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Re: Beasley Media Group Licenses, LLC; Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc. Consent Decree (DA 18-247); NAL/Acct. No. MB-201841410009
First Annual Compliance Report

Dear Mr. Wagner:

This Compliance Report is submitted pursuant to Paragraph IV (Compliance Reports) of Appendix A: Compliance Plan ("Appendix A") of the Consent Decree entered into between Beasley Media Group Licenses, LLC and Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc. (collectively referred to herein as "Beasley"), and the Federal Communications Commission, released March 23, 2018. Capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined have the meanings ascribed to them in the Consent Decree.

This Compliance Report describes the actions Beasley has taken during the one-year period since the Effective Date to comply with the terms and conditions of the Consent Decree.

## A. Payment to the United States Treasury

On March 26, 2018, Beasley submitted a payment to the United States Treasury in the amount of \$15,000 as payment of the civil penalty set out in the Consent Decree, and notified Commission staff of this payment. This fulfilled the obligations set forth in Paragraphs 12 and 13 of the Consent Decree.

## B. Appointment of Compliance Officer

On March 28, 2018, Beasley appointed Joyce Fitch, Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary of Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc., as Compliance Officer. In this capacity, Ms. Fitch is responsible for administering the Compliance Plan, supervising Beasley's compliance with the Act and the Rules, and serving as the point of contact on behalf of Beasley for all FCC-related compliance matters. The appointment of Ms. Fitch fulfilled the obligation set forth in Paragraph I of Appendix A.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> In re: Applications of Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc. (Subsidiaries) for Approval of Pro Forma Assignment and Transfer of Control of Broadcast Station Licenses, 33 FCC Rcd. 2748, DA 18-247 (rel. Mar. 23, 2018).

## Development and Distribution of a Compliance Manual

Beasley developed and distributed a Compliance Manual that includes: an overview of the FCC's requirements with respect to applications for assignments and/or transfers of control of FCC licenses including the need for prior FCC approval of such assignments/transfers of control, and a description of requirements applicable to accurate reporting of information in such applications (such rules and requirements collectively referred to herein as the "Applicable Rules."). On May 11, 2018, the Compliance Manual was distributed to personnel who perform duties for Beasley that trigger or may trigger compliance related responsibilities (the "Covered Employees"). Beasley will periodically review and revise the Compliance Manual as necessary. This fulfilled the obligation set forth in Paragraph II of Appendix A.

#### D. **Compliance Training Program**

Beasley established and administered a Compliance Training Program for Covered Employees. The Compliance Training Program provided training regarding the Applicable Rules and ongoing compliance with them, and tracked and implemented the Compliance Manual. All Covered Employees were trained by July 9, 2018. There have been no new Covered Employees since that date, but any person who becomes a Covered Employee while the terms of the Consent Decree remain in effect will receive training regarding the Applicable Rules within 60 calendar days of the commencement of their employment. This fulfills the obligation set forth in Paragraph III of Appendix A.

As described herein, Beasley has fulfilled its obligations as required during the one-year period since the Effective Date of the Consent Decree, and will continue to fulfill its obligations for the remainder of the term of the Consent Decree.

> Respectfully submitted, Joyn Fitch

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Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary of Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc.

Compliance Plan Compliance Officer

### CERTIFICATION OF JOYCE FITCH

I, Joyce Fitch, hereby declare under penalty of perjury that the following statements are true and correct. I understand that this Certification will be submitted to the Federal Communications Commission.

- 1. I am Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary of Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc., and have been appointed by Beasley as Compliance Officer with respect to implementation of the Consent Decree entered into between Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc., Beasley Media Group Licenses, LLC and the FCC (the "Consent Decree"), in accordance with Paragraph I of Appendix A: Compliance Plan thereof.
- 2. To the best of my personal knowledge, and pursuant to the actions described in the Compliance Report to which this Declaration is attached, Beasley has established operating procedures intended to ensure compliance with the terms and conditions of the Consent Decree and with Section 310(d) of the Act and Section 73.3540 of the Rules, and Beasley has utilized these procedures since the Effective Date. I am unaware of any instances of non-compliance with the Consent Decree or the specified sections of the Act and Rules.
- 3. I certify that the facts set forth in the Compliance Report to which this Declaration is attached, except those of which official notice may be taken, are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

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Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary of Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc. Compliance Plan Compliance Officer

Date: March 23, 2019