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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary
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Re: Renewal numbers:

KHNL: BRC DT - 20141001CEM

KGMB: BRC DT - 20141001CDU

KFVE: BRC DT - 20140930AFX

Dear Secretary Dortch:

The International Union of Painters and Allied Trades, District Council 50 (DC50), represents five (5) unions; the Painters, Local Union 1791; the Glaziers Architectural and Glass Metal Workers, Local Union 1889; the Carpet Linoleum and Soft Tile, Local Union 1926; the Drywall, Tapers Finishers, Local Union 1955; and the Pearl Harbor Metal Trades, Local Union 1941 – approximately 2000 members statewide. DC50 appreciates the opportunity to write in opposition to the license renewals for the above referenced stations.

It is important that our members receive timely and pertinent information about public issues.

We are writing 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. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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