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WHAT YOU OWE - MEDIA SERVICES LICENSEES FOR FY 2006

This *Fact Sheet* concerns licensees of media services such as: commercial AM & FM radio stations, FM translators and boosters, commercial television stations, satellite TV stations, low power television (LPTV) stations, TV translators and boosters and broadcast auxiliary stations. Regulatory fees are based upon the nature of authorization (e.g. construction permit or license) held as of October 1, 2005. Licensees who did not begin providing services prior to October 1, 2005 are not required to pay regulatory fees this year. In instances where a service license or authorization is transferred or assigned after October 1, 2005, the fee must be paid by the party that is the licensee or holder of the authorization on the date that the fee payment is due.

Commercial AM/FM Radio Stations

Who Must Pay: Licensees of commercial AM and FM radio stations, holders of construction permits for new AM and FM stations, and licensees who hold auxiliary broadcast service licenses for stations operated in conjunction with the main station (e.g., remote pickup stations, aural broadcast STLs, intercity relay stations and low power auxiliary stations) provided that such licenses or permits were granted on or before October 1, 2005.

Fee Requirement: Fees are determined for AM and FM radio station licensees based upon class of station and population served. A station's class is based upon the station's most recent license that was granted on or before October 1, 2005. Fee amounts for AM and FM radio stations are indicated on a 42-block table, as shown on the following page. Fee amounts for individual stations may be obtained by accessing the FCC's internet web site (http://www.fcc.gov/fees/regfees.html). If you have a commercial AM or FM radio station which is not listed, please contact Roland Helvajian at (202) 418-0444 for assistance.

Licensees also owe \$10 for each broadcast auxiliary license that they hold. Holders of construction permits (CPs) for new AM and FM stations for which a license to cover the CP had not been granted as of October 1, 2005, owe \$395 (AM) or \$575 (FM) fee for each permit held, regardless of station class or population served.

Payment Type Codes and Payment Amounts For FY 2006 Radio Station Regulatory Fees						
Population Served	AM Class A	AM Class B	AM Class C	AM Class D	FM Classes A, B1 & C3	FM Classes B, C, C0, C1 & C2
<=25,000	0617	0623	0629	0635	0641	0647
	\$625	\$500	\$400	\$475	\$575	\$750
25,001 - 75,000	0618	0624	0630	0636	0642	0648
	\$1,225	\$950	\$600	\$725	\$1,150	\$1,325
75,001 - 150,000	0619	0625	0631	0637	0643	0649
	\$1,850	\$1,200	\$800	\$1,200	\$1,575	\$2,450
150,001 - 500,000	0620	0626	0632	0638	0644	0650
	\$2,775	\$2,025	\$1,200	\$1,425	\$2,450	\$3,200
500,001 - 1,200,000	0621	0627	0633	0639	0645	0651
	\$4,000	\$3,100	\$2,000	\$2,375	\$3,875	\$4,700
1,200,001 - 3,000,000	0622	0628	0634	0640	0646	0652
	\$6,150	\$4,750	\$3,000	\$3,800	\$6,325	\$7,500
>3,000,000	0679	0680	0681	0682	0683	0684
	\$7,375	\$5,700	\$3,800	\$4,750	\$8,050	\$9,750

Regulatory Fee Group or Category	Regulatory Fee	Payment Type Code
Broadcast Auxiliary Station License	\$10	0669
Construction Permit for New AM Station	\$395	0615
Construction Permit for New FM Station	\$575	0616

VHF/UHF/Satellite TV Stations

Who Must Pay: Licensees of commercial VHF, UHF and satellite television stations, and holders of construction permits for new stations whose license or permit was granted on or before October 1, 2005. Also, licensees who hold auxiliary broadcast service licenses for stations operated in conjunction with the main TV station (e.g., remote pickup stations, intercity relay stations) owe a regulatory fee of \$10 for each auxiliary broadcast station. Holders of construction permits (CPs) for new television stations for which a license to cover the CP had not been granted as of October 1, 2005, owe \$3,400 (VHF), \$1,775 (UHF), or \$570 (Satellite TV) for each permit held, regardless of market size.

Fee Requirement: Fees for commercial television stations are based upon the size of the Nielsen Designated Market Area (DMA) as listed in the 2006 Edition of the <u>Television & Cable Factbook</u>, Stations Volume No. 74, Warren Publishing, Inc. Fee amounts are as follows:

Commercial VHF Stations:	Regulatory Fee	Payment Type Code
Markets 1-10:	\$64,775	0653
Markets 11-25:	\$47,775	0654
Markets 26-50:	\$32,875	0655
Markets 51-100:	\$20,450	0656
Remaining Markets:	\$5,025	0657
Broadcast Auxiliary Station	\$10	0669
Construction Permits:	\$3,400	0658

Commercial UHF Stations:	Regulatory Fee	Payment Type Code
Markets 1-10:	\$20,750	0659
Markets 11-25:	\$19,100	0660
Markets 26-50:	\$10,975	0661
Markets 51-100:	\$6,500	0662
Remaining Markets:	\$1,775	0663
Broadcast Auxiliary Station	\$10	0669
Construction Permits:	\$1,775	0664
Satellite TV Stations:	Regulatory Fee	Payment Type Code
All Markets:	\$1,150	0665
Construction Permits:	\$570	0666

LPTV, TV Translators & TV Boosters, FM Translators & FM Boosters

In a recent rulemaking proceeding, the Commission established a category of "Class A TV" into which some Low Power TV (LPTV) stations were re-classified (See <u>Establishment of a Class A TV Service</u>, 65 FR 29985, MM Docket No. 00-10 (May 10, 2000). For purposes of regulatory fees, we categorize the Class A TV service as a derivative of LPTV. Stations that were reclassified as Class A TV as of October 1, 2000, as well as existing LPTV stations operating as of

October 1, 2005, should pay the LPTV fee of \$420 for FY 2006.

Who Must Pay: Holders LPTV, TV translator and booster licenses, and FM translator and booster licenses whose license was granted before October 1, 2005.

Fee Requirement: Fees are owed on a per license basis as follows:

Type of License	Regulatory Fee	Payment Type Code
Low Power Television Station, TV Translator/TV Booster	\$420	0667
FM Translator/FM Booster	\$420	0668

LIMITATIONS ON CREDIT CARD TRANSACTIONS

The U.S. Treasury has advised the Commission that it will now reject Credit Card transactions greater than \$99,999.99 from a single credit card in a single day, in accordance with U.S. Treasury Bulletin No. 2005-03. If you need to pay \$100,000.00 or more, you should use a check, debit, or wire transfer.

Special Instructions for Completing FCC Forms 159 & 159-C

In addition to the general filing instructions that accompany FCC Form 159, the following information applies specifically to media services licensees.

Block (9) - Telephone Number:

Enter the contact name and telephone number of the <u>specific</u> individual responsible for submitting the payment and supporting Form 159 and Form 159-C.

Block (11) - PAYER FRN:

Enter the fee payer's FRN number.

Block (21) - APPLICANT FRN:

If different from payer, enter the applicant's FRN number.

Block (23A) - FCC CALL SIGN/OTHER ID:

- **Call sign:** All Media Services payers must enter in this block the call sign of the station(s) for which the regulatory fee is being paid.
- Payers of the regulatory fee for broadcast auxiliary station(s) must enter their <u>station's</u> <u>call sign</u>.

<u>Block (24A) - PAYMENT TYPE CODE</u>: Enter the appropriate payment type code(s) from the fee grids provided in this *Fact Sheet*.

Block (25A) - QUANTITY: All media services fee payers must enter "1" in this block.

<u>Block (27A) - TOTAL FEE</u>: Enter the dollar amount associated with the corresponding Payment Type Code entered in Block (24A). **Enter exact dollars and cents; do not round.**

Block (28A) - FCC CODE 1:

- Facility ID: Enter the unique facility identification number for the AM, FM, TV, Low Power Television, FM/TV Translators, and FM/TV Booster station(s) for which the regulatory fee is being paid. Facility ID Numbers for these stations can be obtained from the Mass Media Bureau's Consolidated Data Base System (CDBS) at the FCC's Internet Website at www.fcc.gov/mmb by clicking on "CDBS Public Access", or by calling: Radio (202) 418-2700, TV (202) 418-1600. Further, the Facility ID Number is now included on all Radio and TV authorizations.
- If you are paying a broadcast auxiliary regulatory fee, leave this block blank.

Block (29A) - FCC CODE 2:

- If you are paying an AM, FM, TV or Low Power Television regulatory fee, enter the name of the state and community (in that order) of license for the station for which the regulatory fee is being paid. Please note that this block is for state and community of license, not mailing address. Please use the appropriate two letter post office abbreviation for the state.
- If you are paying a TV translator, TV booster, broadcast auxiliary, FM translator or an FM booster station regulatory fee, leave this block blank.

Block (30) - CERTIFICATION:

Provide the printed name and signature of an individual owner/licensee or officer attesting to the accuracy and completeness of the information supplied.

Please include a daytime telephone number so that we can contact you if questions arise regarding your payment.

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