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## MEDIA BUREAU ANNOUNCES FILING OF APPLICATIONS SEEKING CONSENT TO TRANSFER CONTROL OF LICENSEE SUBSIDIARIES OF ALLBRITTON COMMUNICATIONS CO. TO SINCLAIR TELEVISION GROUP, INC. MB Docket No. 13-203

On August 14, 2013, the Commission accepted for filing applications for the voluntary transfer of control of the licensee subsidiaries of Allbritton Communications Co. (Allbritton) to Sinclair Television Group, Inc. (Sinclair). These applications relate to the following full-power broadcast television stations:

- WCFT-TV, Tuscaloosa, AL, Facility ID 21258 (File No. BTCCDT-20130809ABW)
- WJSU-TV, Anniston, AL, Facility ID 56642 (File No. BTCCDT-20130809ABX)
- WCIV(TV), Charleston, SC, Facility ID 21536 (File No. BTCCDT-20130809ACA)
- KATV(TV), Little Rock, AR, Facility ID 33543 (File No. BTCCDT-20130809ACB)
- KTUL(TV), Tulsa, OK, Facility ID 35685 (File No. BTCCDT- 20130809ACC)
- WJLA-TV, Washington, DC, Facility ID 1051 (File No. BTCCDT-20130809ACD)
- WHTM-TV, Harrisburg, PA, Facility ID 72326 (File No. BTCCDT-20130809ACE)
- WSET-TV, Lynchburg, VA, Facility ID 73988 (File No. BTCCDT-20130809ACG)

For its acquisition of the Allbritton stations to comply with the Commission's local television ownership rule in certain markets, Sinclair has filed, and the Commission has accepted for filing, applications for the voluntary assignment of license of the following full-power broadcast television stations to either Deerfield Media entities (Stephen Mumblow ultimately holds 100% of the votes and equity), or a licensee subsidiary of Howard Stirk Holdings, LLC (wholly owned by Armstrong Williams):

- WTTO(TV), Homewood, AL, Facility ID 74138 (File No. BALCDT-20130809ADC)
- WABM(TV), Birmingham, AL, Facility ID 16820 (File No. BALCDT-20130809ADE)
- WHP-TV, Harrisburg, PA, Facility ID 72313 (File No. BALCDT-20130809ADF)
- WMMP(TV), Charleston, SC, Facility ID 9015 (File No. BALCDT-20130809ADG)

Following consummation of the transactions contemplated by the assignment applications, Sinclair will provide sales and other non-programming support services to each of these stations pursuant to option, shared services and joint sales agreements.

Pursuant to Commission rules, petitions to deny the transactions are due no later than September 13, 2013. To facilitate public participation in the proceeding, the Media Bureau has opened MB Docket No. 13-203. Submissions in this matter may be filed, referencing this docket number as, as follows:

- Electronic Filers: Documents may be filed electronically using the Internet by accessing the Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS): <u>http://fjallfoss.fcc.gov/ecfs2/</u>.
- Paper Filers: Parties who choose to file by paper must file an original and four copies of each filing. Filings may be sent by hand or messenger delivery, by commercial overnight courier, or by first-class or overnight U.S. Postal Service mail. All filings must be addressed to the Commission's Secretary, Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission.
  - All hand-delivered or messenger-delivered paper filings for the Commission's Secretary must be delivered to FCC Headquarters at 445 12th Street, S.W., Room TW-A325, Washington, D.C. 20554. All hand deliveries must be held together with rubber bands or fasteners. Any envelopes must be disposed of before entering the building.
  - Commercial overnight mail (other than U.S. Postal Service Express Mail and Priority Mail) must be sent to 9300 East Hampton Drive, Capitol Heights, Maryland 20743.
  - U.S. Postal Service first-class, Express, and Priority mail must be addressed to 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20554.

## In addition, one copy of each submission must be sent, either electronically or via paper, to the following:

- The Commission's duplicating contractor, Best Copy and Printing, Inc., Portals II, 445 12th Street, S.W., Room CY-B402, Washington, D.C. 20554, telephone 1-800-378-3160, e-mail <u>fcc@bcpiweb.com</u>;
- Peter Saharko, Video Division, Media Bureau, Room 2-A827, e-mail: peter.saharko@fcc.gov.

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The applications are also available electronically through the Commission's ECFS, which can be accessed on the Commission's Internet website at <u>http://www.fcc.gov</u>.

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