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Craig Tanner  
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Dear Mr. Tanner,

Sun Microsystems is currently working with the ATSC and the T3/S17 Digital-TV Application Software Environment specialist group (DASE) in the development of a software specification for advanced television receivers in the United States.

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