Newsletter Positioning Brief

DATE:	NEWSLETTER NAME:	FROM:
LAUNCH DATE:	PREPARED BY	TARGET:

Americans overwhelmingly live in their email inboxes. Email is a critical channel for news delivery with 3 major business opportunities:

- 1) Command the most expensive ad placement
- 2) Convert readers to paying subscribers
- 3) Drive website traffic

The key to success in email is a smart answer to each question in this brief:

A. Big Picture: What is the purpose of this newsletter?

Why are we doing this? Define your beat, what do you write about and cover?

B. Target Audience: Who reads your stories?

Paint a picture of who we're talking to. What do they care about? Include demographics, motivations, inspirations, turn-offs, media behaviors, etc.

C. Consumer Insight: What do they think/feel today? When will they read the newsletter and in what context?
D. Key Takeaway: What does our audience need from us they cannot get elsewhere? What is the single most important takeaway from their experience with this communication?
E. What are the Mandatories? List no more than 3 mandatories (if applicable).
Voice & Tone What is the personality of the newsletter?

Obsessions
What type of content do we want to consistently include?
Layout/Length
What are the main section headers? What is the target length for each section?
G. Core Analytics
What will we measure? At what intervals?