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Digital Media Association Applauds Passing of Webcaster Settlement Act of 2009

Washington, D.C. (June 18, 2009) – Jonathan Potter, Executive Director of the Digital Media Association (DiMA), issued the following statement following the United States Senate’s passage of the Webcaster Settlement Act of 2009.

“On behalf of commercial webcasters, both large and small, I extend DiMA’s appreciation to Senator Ron Wyden and Senator Sam Brownback for quickly pushing this bill through the Senate and on to President Obama’s desk for his signature. The Webcaster Settlement Act provides webcasters an opportunity to negotiate financial relief from the Copyright Royalty Board’s 2007 Internet radio royalty decision.

Hopefully, as Congress continues to focus more broadly on sound recording performance rights legislation, more comprehensive legislation will soon level the regulatory playing field for all forms of digital radio.”

DiMA is the ambassador for the digital media industry: webcasters, online media, digital services, and technology innovators. DiMA advocates for business and regulatory environments that support our members’ growth and success, including fair competition, fair royalties, innovation and consumer welfare.

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