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MEDIA BUREAU ANNOUNCES PERMIT-BUT-DISCLOSE EX PARTE STATUS FOR TRANSFER OF CONTROL APPLICATIONS FILED BY CITADEL BROADCASTING CORPORATION AND THE WALT DISNEY COMPANY

On February 28, 2006, and March 14, 2006, Citadel Broadcasting Corporation (Citadel) and The Walt Disney Company (TWDC) filed applications seeking Commission consent to the transfer of control of the licenses of the 224 radio stations currently licensed to a subsidiary of Citadel and of 24 radio stations currently licensed to 12 TWDC subsidiaries. The Media Bureau issued a Broadcast Applications Public Notice on March 3, 2006 (*Broadcast Applications*, Report No. 26184), March 7, 2006 (*Broadcast Applications*, Report No. 26186), and March 20, 2006 (*Broadcast Applications*, Report No. 26195) announcing that the applications had been accepted for filing and establishing a pleading cycle to permit interested parties an opportunity to comment on the proposed transaction.

Applications for consent to the transfer of control of broadcast licenses and authorizations are subject, unless otherwise provided, to treatment by the Commission as restricted proceedings for *ex parte* purposes under Section 1.1208 of the Commission's rules. 47 C.F.R. §1.1208. We have concluded, however, that classifying this proceeding as permit-but-disclose would, in this case, serve the public interest. Accordingly, by this Public Notice, and pursuant to Section 1.1200(a) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §1.1200(a), we announce that the *ex parte* procedures applicable to nonrestricted proceedings will govern our consideration of the instant applications. See 47 C.F.R. §1.1206.

Permit-but-disclose *ex parte* procedures permit interested parties to make *ex parte* presentations to the Commissioners and Commission employees and require that these presentations be disclosed in the record of the relevant proceeding. Persons making a written *ex parte* presentation to the Commissioners or Commission employees must file the written presentation with the Office of the Secretary no later than the next business day after the presentation. 47 C.F.R. §1.1206(b)(1). Persons making oral *ex parte* presentations must file a summary of the presentation no later than the next business day after the presentation. 47 C.F.R. §1.1206(b)(2). All *ex parte* filings must be clearly labeled as such and must reference this Public Notice, **DA 06-800**.

An original and one copy of all *ex parte* memoranda must be filed with Marlene H. Dortch, Office of the Secretary, 445 12th Street, S.W., TW-A325, Washington, D.C. 20554, in accordance with Section 1.1206(b)(1) of the Commission's rules. 47 C.F.R. §1.1206(b)(1). In addition, one copy of all *ex parte* memoranda should be delivered to Qualex International, 445 12th Street, S.W., Room CY-B402, Washington, D.C. 20554; and Chris Robbins, Audio Division, Media Bureau, 445 12th Street, S.W., Room 2-A223, Washington, D.C. 20554.

Individuals can access copies of the applications online through the Commission's web site. Hard copies of the applications and related documents are also available for public inspection and copying during normal business hours in the Commission's Reference Information Center located at Room CY-A257, 445 12th Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20554.

For further information, contact Chris Robbins, Audio Division, Media Bureau, at (202) 418-2700.

By: Chief, Media Bureau