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CERTIFIED MAIL – RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Randall A. Mangham, President
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Re: WNPZ(AM), Knoxville, TN
Facility ID No. 11191
File No. BR-20120402ANI

Dear Applicant:

Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. Section 1.1910, the Commission examines applications to determine if the applicant is delinquent in any non-tax debt owed to the Commission.¹ On June 8, 2015, the applicant was notified that it was delinquent on the payment of debts owed to the Federal Communications Commission.² The *Red Light Letter* indicated that if full payment or satisfactory arrangement to pay the delinquent debt was not made within 30 days of the date of the letter, the application or other request for benefit would be dismissed. Commission records indicate that, in August of 2015, the applicant submitted evidence of the approval of a payment plan, but it appears that the applicant has not kept up with its payment obligations under that plan.

On December 6, 2016, the staff again notified the applicant of its debt delinquency by telephone, but received no response.

The Commission has not received payment of the debts identified in the red light letter, nor have satisfactory payment arrangements been made. Accordingly, pursuant to 47 C.F.R. Sections 1.1910(b)(3) and 0.283, Application File No. BR-20120402ANI, IS HEREBY DISMISSED. Any questions regarding this dismissal should be directed to the CORES Help Desk at 1-877-480-3201, Option 4, or via e-mail to: ARINQUIRIES@fcc.gov.

Additionally, in light of the dismissal of the subject license renewal application, all authority to operate station WNPZ(AM), Knoxville, Tennessee, IS TERMINATED, the Station's license, most recently renewed by Application File No. BR-20040401ATN, IS HEREBY CANCELLED, and the call letters WNPZ(FM) ARE DELETED. Any operation of this facility is now unauthorized and must cease immediately.

¹ See *Amendment of Parts 0 and 1 of the Commission's Rules – Implementation of the Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1996 and Adoption of Rules Governing Applications or Requests for Benefits by Delinquent Debtors*, 19 FCC Rcd. 6540 (2004). For the purpose of determining if an applicant is delinquent the Commission checks the status of all entities with whom an applicant shares the same tax payer identification number.

² See *Letter to Stephen Thomas Yelverton, Esq.*, reference 1800B3-KW (MB Jun. 8, 2015) (*Red Light Letter*).

Finally, it is imperative to the safety of air navigation that any prescribed painting and illumination of the station's tower be maintained until the tower is dismantled. Accordingly, the owner of the tower where the referenced station's transmitting antenna is located must maintain the tower in the manner prescribed by the Commission's rules and the terms of the cancelled license.³

Sincerely,

James D. Bradshaw
Deputy Chief
Audio Division
Media Bureau

cc: Stephen T. Yelverton, Esq.

³ See 47 U.S.C. § 303(q) and 47 CFR § 17.6.