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## FCC CONTINUES EEO AUDITS

On October 6, 2016, the Federal Communications Commission mailed the third set of its Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) audit letters for 2016. This mailing was sent to randomly selected multi-channel video programming distributors (MVPDs). Audit responses must be received by the Commission by November 21, 2016. In accordance with the provisions of Sections 73.2080(f)(4) and 76.77(d) of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 73.2080(f)(4), 76.77(d), the FCC annually audits the EEO programs of randomly selected broadcast licensees and MVPDs. Each year, approximately five percent of all broadcast stations and MVPDs are selected for these random EEO audits. By Public Notice DA 16-201, released February 25, 2016, and Public Notice DA 16-662, released June 15, 2016, the Media Bureau announced its mailing of similar audit letters to the broadcast stations listed in the attachments to those Public Notices.

A list of the MVPD units to which these October 6, 2016 audit letters were sent is attached, along with a copy of the audit letter.

Media Bureau Contact: EEO Staff at 202-418-1450.

## Dear Manager:

1. In accordance with the provisions of 47 C.F.R. § 76.77(d) of the Commission's Equal Employment Opportunity ("EEO") rules, your employment unit has been randomly selected for an audit of its EEO program. (A copy of 47 C.F.R. § 76.77 and the other rules referred to in this letter are enclosed for your reference.)

2. If the unit is not required under our rules to have an EEO recruitment program due to the size of its full-time workforce (having fewer than six full-time employees, defined as employees regularly assigned to work 30 hours a week or more), you still must respond to this audit letter. In your response, however, you must provide only a list of the unit's full-time employees, identified only by job title (no names should be provided) and the number of hours each is regularly assigned to work per week, **and a response to question 3(e) below**.

3. Audit Data Requested. If the unit employs six or more full-time employees (as defined above), provide the following information in your response to this letter, including an explanation regarding any requested information that you are unable to provide:

(a) The employment unit's most recent EEO program information, described in 47 C.F.R. § 76.1702(b), which should have been placed in the unit's public file by October 1, 2016. If the unit has a website, provide its web address. If the unit's most recent (2016) EEO public file report is not included on or linked to by the website, in violation of 47 C.F.R. § 76.1702(b), provide an explanation of why the report is not so posted or linked to. If the unit does not have its own website, but its corporate site contains a link to a site pertaining to the unit, then the unit's most recent EEO public file report must be linked to either the unit's site or the general corporate site, pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 76.1702(b).

(b) For each full-time position filled during the period covered by the above EEO program information, or since your acquisition of the unit, if after that period, dated copies of all advertisements, bulletins, letters, faxes, e-mails, or other communications announcing the position, as described in 47 C.F.R. § 76.75(c)(3). Include copies of all job announcements sent to any organization (identified separately from other sources) that has notified the unit that it wants to be notified of unit job openings, as described in 47 C.F.R. § 76.75(b)(1)(ii). Also include the date that each position was filled and the recruitment source that referred the hiree, as described in 47 C.F.R. § 76.75(c)(6).

(c) In accordance with 47 C.F.R. § 76.75(c)(5), the total number of interviewees for each vacancy and the referral source for each interviewee for all full-time unit vacancies filled during the period covered by the above-noted EEO program information.

(d) Documentation demonstrating performance of unit recruitment initiatives described in 47 C.F.R. § 76.75(b)(2) during the time period covered by the above-noted EEO program information, such as participation at job fairs, engaging in mentoring programs, and providing training for staff. Specify the unit personnel involved in each such recruitment initiative. Also, provide the total number of full-time employees of the unit and state whether the population of the market in which the unit is located is 250,000 or more. Based upon these two factors, determine and state whether the unit is required to perform one or two initiatives within a 12month period, pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 76.75(b)(2).

(e) Disclose any pending or resolved complaints involving the unit filed during the past five years before any body having competent jurisdiction under federal, state, territorial or local law, alleging unlawful discrimination in the employment practices of the unit on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, age, or sex. For each such complaint, provide: (1) a brief description of the allegations and issues involved; (2) the name(s) of the complainant and other persons involved; (3) the date of the complaint's filing; (4) the court or agency before which it is pending or was resolved; (5) the file or case number; and (6) the disposition and date thereof or current status. Note that all complaints must be reported, regardless of their status or disposition.

(f) In accordance with 47 C.F.R. § 76.75(f), describe the unit's efforts to analyze its recruitment program to ensure that it is effective in achieving broad outreach and how the unit has addressed any problems found as a result of such analysis.

(g) In accordance with 47 C.F.R. § 76.75(g), describe the unit's efforts to analyze its EEO policies and employment practices to examine seniority, promotions, pay, benefits, selection techniques, and tests to ensure that they provide equal opportunity and do not have a discriminatory effect, and if the unit has one or more union agreements, describe how the unit cooperates with each union to ensure EEO policies are followed for the unit's union-member employees and job applicants. Address any problems found as a result of this 47 C.F.R. § 76.75(g) analysis and how the unit has resolved them.

4. **Procedures.** Direct your response to EEO Staff, Policy Division, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W., Washington, DC 20554. The response must be received by the Commission by November 21, 2016. The accuracy and completeness of the response must be certified to by an authorized officer, partner or other principal of the owner of the unit. The response may be in the form of a CD or other electronic medium, as long as the certification provided refers to the material submitted and is on paper with an original signature. To knowingly and willfully make any false statement or conceal any material fact in response to this audit is punishable by fine or imprisonment (*see* 18 U.S.C. § 1001; see also 47 C.F.R. § 1.17), and/or forfeiture (47 U.S.C. § 503). Absent an extension of time, failure to respond to this audit letter by the above deadline is also punishable by sanctions in accordance with 47 C.F.R. § 76.77(f) and may result in a certification that the unit is not in compliance for 2016 with the Commission's EEO rules. Extensions of time must be requested in writing (or e-mail sent to lewis.pulley@fcc.gov) and will be granted only upon a showing of extraordinary circumstances.

5. In accordance with 47 C.F.R. § 76.79, a copy of this letter and your response will be placed in the Commission's public file for the unit. Consequently, your response should not include personal data about individuals, such as social security numbers, home addresses, or other personally identifiable information. We do not require that units retain such information in their records, or that such information be provided in response to this audit letter. Should you have any questions, please contact the EEO Staff at (202) 418-1450. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely, Lewis C. Pulley Assistant Chief, Policy Division Media Bureau

Enclosure

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Unit	MSO/Oporater Name	County	State
ID	· · · ·	Location	Location
3585	ARMSTRONG UTILITIES INC.	LAWRENCE	ОН
9913	CABLEVISION - SOUTHERN NEW JERSEY	MIDDLESEX	NJ
811	CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS	MANATEE COUNTY	FL
1381	CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS	PASCO COUNTY	FL
11031	CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS	FREMONT	WY
12309	CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS	ARAPAHOE	CO
12404	CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS	ST LOUIS	MN
12406	CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS	ST LOUIS	MO
12407	CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS	ARAPAHOE	CO
12411	CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS	CATAWBA	NC
12412	CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS	BUNCOMBE	NC
12222	COMCAST CABLE COMMUNICATIONS, LLC.	HARTFORD	СТ
12143	COMCAST CORPORATION	MADISON	AL
12153	COMCAST CORPORATION	WAYNE	MI
12260	COMCAST CORPORATION	MADISON	MS
12738	COMCAST CORPORATION	MONTGOMERY	PA
12771	COMCAST CORPORATION	MARION	IN
12840	COMCAST CORPORATION	MARION	IN
12841	COMCAST CORPORATION	WAYNE	MI
12843	COMCAST CORPORATION	COOK	IL
990493		PALM BEACH	FL
1587	ERIE COUNTY CABLEVISION, INC.	ERIE	OH
1265	HARLAN COMMUNITY TELEVISION, INC.	HARLAN COUNTY	KY
7399 4969	HORRY TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE, INC.	HORRY COUNTY FLOYD	SC KY
4969 713353	INTER MOUNTAIN CABLE, INC. KNOLOGY, INC	MADISON	AL
716312	KNOLOGY, INC	RICHMOND	GA
193079	LONGVIEW CABLE TELEVISION CO., INC.	GREGG	TX
11326	MEDIACOM COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION	LAKE	CA
11330	MEDIACOM COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION	RIVERSIDE	CA
11345	MEDIACOM COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION	HENRY	IL
11346	MEDIACOM COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION	MARSHALL	IL
11350	MEDIACOM COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION	CHAMPAIGN	IL
11396	MEDIACOM COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION	COLE	MO
11415	MEDIACOM COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION	WAYNE	IN
11418	MEDIACOM COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION	WINNESHIEK	IA
11457	MEDIACOM COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION	POLK	IA
1201	NORTHLAND COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION	NAVARRO COUNTY	ТХ
1334	NORTHLAND COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION	BURNET COUNTY	ТХ
5060	PENCOR SERVICES, INC.	CARBON	PA
990267	PENCOR SERVICES, INC.	CARBON	PA
251373	PINE BLUFF CABLE TELEVISION	JEFFERSON COUNTY	AR
12750	PLANT TIFTNET, INC.	TIFTON	GA

1183	1 RCN TELECOM SERVICES, LLC	MIDDLESEX	MA
1183	4 RCN TELECOM SERVICES, LLC	DELAWARE COUNTY	PA
1218	6 TELECOMMUNICATIONS MANAGEMENT LLC	CHRISTIAN	IL
1203	9 TELECOMMUNICATIONS MANAGEMENT, LLC	STODDARD	MO
0534	TIME WARNER CABLE	FRANKLIN	OH
0561	TIME WARNER CABLE	SAN DIEGO	CA
0587	TIME WARNER CABLE	GUILFORD	NC
0593	TIME WARNER CABLE	WAKE	NC
1221	TIME WARNER CABLE	TRAVIS	ТΧ
4095	TIME WARNER CABLE	HONOLULU	HI
4108	TIME WARNER CABLE	ΚΟΟΤΕΝΑΙ	ID
5675	TIME WARNER CABLE	BEXAR	ТΧ
6329	TIME WARNER CABLE	LOS ANGELES	CA
6066	7 TIME WARNER CABLE	CUYAHOGA	OH
HQ45	52 TIME WARNER CABLE	MECKLENBURG	NC