To the Members of the Internet Task Force:

I listened with interest to the December 12th Livestream broadcast of the discussion about the Copyright Policy "Green Paper" recently published by the Department of Commerce Internet Policy Task Force.

There are a number of initiatives ongoing in music which encompass both the spirit and the specific recommendations of the "Copyright Green Paper", including my own patent-pending technology called eMfile. eMfile is specifically designed to aggregate and cross-reference existing copyright databases to enhance and accelerate online licensing and monetization to an agreed-upon standard. This technology is currently being discussed with the major US PRO's and rightsholder organizations, and is also designed to be interoperable with other databases including the GRD.

We applaud the work of the Internet Task Force and agree with most of the recommendations, including the recommendation to create interoperable databases to a particular standard, and we welcome the support of the Department of Commerce, the USPTO, and, specifically, the NTIA and Internet Task Force.

It is important, however, that industry be left to create its own standards as the rights environment for music is complex and nuanced. The music industry recognizes the need for such standards and solutions and specific technology is being rapidly developed to address these issues.

Please do not hesitate to contact me for more information.

Respectfully,

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