

January 13, 2015

Via Hand Delivery
Copyright Royalty Board
U.S. Copyright Office
Library of Congress
101 Independence Avenue, S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20559-6000

**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 format to the Copyright Royalty Board to file Comments on the existence of Phase II controversies in the above-noted proceeding.

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
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Enclosures

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Before the
COPYRIGHT ROYALTY BOARD
Washington, D.C.

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MAJOR LEAGUE SOCCER, LLC
NOTICE OF CONTROVERSY RELATING TO THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE
2013 CABLE AND SATELLITE ROYALTY FUNDS.

Major League Soccer, LLC (“MLS”), hereby submits its Notice of Controversy in response to the request for comments published by the Copyright Royalty Judges (“Judges”) in the Federal Register, dated December 22, 2014, in the above noted docket.

MLS, as represented by undersigned counsel, has claims to royalties awarded for live sports broadcasts related to cable and satellite funds including, but not limited to, 2013. With respect to that year, MLS is aware of Phase II controversies in the Joint Sports Claimants (“JSC”) category among MLS and other members of that group.

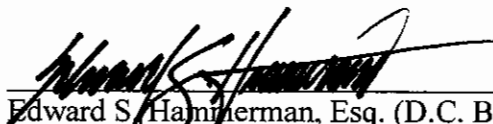
At this time, MLS intends to negotiate in good faith, but has not reached a Phase II settlement with other JSC members, and while it remains optimistic that a settlement will be reached, it remains possible that a hearing may be necessary to resolve controversies including the amount of royalties to be allocated to MLS’s broadcasts.

If Phase II hearings are held, then MLS intends to participate.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that on this 13th day of January, 2015, a copy of the foregoing Notice of Controversy was sent by Federal Express standard overnight delivery to the parties listed below:

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