Hello, Friends:

On behalf of everyone on The MLC’s team, I hope you all have a safe, happy, and healthy holiday season. I hope you look back on 2020 with pride for all the challenges you faced and preview what’s in store in the coming year. I hope you have a year for us, filled with additional milestones. So, we’ve split our focus in this month’s newsletter into two parts.

Part 1: The MLC’s historical activity.

The MLC begins receiving usage reports and payments from digital audio services. On February 15, 2021, all of the historical unmatched activity will be paid. Deadline for DSPs to send The MLC their mechanical royalty payments and usage data was January 1, 2021. For the third time in less than a year, we are improving our payments processes to ensure that we can make prompt payments for any royalties we collect for your works.

Part 2: The MLC’s future vision.

The MLC teams up with Blokur, Exactuals, Music Data Services, and TuneRegistry to announce TrueRemove®. We are excited to begin working with these partners to share the developments in a monthly newsletter.

The MLC will continue to pursue new partnerships to help maximize your income from streaming and download of your songs.

Mark Your Calendar!

January 5, 2021: The MLC to present findings from its first Data Quality Initiative (DQI) webinar to participants starting January 1, 2021.

January 12, 2021: The MLC webinar for self-administered songwriters will be held on Tuesday, January 12, 2021, at 2 pm ET.

February 15, 2021: The MLC webinar for self-administered songwriters will be held on Tuesday, February 16, 2021, at 2 pm ET.

March 17, 2021: The MLC webinar for self-administered songwriters will be held on Tuesday, March 16, 2021, at 2 pm ET.

The DQI (Data Quality Initiative) is a program that enrolls members to compare how The MLC has matched a portion of their works to their digital audio service data to the members' own data. The MLC is the first music rights organization to offer this type of program. The MLC is excited to announce that the DQI is now open for all US members to enroll.

The DQI is free to members and is a great way to ensure you are receiving all of your mechanical royalties. The DQI is a great way to ensure you are receiving all of your mechanical royalties.

The MLC In the News

The Mechanical Licensing Collective Unveils New Toolkit for College Educators and Students

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How Self-Administered Songwriters Can Grow Their Business

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