

Description of Transaction and Public Interest Statement

Applicant seeks consent to the *pro forma* assignment of licenses from TV Alabama, Inc. to WBMA Licensee, LLC in relation to an internal company reorganization. On September 15, 2014, the Commission granted the *pro forma* assignment of broadcast license WBMA-LD, from TV Alabama, Inc. to WBMA Licensee, LLC.¹ The assignment was consummated on December 30, 2014. The assignment was part of an internal reorganization in which the assignor, TV Alabama, Inc., contributed its interest in WBMA-LD to the assignee, WBMA Licensee, LLC. The assignment of the earth station licenses that are the subject of the instant application, and which are used in the operation of WBMA-LD, were also consummated on December 30, 2014. However, a Form 312 assignment of earth station license application was inadvertently not filed at that time.

The *pro forma* transaction does not involve any changes to the ultimate ownership of the licenses. As depicted below, following the reorganization, Sinclair Broadcast Group, Inc., through its subsidiaries, retained its same controlling ownership interest in the licenses.

Approval of this application is in the public interest because it will allow the earth station licenses to continue to be used in the operation of the associated broadcast station.

¹ See File No. BALDTL-20140822ABG.

Ownership Structure

