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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20554

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Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary

In re)
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Metropolitan Indianapolis Public) SES-RWL-1998-818-01077
Broadcasting, Inc. (d/b/a WFYI TV)
Channel 20))
)
Fixed Earth Station)
WD72)

TO: Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
ATTN: International Bureau, Satellite Division

PETITION FOR REINSTATEMENT

Pursuant to Section 25.163 of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR § 25.163, Metropolitan Indianapolis Public Broadcasting, Inc. (d/b/a WFYI TV Channel 20) ("MIPB"), hereby respectfully requests the Satellite Division of the International Bureau to reinstate the license of WD72, a fixed earth station previously licensed to MIPB and utilized in connection with operation of Noncommercial Education Station WFYI (TV).

MIPB was granted the WD72 authorization on September 4, 1998. The authorization covered a ten year period starting in 1998 and expired by its terms on September 16, 2008. This Petition for Reinstatement is being filed within 30 days after that expiration date and thus falls within the time period specified in Section 25.163(a)(1). MIPB, until few days ago, was unaware that the WD72 license had expired. It discovered

that it had overlooked the expiration date during a general review of the station's compliance with the FCC's rules and policies.

MIPB is a responsible public broadcaster and makes every effort to follow all Commission requirements -- as evidenced by its voluntary general review of its regulatory compliance that brought the expiration of the WD72 license to light. MIPB missed the license renewal date because the ten year licensing period gave them a false sense of security but to prevent this occurring in the future, MIPB has instituted a computer-based "tickler" system to ensure that future renewal and other deadlines are noted and met. MIPB's Vice-President for Broadcast Operations will monitor the tickler system.

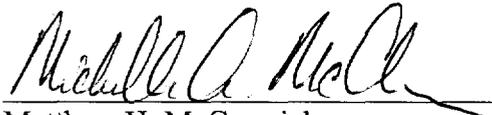
Significantly, MIPB has not used the earth station since the expiration date¹ and does not intend to do so until the authorization is reinstated. Thus, although the authorization expired on September 16, 2008, WD72 has not been operated without authorization nor will it be.

¹ See Exhibit A hereto (logs regarding operation of the earth station) showing that it was last used August 21, 2008.

In conclusion, MIPB utilizes this earth station in providing its public broadcasting service. Its failure to file the WD72 renewal application in a timely manner was inadvertent. MIPB has developed a tickler system to ensure future compliance with deadlines. Accordingly, it is in the public interest to reinstate the WD72 authorization per Section 25.163 of the Commission's rules.

Respectfully submitted,

METROPOLITAN INDIANAPOLIS
PUBLIC BROADCASTING, INC. (d/b/a
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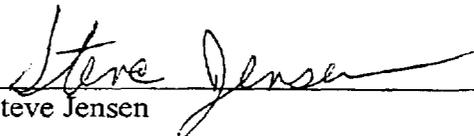
October 10, 2008

DECLARATION OF STEVE JENSEN

Steve Jensen hereby declares as follows:

I am Vice President of Broadcast Operations of Metropolitan Indianapolis Public Broadcasting, Inc. I have reviewed the foregoing Petition and verify that the facts set forth therein are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.



Steve Jensen

Executed on October 10, 2008

EXHIBIT A

Earth Station Log

EARTH STATION WD-72 TRANSMITTER LOG

DATE 26 JUNE 2008 -THAS ENGINEER AMH Gend SATELLITE Amc 3 XPONDER 5
 DRIVE PWR. 1 Mw. BEAM CURRENT 198 A. REMARKS: WJH
 FORWARD PWR. 140 W. BODY CURRENT 7.0 Ma.
 REVERSE PWR. 0 W. FILA. VOLTS 6.0 V.
 BEAM VOLTAGE 7900 KV. FILA. CURRENT 5.8 A.

CARRIER ON AIR: 1458 EST
 CARRIER OFF AIR: 1705 EST
 DATE 10 JULY 2008 ENGINEER AMH Gend SATELLITE Amc 6 XPONDER 21
 DRIVE PWR. 1 Mw. BEAM CURRENT 98 A. REMARKS: JESSE JACKSON
 FORWARD PWR. 100 W. BODY CURRENT 1.8 Ma.
 REVERSE PWR. 0 W. FILA. VOLTS 6.0 V.
 BEAM VOLTAGE 7900 KV. FILA. CURRENT 5.8 A.

CARRIER ON AIR: 1314 EST
 CARRIER OFF AIR: 1351 EST
 DATE 8 Aug 2008 ENGINEER Shayul Seale SATELLITE Amc 1 XPONDER 27
 DRIVE PWR. 1 Mw. BEAM CURRENT 98 A. REMARKS: TAPE = Play out
 FORWARD PWR. 80 W. BODY CURRENT 1.9 Ma.
 REVERSE PWR. 0 W. FILA. VOLTS 6.0 V.
 BEAM VOLTAGE 7900 KV. FILA. CURRENT 5.8 A.

CARRIER ON AIR: 1621 EST
 CARRIER OFF AIR: 1644 EST
 DATE 21 Aug 2008 ENGINEER Shayul Seale SATELLITE Amc 1 XPONDER 17
 DRIVE PWR. 1 Mw. BEAM CURRENT 98 A. REMARKS: TAPE = Play out
 FORWARD PWR. 80 W. BODY CURRENT 1.9 Ma.
 REVERSE PWR. 0 W. FILA. VOLTS 5.8 V.
 BEAM VOLTAGE 7900 KV. FILA. CURRENT 5.8 A.

CARRIER ON AIR: 1450 EST
 CARRIER OFF AIR: 1515 EST
 DATE _____ ENGINEER _____ SATELLITE _____ XPONDER _____
 DRIVE PWR. _____ Mw. BEAM CURRENT _____ A.
 FORWARD PWR. _____ W. BODY CURRENT _____ Ma.
 REVERSE PWR. _____ W. FILA. VOLTS _____ V.
 BEAM VOLTAGE _____ KV. FILA. CURRENT _____ A.

CARRIER ON AIR: _____ EST
 CARRIER OFF AIR: _____ EST
 DATE _____ ENGINEER _____ SATELLITE _____ XPONDER _____
 DRIVE PWR. _____ Mw. BEAM CURRENT _____ A.
 FORWARD PWR. _____ W. BODY CURRENT _____ Ma.
 REVERSE PWR. _____ W. FILA. VOLTS _____ V.
 BEAM VOLTAGE _____ KV. FILA. CURRENT _____ A.

WEEKLY EXCITER CHECK

COMMENTS:

DATE _____
 VIDEO 1 - 2 RF PHASE 1 - 2
 AFC _____ + 24 V _____
 IF LEVEL _____ + 15 V _____
 IF PHASE _____ + 5 V _____