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Annual DTV Ancillary/Supplementary Services Report for Commercial and Noncommercial Television Stations Due December 1, 2015

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All commercial and noncommercial full power television stations, digital Class A, digital low power, and digital translator television stations that are licensed or operating pursuant to Special Temporary Authority, must file Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Form 2100 Schedule G (formerly known as Form 317) electronically by December 1, 2015.

New this year, this filing must be submitted electronically using the Licensing and Management System (LMS) rather than CDBS. Instructions for use of LMS can be found **here**. Licensees with multiple commonly-owned stations can submit a single form for their stations, provided that none of the stations have revenue to report. Stations with revenue for ancillary or supplementary services must submit a separate form.

This filing informs the FCC whether a station provided any ancillary or supplementary services on its digital spectrum during the 12-month period ending September 30, 2015.

Ancillary or supplementary services generally are defined as any services provided on the station's digital spectrum other than free, over-the-air video broadcasts. For example, a video program stream broadcast on a multicast channel at no direct charge to viewers is not considered to be an ancillary or supplementary service; by contrast, if viewers must pay a subscription fee to receive the program stream, it is an ancillary and supplementary service. Other examples of ancillary or supplementary services include, but are not limited to, computer software distribution, data transmissions, aural

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messages, paging services, and audio signals.

All full power television, digital Class A, digital LPTV, and digital translator stations must submit the Form 2100 Schedule G – including those that are not operating pursuant to a license (*i.e.*, those operating pursuant to Special Temporary Authority).

A station must file Form 2100 Schedule G even if the station <u>has not</u> provided any ancillary or supplementary services on its digital spectrum. If the station <u>has</u> provided ancillary or supplementary services, then it must report the gross revenue collected for such services, if any, and submit a payment to the FCC in the amount of 5% of the gross revenue collected, along with a remittance form (Form 159).

If you have any questions or need assistance in filing the Form 2100 Schedule G, please contact John Burgett, Joan Stewart, or the Wiley Rein attorney who handles your station matters.

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