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Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

RE: WGN Radio 720 AM, Chicago, Illinois License Renewal

Members of the Commission:

This informal objection to the renewal of the license for WGN Radio 720 AM in Chicago, Illinois, is based on one of the station's employment practices.

It is my understanding that by law non-exempt employees are to be paid time and a half for any hours over 40 worked in a week. Within the past four years some of my co-workers and I had to work overtime preparing and gathering commercial copy in order to finalize the next day's log, a task which had to be done before we left work.

When we asked department heads about being compensated for the overtime, we were told that WGN Radio doesn't pay overtime. I discussed the legality of the situation with these co-workers, but none of us pursued any legal action. The economy had soured, Tribune Company (the parent company of WGN Radio) filed for bankruptcy, and many people throughout the country were losing their jobs.

However, the overtime matter still needs to be addressed, as it has not been resolved. The staff has been cut drastically, increasing the workload of the remaining employees. Comments recently made to me by co-workers lead me to believe that employees may still be working overtime and not getting paid for it.

As a current employee of WGN Radio, I realize I may experience repercussions from filing this objection. However, I believe it should be done in the interest of past and current employees. Therefore, based on what appears to be WGN Radio's violation of labor laws, I am filing this informal objection to the renewal of WGN Radio 720 AM's license.

Sincerely,

Joyce E. Eckblad

Copies: WGN Radio 720 AM

Nils Larsen, President, Tribune Broadcasting Company

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