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Mr. David Donovan President and Executive Director New York State Broadcasters Association, Inc. 1805 Western Avenue Albany, NY 12203

Dear Mr. Donovan:

Thank you for appearing before the Subcommittee on Communications and Technology on Thursday, March 22, 2018, to testify at the hearing entitled "Legislative Hearing on Four Communications Bills."

Pursuant to the Rules of the Committee on Energy and Commerce, the hearing record remains open for ten business days to permit Members to submit additional questions for the record, which are attached. To facilitate the printing of the hearing record, please respond to these questions with a transmittal letter by the close of business on Monday, April 23, 2018. Your responses should be mailed to Evan Viau, Legislative Clerk, Committee on Energy and Commerce, 2125 Rayburn House Office Building, Washington, DC 20515 and e-mailed to Evan Viau@mail.house.gov.

Thank you again for your time and effort preparing and delivering testimony before the Subcommittee.

Sincerely.

Marsha Blackburn

Chairman

Subcommittee on Communications and Technology

cc: The Honorable Michael F. Doyle, Ranking Member, Subcommittee on Communications and Technology

Attachment

Attachment—Additional Questions for the Record

The Honorable Adam Kinzinger

- 1. As a pilot, it concerned me to hear that illegal pirate operations have led to documented interference with aviation communications. Can you elaborate on the harm that these pirate stations pose to aviation safety?
 - a. How would the policies in the PIRATE Act better enable the FCC to shut down pirate radio operations and minimize aviation safety risk and other harms?

The Honorable Paul Tonko

- 1. Why is it important for us to extend liability to those who facilitate pirate operations?
- 2. Can you explain the concerns with the interference with FAA frequencies?
- 3. Why do you believe the FCC needs more enforcement "tools" to help with the pirate radio problem?