI and the SoundExchange as the federal regulations for 2011-2015. The agreement has already proven that it provides a reasonable basis for setting statutory terms and rates, and that it can readily be implemented by stations. We encourage the CRB and its Judges to adopt the proposed regulations reference upon and thank you for this opportunity to express our views.

Respectfully submitted, WSOU-FM

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