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**FCC DISMISSES APPLICATION FOR CALIFORNIA STUDIO WITH
LINKS TO CHINESE GOVERNMENT TO DELIVER PROGRAMMING
ACROSS THE U.S.-MEXICO BORDER FOR REBROADCAST INTO
THE UNITED STATES**

Orders Studio to Cease Such Operations Within 48 Hours

WASHINGTON, June 22, 2020—The FCC’s International Bureau today dismissed an application to deliver Mandarin Chinese programming from a studio located in Irwindale, California to XEWW-AM in Mexico for rebroadcast back into the United States. The application was dismissed because the parties failed to include in their application a key participant, Phoenix Radio, which produces the Mandarin programming in its studio. Phoenix Radio is partially owned by two entities with Chinese government ownership, Extra Steps Investment Limited and China Wise International Limited. The parties have 48 hours to cease broadcast operations related to this application.

The Bureau formally dismissed the Permit to Deliver Programs to Foreign Broadcast Stations (section 325(c)) application of GLR Southern California and H&H Group USA as deficient as the application failed to include Phoenix Radio, LLC, as an applicant. Phoenix Radio’s known activities at this broadcast programming studio are such that, without reviewing its role as an applicant, the FCC could not evaluate the proposed service. Specifically, the broadcast programming subject to this application is supplied, created, and produced in a studio used, owned, and maintained by Phoenix Radio. The Bureau also dismissed an associated request to renew Special Temporary Authority to operate pending Commission action on the underlying section 325(c) application.

The intent of the application was that the programming would be transmitted from the studio to XEWW-AM in Rosarito, Baja California Norte, Mexico and then broadcast back into the United States. If such a revised application is filed that includes Phoenix Radio as an applicant, the Commission would review it under applicable law, including determining whether the grant of the application would serve the public interest under Section 309 of the Communications Act.

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