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Docket No. 14-CRB-0011-SD
(2013)

PETITION TO PARTICIPATE

Pursuant to 17 U.S.C. §§ 801(b)(3) and 804(b)(8) and 37 CFR § 351.1(b)(2), Major League Soccer, LLC ("Petitioner") submits its Petition to Participate in the proceeding of the Copyright Royalty Judges to determine the Phase I and II distributions of 2013 royalties collected under the cable and satellite statutory licenses.

Pursuant to Section 351.1(b)(2)(i)(A)-(C), the following information is provided:

(A) The full name, address, telephone number, facsimile number, and e-mail address of the Petitioner:

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(B) In a cable or satellite royalty distribution proceeding, identification of whether the petition covers a Phase I proceeding (the initial part of a distribution proceeding where royalties are divided among the categories or groups of copyright owners), a Phase II proceeding (where the money allotted to each category is subdivided among the various copyright owners within that category), or both:

This Petition covers the Phase II cable and satellite distribution proceedings for 2013.

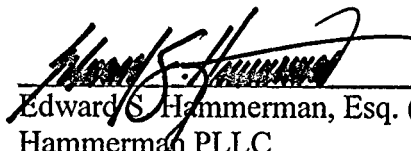
(C) A description of the Petitioner's significant interest in the subject matter of the proceeding:

Petitioner produces live sporting events, owns the copyright in that programming, and has submitted claims for statutory royalties from the respective cable and satellite royalty funds. Petitioner is a Phase II claimant for cable and satellite royalties within the Joint Sports Claimant category. Petitioner understands that there are other claimants seeking a share of the Joint Sports Claimant category allocations, but it has not reached settlement with any other potential Phase II Joint Sports Claimants. Based on discussions to date, while Petitioner remains optimistic that it will reach a Phase II settlement with the other Phase II parties, it is possible that a Phase II proceeding will be necessary to resolve these disputes. Therefore, Petitioner has a significant interest in the subject matter of the Phase II distribution proceeding.

The undersigned hereby certifies that, as of the date of submission of this Petition, I have the authority and consent of Petitioner to represent it in this royalty distribution proceeding. A check in the amount of \$300 accompanies this Petition to cover the cable and satellite filing fees.

Respectfully submitted,

MAJOR LEAGUE SOCCER, LLC



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 6th day of July, 2015, a copy of the foregoing Petition to Participate was sent by Federal Express standard overnight delivery to the parties listed below:

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Cable Royalties Claimant	Claim Year	Claim Number	Claim Type	Claim Category
Major League Soccer, LLC	2013	4	1	2

Satellite Royalties Claimant	Claim Year	Claim Number	Claim Type	Phase I Category
Major League Soccer, LLC	2013	3	1	2

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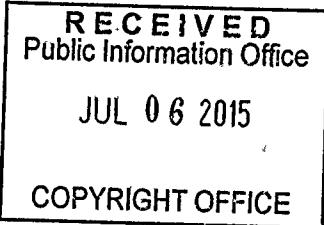
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**Re: In the Matter of Distribution of the 2013 Cable and Satellite Royalty Funds
Docket Nos. 2014-CRB-0010 CD (2013); and 2014-CRB-0011 SD (2013)**

Dear Sir or Madam:

On behalf of Major League Soccer, LLC, the purpose of this letter is to submit one (1) original, five (5) paper copies and one (1) electronic copy of each file on CD in PDF or Microsoft Excel formats to the Copyright Royalty Board to file a Petition to Participate in the above-noted proceeding. Also included in a check in the amount of \$300 to pay the relevant filing fees.

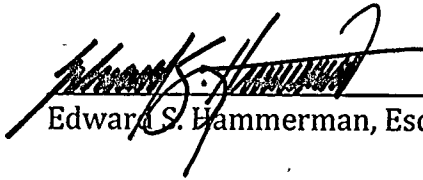
I would appreciate if you would date-stamp the attached copy of this cover letter and the file copy of the Petition, and return them to my Firm via courier. Should you have any questions related to this filing, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely yours,

INTERMEDIARY COPYRIGHT
ROYALTY SERVICES

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MAJOR LEAGUE SOCCER, LLC

By:


Edward S. Hammerman, Esq.

Enclosures

cc: William Ordower, Esq.