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Hello DOJ -

Here are a few suggested changes to the consent decrees:

1. Replace the current federal rate court review procedure with an arbitration process to consider what is the fair market value of a song.
2. Allow publishing companies (and individual writers) to withdraw their digital rights and negotiate licensing fees privately with digital streaming companies.
3. Eliminate the provision of the consent decree that prohibits the organization from accepting any licensing rights besides public performance rights.

Thank you,  
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