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Re:

NEW-LP, Galax, VA Facility ID No. 196365 Golden West Media File No. BNPL-20131114AOB

Dear Applicant:

The staff has under consideration the above-captioned application for a new low power FM (LPFM) station.

According to the Commission's rules, an applicant for an LPFM station is generally prohibited from the crossownership of an LPFM station with any other media interest (*e.g.*, any full power AM or FM radio station, or full or low power television station).<sup>1</sup> This restriction applies to each party to the application (*e.g.*, member of the board of directors) as well as to the applicant itself. Any LPFM applicant, or party to the application, that does hold an attributable interest in another media interest must divest the interest.<sup>2</sup> Divestiture is not required if the LPFM applicant is an accredited college or university that can certify that the existing media interest is a broadcast radio station that is not student run and the LPFM station will be managed and operated by students of the accredited educational institution.<sup>3</sup>

In the application, the applicant acknowledges its interest in W274AZ. Applicant has not stated its intent to divest W274AZ<sup>4</sup> and the applicant is not an accredited educational institution. Consequently, it cannot have ownership interests in both the Proposed LPFM station and W274AZ. Grant of the Form 318 application would violate the Commission's rules,<sup>5</sup> thus, the application IS HEREBY DISMISSED. This action is taken pursuant to 47 C.F.R. §§ 0.283, 73.801, 73.3518, and 73.3566(a).

Sincerely

James D. Bradshaw Deputy Chief Audio Division Media Bureau

<sup>3</sup> 47 C.F.R. §73.860(d).

<sup>5</sup> See 47 C.F.R. §73.860.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 47 C.F.R. § 73.860 (the rule permits a party to have an attributable interest in one LPFM station and up to two translators (under certain conditions) and permits a Tribal Applicant or a party with an attributable interest in a Tribal Applicant to have an attributable interest in up to two LPFM and up to four translator stations). *See also*, Instructions for FCC Form 318, Section II, Question 5.

 $<sup>^{2}</sup>$  See Instructions for FCC Form 318, Section II, Question 5. Any commitment to divest such an interest must be submitted in the application prior to the close of the filing window for such application. *Id.* 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See Instructions for FCC Form 318, Section II, Question 5.