## Before the Federal Communications Commission Washington, D.C. 20554

In the Matter of	)
Westar Satellite Services, LP	) File No.: EB-FIELDSCR-13-00009952
Owner of Antenna Structure No. 1049814	) NOV No.: V201332540016
Hempstead, Texas	)

## NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Released: July 23, 2013

By the Resident Agent, Houston Office, South Central Region, Enforcement Bureau:

- 1. This is a Notice of Violation (Notice) issued pursuant to Section 1.89 of the Commission's rules (Rules)<sup>1</sup> to Westar Satellite Services, LP, owner of antenna structure number 1049814 in Hempstead, Texas. Pursuant to Section 1.89(a) of the Rules, issuance of this Notice does not preclude the Enforcement Bureau from further action if warranted, including issuing a Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture for the violation(s) noted herein.<sup>2</sup>
- 2. On July 18, 2013, an agent of the Enforcement Bureau's Houston Office inspected antenna structure number 1049814 located in Hempstead, Texas,, and observed the following violation(s):
  - a. 47 C.F.R. § 17.50: "Antenna structures requiring painting under this part shall be cleaned or repainted as often as necessary to maintain good visibility." At the time of inspection, the paint on this structure was observed to be chipped and faded to the point where it no longer provided good visibility.

<sup>2</sup> 47 C.F.R. § 1.89(a).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 47 C.F.R. § 1.89.

- 3. Pursuant to Section 403 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended,<sup>3</sup> and Section 1.89 of the Rules, we seek additional information concerning the violations and any remedial actions taken. Therefore, Westar Satellite Services, LP must submit a written statement concerning this matter within twenty (20) days of release of this Notice. The response (i) must fully explain each violation, including all relevant surrounding facts and circumstances, (ii) must contain a statement of the specific action(s) taken to correct each violation and preclude recurrence, and (iii) must include a time line for completion of any pending corrective action(s). The response must be complete in itself and must not be abbreviated by reference to other communications or answers to other notices.<sup>4</sup>
- 4. In accordance with Section 1.16 of the Rules, we direct Westar Satellite Services, LP to support its response to this Notice with an affidavit or declaration under penalty of perjury, signed and dated by an authorized officer of Westar Satellite Services, LP with personal knowledge of the representations provided in Westar Satellite Services, LP's response, verifying the truth and accuracy of the information therein,<sup>5</sup> and confirming that all of the information requested by this Notice which is in the company's possession, custody, control, or knowledge has been produced. To knowingly and willfully make any false statement or conceal any material fact in reply to this Notice is punishable by fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the U.S. Code.<sup>6</sup>
- 5. All replies and documentation sent in response to this Notice should be marked with the File No. and NOV No. specified above, and mailed to the following address:

Federal Communications Commission Houston Office 9597 Jones Road, #362 Houston, Texas 77065

6. This Notice shall be sent to Westar Satellite Services, LP at its address of record.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> 47 U.S.C. § 403.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> 47 C.F.R. § 1.89(c).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Section 1.16 of the Rules provides that "[a]ny document to be filed with the Federal Communications Commission and which is required by any law, rule or other regulation of the United States to be supported, evidenced, established or proved by a written sworn declaration, verification, certificate, statement, oath or affidavit by the person making the same, may be supported, evidenced, established or proved by the unsworn declaration, certification, verification, or statement in writing of such person . . . . Such declaration shall be subscribed by the declarant as true under penalty of perjury, and dated, in substantially the following form . . . : 'I declare (or certify, verify, or state) under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on (date). (Signature)'." 47 C.F.R. § 1.16.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> 18 U.S.C. § 1001 et seq. See also 47 C.F.R. § 1.17.

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7. The Privacy Act of 1974<sup>7</sup> requires that we advise you that the Commission will use all relevant material information before it, including any information disclosed in your reply, to determine what, if any, enforcement action is required to ensure compliance.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> P.L. 93-579, 5 U.S.C. § 552a(e)(3).