**DA 14-267**

**Released: February 27, 2014**

**NOTICE OF DISMISSALS OF CLOSED CAPTIONING EXEMPTION PETITIONS AND OBLIGATION TO BEGIN PROVIDING CLOSED CAPTIONING**

**CG Docket No. 06-181**

By this *Notice,* the Federal Communications Commission’s (FCC’s or Commission’s) Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau (Bureau) announces the dismissal of the petitions for exemption from the Commission’s closed captioning requirements listed herein.[[1]](#footnote-1)

The Commission’s closed captioning rules allow video programming providers, producers, or owners to obtain an exemption from the closed captioning requirements if they demonstrate that providing captions on their programming would be “economically burdensome.”[[2]](#footnote-2) On various dates, the petitioners listed in the Appendix filed petitions for closed captioning exemptions under these rules. The Bureau then placed each of these petitions on public notice. After reviewing the comments received in response to these petitions, the Bureau determined that it required additional and updated information to evaluate whether the programming at issue should be exempted from the FCC’s closed captioning requirements because captioning such programming would impose an economic burden on the petitioners. The Bureau sent letters to these petitioners requesting this supplemental information within 30 days of the date of each letter. In these letters, the Bureau advised these petitioners that failure to respond would result in dismissal of their petitions for failure to support their exemption requests with adequate explanation and evidence. The Bureau further advised petitioners that, in the event of such dismissal, petitioners would be required to begin providing closed captioning on the programming at issue within 90 days of the date of the Bureau’s notification of dismissal.

The petitioners listed in the Appendix failed to respond to the Bureau’s letter requesting supplemental information.[[3]](#footnote-3) Accordingly, their petitions are dismissed without prejudice as of February 27, 2014, the release date of this *Notice*.[[4]](#footnote-4)

This *Notice* also reminds these petitioners of their obligations to comply with the FCC’s closed captioning requirements contained in Part 79 of the Commission’s rules with regard to the programming that was the subject of their petitions by May 28, 2014, which is 90 days after the release of this *Notice* of dismissal.

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**APPENDIX**

Petitions for Closed Captioning Exemptions Dismissed

February 27, 2014

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| **Case Identifier****CGB-CC-** | **Petitioner** | **Program Name** | **Mailing Address** |
| 0137 | Abundant Faith Christian Center  | “Faith for Today” | Abundant Faith Christian Center, “Faith for Today”Attn: Ron Rhone2525 Taylor AvenueSpringfield, IL 62703 |
| 0201 | Edgewood Baptist Church |  | Edgewood Baptist ChurchAttn: James WilsonAssociate Pastor, Administration 3564 Forrest RoadColumbus, GA 31907 |
| 0225 | First Baptist Church  | “Crossroads” | First Baptist ChurchAttn: Patti ShoemakerChurch Administrator305 S. Perry StreetMontgomery, AL 36104 |
| 0318 | First United Methodist Church - Lufkin | “First United Methodist this Morning” | First United Methodist Church - LufkinAttn: James DunbarEvangelism Committee Chairperson 805 E. Denman AvenueLufkin, TX 75901 |
| 0327 | Cathedral of the Palms | “Faith Talk” | First Assembly of God, Cathedral of the Palms Attn: David FarjardoBusiness Administrator3401 S. Alameda StreetCorpus Christi, TX 78411 |
| 0478 | Off Beat Productions | “Off Beat Cinema” | Off Beat Productions, “Off Beat Cinema”c/o LipsitzGreenScimeCambia, LLPAttn: Barry Nelson Covert42 Delaware Avenue, Suite 120Buffalo, NY 14202-3924 |
| 0521 | Victory Ministries International | “Inside Victory,” “Man Up,” and “Conversations” | Victory Ministries InternationalAttn: Schavonna WilliamsMedia Department4613 York RoadBaltimore, MD 21212 |
| 0537 | New Testament Church | “Glory to Glory” | New Testament ChurchAttn: Karen Suskie Morrissey188 Main StreetNew York Mills, NY 13417 |
| 0695 | For Sale by Owner and Builder Magazine | “Television Show of Homes” | For Sale by Owner and Builder MagazineAttn: Debra M. Brimberry, Co-owner1314 Biggers RoadColumbus, GA 31904 |
| 0743 | Grace Baptist Church | “The Miracle of Grace” | Grace Baptist ChurchAttn: Tommy ShaverWorship Arts Associate7171 Oak Ridge HighwayKnoxville, TN 37931 |
| 0819 | Voice of Freedom, INC. |  | Voice of Freedom, INC.Attn: Pastor John W. Hill, President2292 Floyd Harris RoadGreenville, NC 27833 |
| 0820 | Archery Adventures, LLC | “Accept the Challenge” | Archery Adventures, LLCAttn: Brad Frost, Co-Owner8628 Freedom TrailMidland, GA 31820 |
| 0923 | Five and Dime Productions | “You’ve Got To Be Kidding Me, America” | Five and Dime ProductionsAttn: Larry Swanson, CEO461 Woodburn S.W.Byron Center, MI 49315 |
| 0973 | Andrew S. Phipps | “Phipps Gospel Sing” | Phipps Gospel SingAttn: Andrew S. PhippsOwner/ManagerP.O. Box 2099Muncie, IN 47307 |
| 1081 | Kingdom Ambassadors Global Ministries | “R.A.W. Truth” | Kingdom Ambassadors Global MinistriesAttn: Heather JordanKAGM Board of Directors194-18 120th AvenueSt. Albans, NY 11412 |
| 1133 | The Africa Channel |  | The Africa ChannelAttn: Bob ReidEVP and General Manager5200 Lankershim Blvd., Suite 750North Hollywood, CA 91601 |
| 1192 | Abundant Life Evangelistic Center | “Life in the City” | Abundant Life Evangelistic CentrAttn: Jason L. JohnsonFounder & Senior Pastor172 Rodenberg AvenueBiloxi, MS 39531 |
| 1216 | Casa Sobre la Roca Iglesia Cristina Integral | “Hechos y Cronicas” | Casa Sobre la RocaIglesia Cristiana IntegralAttn: Rev. Fernando GarciaSenior Pastor 2149 Orinoco Drive, Suite 1Orlando, FL 32837 |
| 1220 | Trailblazers International Christian Center | “Tipping Point” | Trailblazers International Christian CenterAttn: Pam Phillips7509 Fairwind DriveBaltimore, MD 21244 |
| 1222 | Ghettothropic LLC | “The Other Side” | Ghettothropic LLCAttn: Tyrone Bynum547 Pine Meadow Lane NortheastAda, MI 49301 |
| 1237 | Berean Bible Study Association | “Grace Believers Bible Study” | Berean Bible Study AssociationAttn: Bernice M. MooreDirector/Secretary204 Tower DrivePensacola, FL 32534 |
| 1240 | Watch Fatboy Films | “Industry Chaos” | Watch Fatboy FilmsAttn: Christopher Woodard, Jr.817 Henry StreetPortsmouth, VA 23704 |
| 1243 | Leon Charney Media Foundation, Inc. | “Leon Charney Report” | Leon Charney Media Foundation, Inc.Attn: Limei WangMedia Director1441 Broadway, 31FNew York, NY 10016 |
| 1249 | Ken Hobbs | “All the Way Live TV” | All the Way Live TVAttn: Ken HobbsExecutive Producer P.O. Box 561Monroe, LA 71210 |

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1. 47 C.F.R. § 79.1. The names of the petitioners are set forth in the Appendix to this *Notice*. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. 47 C.F.R. § 79.1(f). [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. One of the Bureau’s letters requesting additional and updated information, dated September 26, 2013 to petitioner Ken Hobbs (CGB-CC-1249), was returned to the Commission as undeliverable on October 17, 2013. Several attempts to contact the petitioner were unsuccessful. The Bureau therefore includes this petition in this notice of dismissals for having failed to respond. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
4. The release of this *Notice* serves as the Bureau’s notification of dismissal to these petitioners. The Bureau will also mail a copy of this *Notice* to each of the petitioners listed in the Appendix. [↑](#footnote-ref-4)