**DA 14-762**

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**NOTICE OF DISMISSALS OF CLOSED CAPTIONING EXEMPTION PETITIONS AND**

**OBLIGATION TO BEGIN PROVIDING CLOSED CAPTIONING**

**CG Docket No. 06-181**

By this *Notice,* the Federal Communications Commission’s (FCC’s or Commission’s) Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau (Bureau) announces the dismissal of the petitions for exemption from the Commission’s closed captioning requirements listed herein.[[1]](#footnote-1)

The Commission’s closed captioning rules allow video programming providers, producers, or owners to obtain an exemption from the closed captioning requirements if they demonstrate that providing captions on their programming would be “economically burdensome.”[[2]](#footnote-2) On various dates, the petitioners listed in the Appendix filed petitions for closed captioning exemptions under these rules. The Bureau then placed each of these petitions on public notice. After reviewing the comments received in response to these petitions, the Bureau determined that it required additional and updated information to evaluate whether the programming at issue should be exempted from the FCC’s closed captioning requirements because captioning such programming would impose an economic burden on the petitioners. The Bureau sent letters to these petitioners requesting this supplemental information within 30 days of the date of each letter. In these letters, the Bureau advised these petitioners that failure to provide all of the updated information and documentation requested would result in dismissal of their petitions for failure to support their exemption requests with adequate explanation and evidence. The Bureau further advised petitioners that, in the event of such dismissal, petitioners would be required to begin providing closed captioning on the programming at issue within 90 days of the date of the Bureau’s notification of dismissal.

The petitioners listed in the Appendix to this *Notice* responded to the Bureau’s request for supplemental information, but failed to provide in full the requested supplemental information. Accordingly, the petitions listed in the Appendix are dismissed without prejudice as of June 2, 2014, the release date of this *Notice*.[[3]](#footnote-3) This *Notice* also reminds these petitioners of their obligations to comply with the FCC’s closed captioning requirements contained in Part 79 of the Commission’s rules with regard to the programming that was the subject of their petitions by September 2, 2014, which is 90 days after the release of this *Notice* of dismissal.

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**APPENDIX**

Petitions for Closed Captioning Exemptions Dismissed

June 2, 2014

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| **Case Identifier****CGB-CC-** | **Petitioner** | **Program Name** | **Mailing Address** |
| 0011 | Frank Leto | “Zomboo’s House of Horror Movies” | Frank LetoZomboo, Inc.5200 Summit Ridge Drive, #4312Reno, NV 89523 |
| 0046 | Dilworth Church of Christ | “Seeking the Lost” | Earl BarnettSeeking the Lost MinistriesDilworth Church of Christ1404 Drummond Cemetery RoadJasper, AL 35504 |
| 0103 | Christian Fellowship Church | “The Bridge” | Brandon FarrChristian Fellowship ChurchP.O. Box 530158Harlington, TX 78553 |
| 0197 | Unionville Missionary Baptist Church | “Unionville Missionary Baptist Church Services” | Dr. I. Edwin Mack, Pastor Unionville Missionary Baptist Church3837 Houston AvenueMacon, GA 31206 |
| 0239 | First United Methodist Church | “Ten O’Clock Worship Service” | Steve Rascoe, Senior PastorFirst United Methodist Church903 East Fourth StreetPanama City, FL 32401 |
| 0258 | Christ for the Crisis Ministries | “Christ for the Crisis” | Kenny DigbyChrist for the Crisis MinistryP.O. Box 6Fulton, MS 38843 |
| 0397 | Adventist Fellowship | “The Revelation of Jesus Christ” | Pastor Stephen Carlile South Tulsa Adventist Fellowship15303 East 21st StreetTulsa, OK 74134 |
| 0454 | Thirteenth Street Baptist Church | “Thirteenth Street Baptist Church” | Pastor Bill ParkerThirteenth Street Baptist ChurchP.O. Box 1700Ashland, KY 41105-1700 |
| 0481 | Move of God Ministries | “Unity With Pam Show” | Move of God Ministriesc/o Alfonza Whitaker Whitaker & Whitaker, P.C.644 BroadwayP.O. Box 2748Columbus, GA 31902 |
| **Case Identifier****CGB-CC-** | **Petitioner** | **Program Name** | **Mailing Address** |
| 1157 | Norm Prouty  | “The Norm Prouty Real Estate Show” | Norm ProutyThe Norm Prouty Real Estate Show57 Mayo RoadHampden, ME 04444 |
| 1176 | Message For Today | “Message For Today” | Dale MorrisonMessage For TodayP.O. Box 10253Cedar Rapids, IA 52410 |
| 1196 | Digital Exposure | “Open House ATX” | Ronald A. YakersonDigital Exposure11421 Viridian WayAustin, TX 78739 |
| 1197 | Digital Exposure | “The Austin Real Estate Experts” | Ronald A. YakersonDigital Exposure11421 Viridian WayAustin, TX 78739 |
| 1228 | Delaware Standardbred Owners Association, Inc. | “Post Time” | Salvatore DiMarioDelaware Standardbred Owners Association830 Walker Square, Suite 11-2Dover, DE 19904 |
| 1253 | Sharing Faith Ministries | “Your Sunday Worship” | The Reverend Dr. Cecelia GreeneBarrSharing Faith MinistriesP.O. Box 714Walled Lake, MI 48390 |
| 1256 | Ocala First United Methodist Church | “Sunday Morning Service” | Tim M. GudeOcala First United Methodist Church40 South East 11th AvenueOcala, FL 34471 |

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1. 47 C.F.R. § 79.1. The names of the petitioners are set forth in the Appendix to this *Notice*. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. 47 C.F.R. § 79.1(f). [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. The release of this *Notice* serves as the Bureau’s notification of dismissal to these petitioners. The Bureau will also mail a copy of this *Notice* to each of the petitioners listed in the Appendix, with a description of the supplemental information that each individual petitioner did not provide to the Commission. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)