## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS AUSTIN DIVISION

UMG RECORDINGS, INC., et al.,	)
Plaintiffs,	)
VS.	)
GRANDE COMMUNICATIONS NETWORKS LLC,	) No. 1:17-cv-00365-LY )
Defendant.	)
	)

## <u>DEFENDANT GRANDE COMMUNICATIONS NETWORKS LLC'S</u> <u>REPORT AND RESPONSE TO PLAINTIFFS' REPORT ON ADR</u> PURSUANT TO THE SCHEDULING ORDER & LOCAL RULE CV-88(B)

Pursuant to paragraphs 3 and 4 of the Court's Scheduling Order [Dkt. 66] and Local Rule CV-88(b), and in response to the Report submitted unilaterally by Plaintiffs, Grande Communications Networks LLC ("Grande") hereby submits this Report concerning the status of settlement negotiations and the potential for alternative dispute resolution.

Due to the nature of Plaintiffs' written offer of settlement, Grande notified Plaintiffs that it would require additional time to prepare and transmit its official written response. Grande's delay in preparing its written response is borne from its interest in providing a thorough response, which it expects to serve by next Monday, July 30, 2018. Notwithstanding that delay, the parties have discussed Plaintiffs' written offer and Grande's anticipated response on numerous occasions and have also engaged in meaningful discussions regarding the likelihood of conducting a mediation in light of Plaintiffs' written offer.

Plaintiffs elected to file a unilateral ADR Report knowing that Grande needed extra time to respond to its written offer. It is Grande's position that once it has filed its response, the

parties should confer and submit a supplemental ADR report in order to present the Court with an informed joint position regarding the propriety of conducting mediation in this case.

Pursuant to Local Rule CV-88(b), Grande identifies Jeffrey Kramp (General Counsel for Grande) as the party responsible for conducting settlement discussions on Grande's behalf.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: July 25, 2018

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

The undersigned certifies that on July 25, 2018, all counsel of record who are deemed to have consented to electronic service are being served with a copy of this document via the Court's CM/ECF system pursuant to Local Rule CV-5(b)(1).

/s/ Richard L. Brophy
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