

## Federal Communications Commission Washington, D.C. 20554

July 17, 2015

WMTM, LLC 5670 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 1300 Los Angeles, CA 90036

RE: Petition for Eligible Entity Status, WMTM, LLC, Station WIAV-CD, Washington D.C. (Fac. ID No. 168063), FCC File No. BLDTL-20121231ANU

Dear Licensee:

This is with respect to the Petition for Eligible Entity Status ("Petition") filed on July 9, 2015, by WMTM, LLC ("Licensee"), licensee of Station WIAV-CD, Washington D.C. ("Station").<sup>1</sup> The Petition requests that the Station be deemed an "eligible facility" for purposes of the incentive auction. On June 19, 2015, the Commission released the *Incentive Auction Second R&O* and denied Petitions for Reconsideration filed by Abacus Television and Videohouse, Inc.,<sup>2</sup> which requested that the Commission exercise its discretion to extend protection in the repacking process to Class A stations similarly situated as WIAV-CD.<sup>3</sup> The Commission has already determined that stations similar to WIAV-CD are not eligible for mandatory protection and the Commission has specifically declined to exercise its discretionary authority to extend protection.<sup>4</sup> This is not the appropriate venue for seeking reconsideration of the Commission's decision.<sup>5</sup>

Accordingly, for the reasons above, including the Commission's rationale in *Incentive Auction* Second R&O, the Petition for Eligible Entity Status filed by WMTM, LLC **IS DENIED**.

Sincerely,

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<sup>1</sup> WMTM, LLC Petition for Eligible Entity Status (Jul. 9, 2015).

<sup>2</sup> See Abacus Television Petition for Reconsideration, GN Docket No. 12-268 (Sept. 16, 2014); The Videohouse, Inc. Petition for Reconsideration, GN Docket No. 12-268 (Sept. 15, 2014).

<sup>3</sup> Expanding the Economic and Innovation Opportunities of Spectrum Through Incentive Auctions, GN Docket No. 12-268, Second Report and Order on Reconsideration, FCC 15-69, para. 53 (rel. Jun. 19, 2015)("Incentive Auction Second R&O"). The Commission dismissed a late-filed Petition for Reconsideration filed by Asiavision, Inc., the former licensee of WIAV-CD, and treated the filing as an "informal comment." Incentive Auction Second R&O at n.183. The informal comment presented arguments similar to those raised by Abacus and Videohouse. See Asiavision Opposition, GN Docket No. 12-268 (Nov. 10, 2014).

<sup>4</sup> Incentive Auction Second R&O at paras. 53-62, aff<sup>o</sup>g, Expanding the Economic and Innovation Opportunities of Spectrum Through Incentive Auctions, GN Docket No. 12-268, Report and Order, 29 FCC Rcd 6567, 6670-71, paras 233-34 (2014).

<sup>5</sup> See 47 C.F.R. § 1.429(b),(i); 47 U.S.C. § 402(a).