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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BEFORE THE FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS: Edith Ramirez, Chairwoman Julie Brill

Julie Brill Maureen K. Ohlhausen Joshua D. Wright

In the Matter of

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distributes its content on multiple platforms including cable and satellite television, online, mobile, and radio.

- Q. "Key Arbitron Employees" means the employees listed on Confidential Exhibit A of this Order.
- R. "Link Meter Technology" means (1) all software (source code and object code) intended for use in Project Blueprint that enables comScore to synchronize its media measurement data with the panelists in the Arbitron Calibration Panel; and (2) all other rights and interests arising out of, in connection with, or in relation to such software, including, but not limited to, all rights to causes of action and remedies related thereto.

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CC. "Television Data" means all data from the Arbitron PPM Panel that reflect Panelist Characteristics, dictionary of reported data fields, and records of encoded video content detected by the panelists' PPMs as reported consistent with the practices Arbitron used for reporting data for Project Blueprint, and additionally including time shifted viewing data (which shall include video on demand) identified as such, which additional time shifted viewing data shall be provided to the Acquirer at Direct Cost.

II.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that:

A. No later than three (3) months after Respondents execute the Agreement Containing Consent Order, Respondents shall divest the Link Meter Technology absolutely and in

- a. provide Cross-Platform Services, including to encode additional content and/or advertising and developing and managing any panel using the PPM Technology for Cross-Platform Services provided by the Acquirer to its customers, and
- b. obtain accreditation by the MRC in connection with the provision of Cross-Platform Services.
- C. No later than the date Respondents divest the Link Meter Technology to the Acquirer pursuant to Paragraph II.A., above, Respondents shall, pursuant to a Remedial Agreement and consistent with the requirements of Paragraph IV.B.1., for a period of no less than eight (8) years from the date of the divestiture required by Paragraph II.A., above, provide to the Acquirer for purposes of developing and providing Cross-Platform Services to its customers, and grant to the Acquirer a perpetual, royalty-free license (for data delivered during the term of the Remedial Agreement) for the use of:
 - 1. Television Data;
 - 2. Radio Data; and
 - 3. Calibration Panel Data;

Respondents shall provide the Television Data, Radio Data, and Calibration Panel Data (except for five- digit zip code data) to the Acquirer on a respondent-level basis and an aggregated basis by specified customers' stations, networks, websites, and/or other media distribution platforms, as identified by the Acquirer, in such form, at such frequency as reasonably requested by the Acquirer, but in no event less frequent than the frequency Arbitron used for reporting data for Project Blueprint, and according to such metrics as reasonably requested by the Acquirer; in that, with respect to five-digit zip code data, Respondents shall provide the total number of individuals by zip code as reasonably requested by the Acquirer (but at least monthly); and if Respondents make any zip code data, or any segment reporting derived from zip codes, available to its customers of national Cross-Platform Services, then Respondents shall provide five-digit zip code data to the Acquirer sufficient to provide similar information to Acquirer's customers, as reasonably requested by the Acquirer; pill that Respondents shall have and retain full and exclusive right, title, and ownership interest in and to any information provided by Respondents to the Acquirer except that the Acquirer shall have the right to use the information to develop and provide Cross-Platform Services to its customers pursuant to the Remedial Agreement; pin

 \mathbf{k} , that, with respect to Radio Data, the Acquirer may not disclose Radio Data to any customer of the Acquirer who is not also a subscriber to Arbitron radio ratings.

- D. Respondents shall:
 - 1. Have no authority to, and shall not exercise or attempt to exercise any authority to, market or price the Cross-Platform Services that the Acquirer sells to the Acquirer's customers,

- 2. Not be entitled to any revenue, or portion thereof, that the Acquirer collects from its customers, or attempt to collect any revenue, or portion thereof, from the Acquirer attributable to revenue that the Acquirer collects from its customers; and
- 3. Not make any change to the PPM Technology or Encoding Technology that has the effect of eliminating or impairing the ability of the PPM to collect records of encoded video content.
- E. The Remedial Agreement shall be incorporated by reference into this Order and made a

employees; and

- 7. At the Prospective Acquirer's option, copies of all employee benefit plans and summary plan descriptions (if any) applicable to the Key Arbitron Employee;
- B. No later than ten (10) days after a request from a Prospective Acquirer, provide to the Prospective Acquirer an opportunity to meet personally and outside the presence or hearing of any employee or agent of any Respondent, with any one or more of the Key Arbitron Employees, and to make offers of employment to any one or more of the Key Arbitron Employees.
- C. Not interfere, directly or indirectly, with the hiring or employing by the Prospective Acquirer of any Key Arbitron Employees, not offer any incentive to such employees to decline employment with the Prospective Acquirer, and not otherwise interfere with the recruitment of any Key Arbitron Employees by the Prospective Acquirer;
- D. Remove any impediments within the control of Respondents that may deter Key Arbitron Employees from accepting employment with the Prospective Acquirer, including, but not limited to, removal of any non-compete or confidentiality provisions of employment or other contracts with Respondents that may affect the ability or incentive of those individuals to be employed by the Prospective Acquirer, and shall not make any counteroffer to a Key Arbitron Employeee2yrer'

F. For any employees (except those listed on Confidential Exhibit B) who are terminated by Respondents who had responsibilities for or were involved in Project

Acquirer fails to pay the Direct Costs directly attributable to managing and maintaining the Arbitron Calibration Panel as required by the Remedial Agreement; (2) Respondents notify the Acquirer, the Monitor, and Commission staff of Acquirer's failure to pay Direct Costs and give the Acquirer thirty (30) days from receiving that notice to cure the failure; and (3) the Acquirer fails to cure.

- 2. At the request of the Acquirer, expand the Arbitron Calibration Panel beyond the two (2) thousand panelists required in Paragraph IV.A.1.a. to enable national projections under the following conditions:
 - a. Respondents shall require the Acquirer to pay the Direct Costs directly attributable to the expansion of the Arbitron Calibration Panel; *ii iv*, that Respondents may enter into a Remedial Agreement that includes additional payments to which the Acquirer agrees, as approved by the Commission;
 - b. the Acquirer shall have full and exclusive right, title, and ownership interest in and to any and all data generated by the expansion of the Arbitron Calibration Panel; and
 - c. at the Acquirer's option, Respondents shall have the right to use the data generated by the expansion of the Arbitron Calibration Panel at a cost negotiated and agreed to by the Acquirer and Respondents, as reviewed and approved by the Monitor in consultation with Commission staff;
- B. Respondents shall manage and maintain (and expand as required by Paragraph IV.B.2. below) the Arbitron PPM Panel consistent with Respondents' own practices and under the following conditions:
 - Respondents shall require the Acquirer to pay the Direct Costs directly attributable to the cost of providing the data generated by the Arbitron PPM Panel to the Acquirer; in , that Respondents may enter into a Remedial Agreement that includes additional payments to which the Acquirer agrees, as approved by the Commission; and
 - 2. At the request of the Acquirer, expand the Arbitron PPM Panel to enable national projections under the following conditions:
 - a. Respondents shall require the Acquirer to pay the Direct Costs directly attributable to such expansion and to

c. at the Acquirer's option, Respondents shall have the right to use the data generated by the expansion of the Arbitron PPM Panel at a cost negotiated and agreed to by the Acquirer and Respondents, as reviewed and approved by the Monitor in consultation with Commission staff.

V.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that after the date of the divestiture of the Link Meter Technology, Respondents shall not disclose, provide, discuss, exchange, circulate, convey, or otherwise furnish Confidential Information of the Acquirer, directly or indirectly, to or with any of Respondents' employees, officers, directors, agents or representatives with responsibilities relating to Respondents' audience measurement business, except as necessary to comply with the requirements of this Order.

VI.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that:

- A. At any time after Respondents sign the Consent Agreement in this matter, the Commission may appoint a monitor ("Monitor") to assure that Respondents comply with all obligations and perform all responsibilities required by this Order and the Remedial Agreement.
- B. The Commission shall select the Monitor, subject to the consent of Respondents, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld. If Respondents have not opposed, in writing, including the reasons for opposing, the selection of a proposed Monitor within ten (10) days after notice by the staff of the Commission to Respondents of the identity of any proposed Monitor, Respondents shall be deemed to have consented to the selection of the proposed Monitor.
- C. Not later than ten (10) days after the appointment of the Monitor, Respondents shall execute an agreement that, subject to the prior approval of the Commission, confers upon the Monitor all the rights and powers nece Agreement.

- 2. The Monitor shall act in a fiduciary capacity for the benefit of the Commission.
- 3. The Monitor shall serve until termination of this Order.
- 4. The Monitor shall report in writing to the Commission every sixty (60) days concerning the Monitor's duties and responsibilities.
- 5. Subject to any demonstrated legally recognized privilege, the Monitor shall have full and complete access to Respondents' personnel, books, documents, records kept in the ordinary course of business, facilities and technical information, and such other relevant information as the Monitor may reasonably request, related to Respondents' compliance with their obligations under this Order. Respondents shall cooperate with any reasonable request of the Monitor and shall take no action to interfere with or impede the Monitor's ability to monitor Respondents' compliance with this Order and the Remedial Agreement.
- 6. The Monitor shall serve, without bond or other security, at the expense of Respondents, on such reasonable and customary terms and conditions as the Commission may set. The Monitor shall have authority to employ, at the expense of Respondents, such consultants, accountants, attorneys and other representatives and assistants as are reasonably necessary to carry out the Monitor's duties and responsibilities.
- 7. Respondents shall indemnify the Monitor and hold the Monitor harmless against all losses, claims, damages, liabilities, or expenses arising out of, or in connection with, the performance of the Monitor's duties, including all reasonable fees of counsel and other reasonable expenses incurred in connection with the preparations for, or defense of, any claim, whether or not resulting in any liability, except to the extent that such losses, claims, damages, liabilities, or expenses result from gross negligence, willful or wanton acts, or bad faith by the Monitor.
- 8. Respondents may require the Monitor and each of the Monitor's consultants, accountants, attorneys and other representatives and assistants to sign a customary confidentiality agreement; in , that such agreement shall not restrict the Monitor (and its representatives) from providing any information to, or receiving information from, the Commission.
- 9. The Commission may, among other things, require the Monitor and each of the Monitor's consultants, accountants, attorneys and other representatives and assistants to sign an appropriate confidentiality agreement related to Commission materials and information received in connection with the performance of the Monitor's duties.

- 10. In the event the Commission determines that the Monitor is no longer willing or able to perform his/her duties under this Order, or has ceased to act or failed to act diligently, the Commission may appoint a substitute Monitor in the same manner as provided in this Paragraph.
- 11. The Commission may on its own initiative, or at the request of the Monitor, issue such additional orders or directions as may be necessary or appropriate to assure compliance with the requirements of this Order.
- 12. The Monitor appointed pursuant to this Paragraph VI. may be the same person appointed as the Divestiture Trustee pursuant to Paragraph VII. of this Order.

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- 2. If a Divestiture Trustee is appointed by the Commission or a court pursuant to this Paragraph, Respondents shall consent to the following terms and conditions regarding the Divestiture Trustee's powers, duties, authority, and responsibilities:
 - a. subject to the prior approval of the Commission, the Divestiture Trustee shall have the exclusive power and authority to effectuate the divestiture required by, and satisfy the additional obligations imposed by, this Order.
 - b. the Divestiture Trustee shall have six (6) months after the date the Commission approves the trust agreement described herein to accomplish the divestiture, which shall be subject to the prior approval of the Commission. If, however, at the end of the six (6) month period, the Divestiture Trustee has submitted a plan to satisfy the obligations of Paragraphs II. and IV. of this Order, or believes that such obligations can be achieved within a reasonable time, the period may be extended by the Commission, or, in the case of a court-appointed Divestiture Trustee, by the court; in the case of a commission may extend the period for only an additional three (3) months.
 - c. subject to any demonstrated legally recognized privilege, the Divestiture Trustee shall have full and complete access to the personnel, books, records, and facilities related to the relevant assets that are required to be divested by this Order and to any other relevant information, as the Divestiture Trustee may request. Respondents shall develop such financial or other information as the Divestiture Trustee may request and shall cooperate with the Divestiture Trustee. Respondents shall take no action to interfere with or impede the Divestiture Trustee's accomplishment of the divestiture. Any delays caused by Respondents shall extend the time under this Paragraph VII. for a time period equal to the delay, as determined by the Commission or, for a court-appointed Divestiture Trustee, by the court.
 - d. the Divestiture Trustee shall use commercially reasonable efforts to negotiate the most favorable price and terms available in each contract that is submitted to the Commission, subject to Respondents' absolute and unconditional obligation to divest expeditiously subject to the provisions of Paragraphs II. and IV., including, bur6hlc9c

- C. If the Commission determines that the Divestiture Trustee has ceased to act or failed to act diligently, the Commission may appoint a substitute Divestiture Trustee in the same manner as provided in this Paragraph VII.
- D. The Commission or, in the case of a court-appointed Divestiture Trustee, the court, may on its own initiative or at the request of the Divestiture Trustee, issue such additional orders or directions as may be necessary or appropriate to accomplish the divestitures required by this Order.
- E. The Divestiture Trustee appointed pursuant to this Paragraph VII. may be the same

C. Any other change in such Respondent, including, but not limited to, assignment and the creation or dissolution of subsidiaries, if such change might affect compliance obligations arising out of this Order.

X.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that for purposes of determining or securing compliance with this Order, and subject to any legally recognized privilege, and upon written request and upon five (5) days' notice to Respondents made to either Respondents' principal United States office, registered office of its United States subsidiary, or its headquarters address, Respondents shall, without restraint or interference, permit any duly authorized representative of the Commission:

- A. Access, during business office hours of Respondents and in the presence of counsel, to all facilities and access to inspect and copy all books, ledgers, accounts, correspondence, memoranda, and all other records and documents in the possession or under the control of Respondents related to compliance with this Order, which copying services shall be provided by Respondents at the request of the authorized representative(s) of the Commission and at the expense of the Respondents; and
- B. To interview officers, directors, or employees of Respondents, who may have counsel present, regarding such matters.

XI.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Order shall terminate eight (8) years after the date this Order is issued.

By the Commission.

Donald S. Clark Secretary

SEAL: ISSUED:

Confidential Exhibits A and B

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