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Secretary, Marlene H. Dortch Federal Communications Commission Office of the Secretary 445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

Dear Secretary Dortch:

December 16, 2014

Subject: Renewal numbers: KHNL: BRCDT - 20141001CEM, KGMB: BRCDT - 20141001CDU and

KFVE: BRCDT - 20140930AFX

The Hawaii State Teachers Association (HSTA) is the exclusive representative of more than 13,500 public and charter school teachers statewide. As the state affiliate of the 3.2 million members of the National Education Association, HSTA is in opposition to the license renewals for the above referenced stations: KHNL, KGMB and KFVE. Monopoly media has stunted the flow of information. One newsroom, Raycom Media's Hawaii News Now, produces identical news for all three stations.

In 2009, Raycom Media took over the three television stations. They are the outright owners of KHNL (NBC affiliate), KGMB (CBS affiliate) and KFVE, an independent station. Since then, our community has suffered in that there is less coverage of local stories, loss of diversity of opinion, reduction of enterprise reporting and a general homogenization of information and lack of competition.

Diversity and competition are vital for our community; therefore, we ASK that you DENY the license renewals for KHNL, KGMB, and KFVE.

Sincerely,

Wil Okabe President



