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**\$42,628,184**

## **NEXSTAR BROADCASTING, INC.**

### **Exchange Offer for**

### **Senior Subordinated PIK Notes due 2014**

Offer for outstanding Senior Subordinated PIK Notes due 2014, in the aggregate principal amount of \$42,628,184 (which we refer to as the Old Notes ) in exchange for up to \$42,628,184 aggregate principal amount of Senior Subordinated PIK Notes due 2014 which have been registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, (which we refer to as the New Notes ).

#### **Terms of the Exchange Offer:**

Expires 5:00 p.m., New York City time, February 3, 2010, unless extended.

Not subject to any condition other than that the exchange offer does not violate applicable law or any interpretation of the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Nexstar Broadcasting, Inc. ( Nexstar ) can amend or terminate the exchange offer.

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Nexstar will exchange all Senior Subordinated PIK Notes due 2014 that are validly tendered and not validly withdrawn.

Nexstar will not receive any proceeds from the exchange offer.

The exchange of notes will not be a taxable exchange for United States federal income tax purposes.

You may withdraw tendered outstanding Old Notes any time before the expiration of the exchange offer.

### Terms of the New Notes:

The New Notes will be general unsecured senior subordinated obligations of Nexstar and will be subordinated to all of Nexstar's senior debt.

The guarantees will be general unsecured senior subordinated obligations of the guarantors and will be subordinated to all senior debt of the guarantors. **However, Nexstar Broadcasting Group, Inc., Nexstar's ultimate parent will not be considered a guarantor (as defined in the indenture) for any purpose under the indenture and, therefore, will not be subject to the indenture.**

The New Notes mature on January 15, 2014. The New Notes will bear interest at: (a) 12% per annum from June 30, 2008 to January 15, 2010, payable entirely during such period by increasing the principal amount of the Notes by an amount equal to the amount of interest then due ( Payment- in-Kind Interest ); (b) 13% per annum, payable entirely in cash, from January 16, 2010 to July 15, 2010; (c) 13.5% per annum, payable entirely in cash, from July 16, 2010 to January 15, 2011; (d) 14.0% per annum, payable entirely in cash, from January 16, 2011 to July 15, 2011; (e) 14.5% per annum, payable entirely in cash, from July 16, 2011 to January 15, 2012; and (f) 15% per annum, payable entirely in cash, thereafter.

Nexstar may redeem the New Notes at any time on or after October 1, 2008.

Upon a change of control, Nexstar may be required to offer to repurchase the New Notes.

The terms of the New Notes are identical to Nexstar's outstanding Old Notes except for transfer restrictions and registration rights.

**For a discussion of specific risks that you should consider before tendering your outstanding Senior Subordinated PIK Notes due 2014 in the exchange offer, see Risk Factors beginning on page 8.**

There is no public market for Nexstar's outstanding Senior Subordinated PIK Notes due 2014 or the New Notes. However, you may trade Nexstar's outstanding Senior Subordinated PIK Notes due 2014 in the Private Offering Resale and Trading through Automatic Linkages, or PORTAL, market.

Each broker-dealer that receives New Notes pursuant to the exchange offer must acknowledge that it will deliver a prospectus in connection with any resale of the New Notes. A broker dealer who acquired Old Notes as a result of market making or other trading activities may use this exchange offer prospectus, as supplemented or amended, in connection with any resales of the New Notes.

**Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of the New Notes or determined if this prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.**

**The date of this prospectus is December 31, 2009**

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You should rely only on the information contained in this prospectus. We have not authorized anyone to provide you with information different from that contained in this prospectus. The selling noteholders are offering to sell, and seeking offers to buy, Senior Subordinated PIK Notes due 2014 only in jurisdictions where offers and sales are permitted. The information contained in this prospectus is accurate only as of the date of this prospectus, regardless of the time of delivery of this prospectus or of any sale of our Senior Subordinated PIK Notes due 2014.

Each broker-dealer that receives new securities for its own account pursuant to the exchange offer must acknowledge that it will deliver a prospectus in connection with any resale of these new securities. By so acknowledging and by delivering a prospectus, a broker-dealer will not be deemed to admit that it is an underwriter within the meaning of the Securities Act. This prospectus, as it may be amended or supplemented from time to time, may be used by a broker-dealer in connection with resales of new securities received in exchange for securities where those securities were acquired by this broker-dealer as a result of market-making activities or other trading activities. We have agreed that, starting on the expiration date and ending on the close of business 180 days after the expiration date, we will make this prospectus available to any broker-dealer for use in connection with any such resale. See Plan of Distribution.

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As used in this prospectus and unless the context indicated otherwise, Notes refers, collectively, to our Old Notes and New Notes.

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**PROSPECTUS SUMMARY**

As used in this prospectus, references to the Company, we, us, and our refer to Nexstar Broadcasting, Inc. and its subsidiaries, unless the context otherwise requires. Unless specified, all financial information in this prospectus is information regarding Nexstar Broadcasting Group, Inc. and its consolidated subsidiaries and Mission Broadcasting, Inc. ( Mission ). This prospectus includes specific terms of the New Notes we are offering as well as information regarding our business and detailed financial data. For a more complete understanding of this offering, we encourage you to read this prospectus in its entirety.

Nexstar Broadcasting Group currently owns, operates, programs or provides sales and other services to 63 television stations (inclusive of the digital multi-channels) in 34 markets in the states of Illinois, Indiana, Maryland, Missouri, Montana, Texas, Pennsylvania, Louisiana, Arkansas, Alabama, New York, Rhode Island, Utah and Florida. Nexstar's television station group includes affiliates of NBC, CBS, ABC, FOX, MyNetworkTV and The CW and reaches approximately 13 million viewers or approximately 11.5% of all U.S. television households.

Our principal offices are at 5215 North O'Connor Boulevard, Suite 1400, Irving, Texas 75039. Our telephone number is (972) 373-8800 and our website is [www.nexstar.tv](http://www.nexstar.tv).

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**Purpose of the Exchange Offer**

On June 30, 2008, we sold, through a private placement exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act, \$42,628,184 of our Senior Subordinated PIK Notes due 2014, all of which are eligible to be exchanged for New Notes. We refer to these notes as Old Notes in this prospectus. The Old Notes are subject to transfer restrictions until we consummate this exchange offer or they are resold under a shelf registration statement.

Simultaneously with the private placement, we entered into a registration rights agreement with the initial purchasers of the Old Notes. Under the registration rights agreement, we are required to use our reasonable best efforts to cause a registration statement for substantially identical Notes, which will be issued in exchange for the Old Notes, to be filed as soon as practicable after June 30, 2008, but in no event later than December 31, 2009. We refer to the Notes to be registered under this exchange offer registration statement as New Notes and collectively with the Old Notes, we refer to them as the Notes in this prospectus. You may exchange your Old Notes for New Notes in this exchange offer. You should read the discussion under the headings Summary of the Exchange Offer, The Exchange Offer and Description of the New Notes for further information regarding the New Notes.

We did not register the Old Notes under the Securities Act or any state securities law, nor do we intend to after the exchange offer. As a result, the Old Notes may only be transferred in limited circumstances under the securities laws. If the holders of the Old Notes do not exchange their Old Notes in the exchange offer, they lose their right to have the Old Notes registered under the Securities Act, subject to certain limitations. Anyone who still holds Old Notes after the exchange offer may be unable to resell their Old Notes.

**Summary of the Exchange Offer**

**The Exchange Offer**

Securities Offered	\$42,628,184 principal amount of Senior Subordinated PIK Notes due 2014. The Notes are subject to transfer restrictions until we consummate this exchange offer or they are resold under a shelf registration statement.
The Exchange Offer	Nexstar is offering to exchange the Old Notes for a like principal amount at maturity of the New Notes. Old Notes may be exchanged only in integral principal at maturity multiples of \$1,000. This exchange offer is being made pursuant to a registration rights agreement dated as of June 30, 2008, which granted the initial purchasers and any subsequent holders of the Old Notes certain exchange and registration rights. This exchange offer is intended to satisfy those exchange and registration rights with respect to the Old Notes. After the exchange offer is complete, you will no longer be entitled to any exchange or registration rights with respect to your Old Notes.
Expiration Date; Withdrawal of Tender	Nexstar's exchange offer will expire 5:00 p.m. New York City time, on February 3, 2010, or a later time if we choose to extend this exchange offer. You may withdraw your tender of Old Notes at any time prior to the expiration date. All outstanding Old Notes that are



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validly tendered and not validly withdrawn will be exchanged. Any Old Notes not accepted by us for exchange for any reason will be returned to you at our expense as promptly as possible after the expiration or termination of the exchange offer.

**Resales**

We believe that you can offer for resale, resell and otherwise transfer the New Notes without complying with the registration and

prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act if:

you acquire the New Notes in the ordinary course of business:

you are not participating, do not intend to participate, and have no arrangement or understanding with any person to participate, in the distribution of the New Notes;

you are not an affiliate of Nexstar, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act; and

you are not a broker-dealer.

If any of these conditions is not satisfied and you transfer any New Notes without delivering a proper prospectus or without qualifying for a registration exemption, you may incur liability under the Securities Act. Nexstar does not assume or indemnify you against this liability.

Each broker-dealer acquiring New Notes issued for its own account in exchange for Old Notes, which it acquired through market-making activities or other trading activities, must acknowledge that it will deliver a proper prospectus when any New Notes issued in the exchange offer are transferred. A broker-dealer may use this prospectus for an offer to resell, a resale or other retransfer of the New Notes issued in the exchange offer.

**Conditions to the Exchange Offer**

Nexstar's obligation to accept for exchange, or to issue the New Notes in exchange for, any Old Notes is subject to certain customary conditions relating to compliance with any applicable law, or any applicable interpretation by any staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, or any order of any governmental agency or court of law. We currently expect that each of the conditions will be satisfied and that no waivers will be necessary. See The Exchange Offer Conditions to the Exchange Offer.

**Procedures for Tendering Notes Held in the Form of Book-Entry Interests**

The Old Notes were issued as global securities and were deposited upon issuance with The Bank of New York. The Bank of New York issued certificateless depositary interests in those outstanding Old Notes, which represent a 100% interest in those Old Notes, to The Depository Trust Company.

Beneficial interests in the outstanding Old Notes, which are held by direct or indirect participants in the Depository Trust Company, are



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shown on, and transfers of the Old Notes can only be made through, records maintained in book-entry form by The Depository Trust Company.

You may tender your outstanding Old Notes by instructing your broker or bank where you keep the Old Notes to tender them for you. In some cases you may be asked to submit the BLUE-colored Letter of Election and Instructions to Brokers or Bank that may accompany this prospectus. By tendering your Old Notes you will be deemed to have acknowledged and agreed to be bound by the terms set forth under The Exchange Offer. Your outstanding Old Notes will be tendered in multiples of \$1,000.

A timely confirmation of book-entry transfer of your outstanding Old Notes into the exchange agent's account at The Depository Trust Company, under the procedure described in this prospectus under the heading The Exchange Offer must be received by the exchange agent on or before 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date.

United States Federal Income Tax Considerations	The exchange offer should not result in any income, gain or loss to the holders of Old Notes or to us for United States federal income tax purposes. See Certain United States Federal Income Tax Considerations.
Use of Proceeds	We will not receive any proceeds from the issuance of the New Notes in the exchange offer.
Exchange Agent	The Bank of New York is serving as the exchange agent for the exchange offer.
PORTAL Market	There is no public market for Nexstar's outstanding Senior Subordinated PIK Notes due 2014 or the New Notes.
Shelf Registration Statement	In limited circumstances, holders of Old Notes may require Nexstar to register their Old Notes under a shelf registration statement.

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**The New Notes**

The form and terms of the New Notes are the same as the form and terms of the Old Notes, except that the New Notes will be registered under the Securities Act. As a result, the New Notes will not bear legends restricting their transfer and will not contain the registration rights and liquidated damage provisions contained in the Old Notes. The New Notes represent the same debt as the Old Notes. The Old Notes and the New Notes are governed by the same indenture and are together considered a series of securities under that indenture. Unless the context indicates otherwise, we use the term Notes in this prospectus to refer collectively to the Old Notes and the New Notes.

Issuer	Nexstar Broadcasting, Inc.
The New Notes	\$42,628,184 principal amount of Senior Subordinated PIK Notes due 2014. The Notes are subject to transfer restrictions until we consummate this exchange offer or they are resold under a shelf registration statement.
Maturity	January 15, 2014.
Interest Rate	The New Notes will bear interest at: (a) 12% per annum from June 30, 2008 to January 15, 2010, payable entirely during such period by increasing the principal amount of the Notes by an amount equal to the amount of interest then due ( Payment-in-Kind Interest ); (b) 13% per annum, payable entirely in cash, from January 16, 2010 to July 15, 2010; (c) 13.5% per annum, payable entirely in cash, from July 16, 2010 to January 15, 2011; (d) 14.0% per annum, payable entirely in cash, from January 16, 2011 to July 15, 2011; (e) 14.5% per annum, payable entirely in cash, from July 16, 2011 to January 15, 2012; and (f) 15% per annum, payable entirely in cash, thereafter.
Interest Payment Dates	January 15 and July 15
First payment: July 15, 2010.	
Denominations	\$1,000 minimum and \$1,000 integral multiples thereof.
Guarantees	The Notes will be fully and unconditionally, jointly and severally guaranteed on a senior subordinated basis by:

Nexstar Broadcasting Group, Inc., Nexstar's ultimate parent; **however, Nexstar Broadcasting Group, Inc. will not be considered a guarantor (as defined in the indenture) for any purpose under the indenture and, therefore, will not be subject to the indenture;** and

all of Nexstar's future domestic subsidiaries.

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Of all of our consolidated entities, the only one that does not guarantee the Notes is Nexstar's direct parent, Nexstar Finance Holdings, Inc.

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Ranking	<p>The Notes and the guarantees are senior subordinated obligations. Accordingly, they will rank:</p> <p>behind all of Nexstar's and the guarantors' existing and future senior debt;</p> <p>equally with all of Nexstar's and the guarantors' existing and future unsecured senior subordinated obligations that do not expressly provide that they are subordinated to the Notes and the guarantees, respectively; and</p> <p>ahead of any of Nexstar's and the guarantors' future debt that expressly provides that it is subordinated to the Notes.</p>
Optional Redemption	<p>See Description of the New Notes' Optional Redemption.</p>
Mandatory Repurchase Offer	<p>If Nexstar or any of their restricted subsidiaries sell certain assets or if Nexstar experiences specific kinds of changes of control, Nexstar must offer to repurchase the Notes at the prices listed under Description of the New Notes' Repurchase at the Option of Holders.</p>
Certain Covenants	<p>We will issue the notes under an indenture (and a supplemental indenture thereto) with The Bank of New York, which will initially act as trustee on your behalf. The Indenture governing the Notes will, among other things, restrict the ability of Nexstar and its subsidiaries to:</p> <p>incur or guarantee additional indebtedness;</p> <p>pay dividends or distributions on, or redeem or repurchase, capital stock;</p> <p>make investments;</p> <p>engage in transactions with affiliates;</p> <p>transfer or sell assets;</p> <p>incur liens or enter into any sale/leaseback transactions; and</p> <p>consolidate, merge or transfer all or substantially all of their assets.</p>
Use of Proceeds	<p>We will not receive any proceeds from the issuance of the New Notes pursuant to the exchange offer. We will pay all of our expenses incident to the exchange offer.</p>

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Risk Factors

Investing in the Notes involves substantial risks. See Risk Factors for a description of certain of the risks you should consider before investing in the Notes.

The Notes will not be entitled to the benefit of any mandatory sinking fund.

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For more complete information about the Notes, see the Description of the New Notes section of this prospectus.

Our executive offices are located at 5215 North O Connor Boulevard, Suite 1400, Irving, Texas 75039, and our telephone number is (972) 373-8800.

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**RISK FACTORS**

*An investment in the notes is subject to numerous risks, including those listed below. Additional risks and uncertainties not currently known to us or that we currently deem to be immaterial may also materially and adversely affect our business operations. You should carefully consider the following risks, along with the information provided elsewhere in this prospectus. These risks could materially affect our ability to meet our obligations under the notes. You could lose all or part of your investment in, and the expected return on, the notes.*

**Risks Related to the New Notes**

*Because there is no public market for the New Notes, you may not be able to sell your New Notes.*

The New Notes will be registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Act, but will constitute a new issue of securities with no established trading market, and uncertainty exists with regard to:

the liquidity of any trading market that may develop;

the ability of holders to sell their New Notes; or

the price at which the holders would be able to sell their New Notes.

If a trading market were to develop, the New Notes might trade a higher or lower prices than their principal amount or purchase price, depending on many factors, including prevailing interest rates, the market for similar securities and our financial performance.

Any market-making activity will be subject to the limits imposed by the Securities Act and the Exchange Act, and may be limited during the exchange offer or the pendency of an applicable shelf registration statement. An active trading market might not exist for the New Notes and any trading market that does develop might not be liquid.

In addition, any holder of Old Notes who tenders in the exchange offer for the purpose of participating in a distribution of the New Notes may be deemed to have received restricted securities, and if so, will be required to comply with the registration and prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act in connection with any resale transaction.

*Your Old Notes will not be accepted for exchange if you fail to follow the exchange offer procedures.*

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We will issue New Notes pursuant to this exchange offer only after a timely receipt of your Old Notes (including timely notation in book-entry form). Therefore, if you want to tender your Old Notes, please allow sufficient time to ensure timely delivery. If we do not receive your Old Notes, by the expiration date of the exchange offer, we will not accept your Old Notes for exchange. We are under no duty to give notification of defects or irregularities with respect to the tenders of Old Notes for exchange. If there are defects or irregularities with respect to your tender of Old Notes, we will not accept your Old Notes for exchange.

*If you do not exchange your Old Notes, your Old Notes will continue to be subject to the existing transfer restrictions and you may be unable to sell your Old Notes.*

We did not register the Old Notes, nor do we intend to do so following the exchange offer. The Old Notes that are not tendered will, therefore, continue to be subject to the existing transfer restrictions and may be transferred only in limited circumstances under the securities laws. If you do not exchange your Old Notes, you will be subject to existing transfer restrictions. As a result, if you hold Old Notes after the exchange offer, you may be unable to sell your Old Notes. If a large number of outstanding Old Notes are exchanged for New Notes issued in the exchange offer, it may be difficult for holders of outstanding Old Notes that are not exchanged in



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the exchange offer to sell their Old Notes, since those Old Notes may not be offered or sold unless they are registered or there are exemptions from registration requirements under the Securities Act or state laws that apply to them. In addition, if there are only a small number of Old Notes outstanding, there may not be a very liquid market in those Old Notes. There may be few investors that will purchase unregistered securities in which there is not a liquid market.

*If you exchange your Old Notes, you may not be able to resell the New Notes you receive in the exchange offer without registering them and delivering a prospectus.*

You may not be able to resell New Notes you receive in the exchange offer without registering those New Notes or delivering a prospectus. Based on interpretations by the Commission in no-action letters, we believe, with respect to New Notes issued in the exchange offer, that:

holders who are not affiliates of Nexstar within the meaning of Rule 405 of the Securities Act;

holders who acquire their New Notes in the ordinary course of business;

holders who do not engage in, intend to engage in, or have arrangements to participate in a distribution (within the meaning of the Securities Act) of the New Notes; and

are not broker-dealers

do not have to comply with the registration and prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act.

Holders described in the preceding sentence must tell us in writing at our request that they meet these criteria. Holders that do not meet these criteria could not rely on interpretations of the SEC in no-action letters, and would have to register the New Notes they receive in the exchange offer and deliver a prospectus for them. In addition, holders that are broker-dealers may be deemed underwriters within the meaning of the Securities Act in connection with any resale of New Notes acquired in the exchange offer. Holders that are broker-dealers must acknowledge that they acquired their outstanding New Notes in market-making activities or other trading activities and must deliver a prospectus when they resell New Notes they acquire in the exchange offer in order not to be deemed an underwriter.

## **Risks Related to The Offering**

*Our substantial debt could limit our ability to grow and compete.*

We have a significant amount of indebtedness. Our substantial indebtedness could have important consequences to our business. For example, it could:

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limit our ability to borrow additional funds or obtain additional financing in the future;

limit our ability to pursue acquisition opportunities;

expose us to greater interest rate risk since the interest rate on borrowings under our senior credit facility is variable;

limit our flexibility to plan for and react to changes in our business and our industry; and

impair our ability to withstand a general downturn in our business and place us at a disadvantage compared to our competitors that are less leveraged.

See Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations Contractual Obligations included in this prospectus.

In addition, our and Mission's high level of debt requires us and Mission to dedicate a substantial portion of cash flow to pay principal and interest on debt which will reduce the funds available for working capital, capital expenditures, acquisitions and other general corporate purposes. We and Mission could also incur additional debt

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in the future. The terms of our and Mission's senior credit facilities, as well as the indentures governing our outstanding notes (including Nexstar Finance Holdings' senior discount notes and Nexstar's senior subordinated notes), limit, but do not prohibit us or Mission from incurring substantial amounts of additional debt. To the extent we or Mission incur additional debt, we would become even more susceptible to the leverage-related risks described above.

*The agreements governing our and Mission's debt contain various covenants that limit our management's discretion in the operation of our business.*

Our and Mission's senior credit facilities and the indentures governing our outstanding notes contain various covenants that restrict our and Mission's ability and the ability of our and Mission's subsidiaries to, among other things:

incur additional debt and issue preferred stock;

pay dividends and make other distributions;

make investments and other restricted payments;

make acquisitions;

merge, consolidate or transfer all or substantially all of our assets;

enter into sale and leaseback transactions;

create liens;

sell assets or stock of our subsidiaries; and

enter into transactions with affiliates.

In addition, our senior credit facility requires us to maintain or meet certain financial ratios, including consolidated leverage ratios and interest coverage ratios. Future financing agreements may contain similar, or even more restrictive, provisions and covenants. As a result of these restrictions and covenants, our management's ability to operate our business in its discretion is limited, and we may be unable to compete effectively, pursue acquisitions or take advantage of new business opportunities, any of which could harm our business. Mission's senior credit facility contains similar terms and restrictions.

If we, Mission or any of our respective subsidiaries fails to comply with the restrictions in present or future financing agreements, a default may occur. A default could allow creditors to accelerate the related debt as well as any other debt to which a cross-acceleration or cross-default

provision applies. A default could also allow creditors to foreclose on any collateral securing such debt. We may not have, or be able to obtain, sufficient funds to make accelerated payments, including payments on the Notes, or to repay the Notes in full after we pay our senior debt in full. See Description of the New Notes.

***Ability to Service Debt*** *To service our indebtedness, we will require a significant amount of cash. Our ability to generate cash depends on many factors beyond our control.*

Our ability to pay the principal of and interest on the Notes, to service our other debt and to finance indebtedness when necessary depends on our financial and operating performance, each of which is subject to prevailing economic conditions and to financial, business, legislative and regulatory factors as well as other factors beyond our control. We cannot assure you that we will generate sufficient cash flow from operations or that we will be able to obtain sufficient funding to satisfy all of our obligations, including the Notes. If we are unable to pay our obligations as they become due, we will be required to pursue one or more alternative strategies, such as selling assets, refinancing or restructuring our indebtedness or selling additional debt or equity securities. However, we cannot assure you that any alternative strategies will be feasible at the time or prove adequate. Also, some alternative strategies will require the consent of our lenders before we engage in those strategies. In addition, the ability to borrow funds under our senior credit facility in the future will depend on our

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meeting the financial covenants in the agreements governing this facility, including a minimum interest coverage test and a maximum leverage ratio test. We cannot assure you that our business will generate cash flow from operations or that future borrowings will be available to us under our senior credit facility, in an amount sufficient to enable us to pay our debt or to fund other liquidity needs. As a result, we may need to refinance all or a portion of our debt on or before maturity; however, we may not be able to refinance our debt on acceptable terms or at all.

***Subordination*** *Your right to receive payment on the Notes and the guarantees is junior to all of Nexstar's and the guarantors' senior debt.*

By their express terms, the Notes and the guarantees will be junior in right of payment to all of Nexstar's and the guarantors' existing and future senior debt, including obligations under Nexstar's and Mission's senior credit facilities. If Nexstar or a guarantor is declared bankrupt, becomes insolvent or is liquidated or reorganized, Nexstar's or such guarantor's senior debt will be entitled to be paid in full from Nexstar's assets or the assets of the guarantor, as applicable, before any payment may be made with respect to the Notes or the affected guarantees. In any of the foregoing events, we cannot assure you that we would have sufficient assets to pay amounts due on the Notes after paying Nexstar's and the guarantors' senior debt in full. As a result, holders of the Notes may receive less, proportionally, than the holders of debt senior to the Notes and the guarantees. The subordination provisions of the indenture governing the Notes and the guarantees also provide that we and the guarantors can make no payment to you during the continuance of payment defaults on Nexstar's and the guarantors' senior debt, and payments to you may be suspended for a period of up to 179 days if a nonpayment default exists under Nexstar's and the guarantors' senior debt. See Description of the New Notes Subordination.

In addition, the indenture governing the Notes and the credit agreements governing Nexstar's and Mission's senior credit facilities permit, subject to specified limitations, the incurrence of additional debt, some or all of which may be senior debt.

***Fraudulent Conveyance Matters*** *Federal and state statutes allow courts, under specific circumstances, to void guarantees, subordinate claims in respect of the Notes and require Nexstar's noteholders to return payments received from guarantors.*

Under federal bankruptcy law and comparable provisions of state fraudulent transfer laws, a guarantee could be voided, or claims in respect of the Notes or a guarantee could be subordinated to all of Nexstar's other debts or all other debts of any guarantor if, among other things, Nexstar or the guarantor was insolvent or rendered insolvent by reason of such incurrence, or Nexstar or the guarantor were engaged in a business or transaction for which Nexstar's or the guarantor's remaining assets constituted unreasonably small capital; or Nexstar or the guarantor intended to incur or believed that Nexstar or it would incur, debts beyond Nexstar's or its ability to pay those debts as they mature. In addition, any payment by Nexstar or that guarantor in accordance with its guarantee could be voided and required to be returned to Nexstar or the guarantor, or to a fund for the benefit of Nexstar's creditors or the creditors of the guarantors.

The measures of insolvency for purposes of these fraudulent transfer laws will vary depending upon the law applied in any proceeding to determine whether a fraudulent transfer has occurred. Generally, however, a guarantor would be considered insolvent if the sum of its debts, including contingent liabilities, were greater than the fair saleable value of all of its assets, or if the present fair saleable value of its assets were less than the amount that would be required to pay its probable liability on its existing debts, including contingent liabilities, as they become absolute and mature, or it would not pay its debts as they become due.

On the basis of historical financial information, recent operating history and other factors, Nexstar believes that Nexstar and each guarantor, after giving effect to its guarantee of the Notes, will not be insolvent, will not have unreasonably small capital for the business in which Nexstar and they are engaged and will not have



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incurred debts beyond Nexstar's or their ability to pay the debts as they mature. We cannot assure you, however, as to what standard a court would apply in making these determinations or that a court would agree with our conclusions.

### **Risks Related to Our Operations**

*The continued economic slowdown in the United States and the national and world-wide financial crisis may adversely affect our results of operations, cash flows and financial condition. Among other things, these negative economic trends could adversely affect demand for television advertising, reduce the availability, and increase the cost, of short-term funds for liquidity requirements, and adversely affect our ability to meet long-term commitments. In addition, general trends in the television industry could adversely affect demand for television advertising as consumers flock to alternative media, including the Internet, for entertainment.*

The continued economic slowdown in the United States is likely to adversely affect our results of operations and cash flows by, among other things, reducing demand for local and national television advertising and making it more difficult for customers to pay their accounts. Moreover, television viewing among consumers has been negatively impacted by the increasing availability of alternative media, including the Internet. As a result, in recent years demand for television advertising has been declining and demand for advertising in alternative media has been increasing, and we expect this trend to continue. Our ability to access funds under the Nexstar Senior Credit Facility (Nexstar Facility) depends, in part, on our compliance with certain financial covenants in the Nexstar Facility, including covenants based on EBITDA as defined in the Nexstar Facility. If our EBITDA is not sufficient to ensure compliance with these covenants, we might not be able to draw down funds under our revolving credit facility or it might be considered an event of default under the Nexstar Facility.

Disruptions in the capital and credit markets, as have been experienced during 2009 and may continue in 2010, could adversely affect our ability to draw on our bank revolving credit facilities. Our access to funds under the revolving credit facilities is dependent on the ability of the banks that are parties to the facilities to meet their funding commitments. Those banks may not be able to meet their funding commitments to us if they experience shortages of capital and liquidity or if they experience excessive volumes of borrowing requests from us and other borrowers within a short period of time.

Longer term disruptions in the capital and credit markets as a result of uncertainty, changing or increased regulation, reduced alternatives or failures of significant financial institutions could adversely affect our access to liquidity needed for our business. Any disruption could require us to take measures to conserve cash until the markets stabilize or until alternative credit arrangements or other funding for our business needs can be arranged. Such measures could include deferring capital expenditures and other discretionary uses of cash.

*We and Mission have a history of net losses.*

We and Mission had aggregate net losses of \$78.1 million, \$19.8 million and \$9.0 million for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively. We and Mission may not be able to achieve or maintain profitability.

*Our substantial debt could limit our ability to grow and compete.*

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As of September 30, 2009, we and Mission had \$675.6 million of debt, which represented 135.7% of our and Mission's total combined capitalization. The companies' high level of debt could have important consequences to our business. For example, it could:

limit our ability to borrow additional funds or obtain additional financing in the future;

limit our ability to pursue acquisition opportunities;



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expose us to greater interest rate risk since the interest rate on borrowings under the senior credit facilities is variable;

limit our flexibility to plan for and react to changes in our business and our industry; and

impair our ability to withstand a general downturn in our business and place us at a disadvantage compared to our competitors that are less leveraged.

See Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations - Contractual Obligations for disclosure of the approximate aggregate amount of principal indebtedness scheduled to mature.

We and Mission could also incur additional debt in the future. The terms of our and Mission's senior credit facilities, as well as the indentures governing our publicly-held notes, limit, but do not prohibit us or Mission from incurring substantial amounts of additional debt. To the extent we or Mission incur additional debt we would become even more susceptible to the leverage-related risks described above.

*The agreements governing our debt contain various covenants that limit our management's discretion in the operation of our business.*

Our senior credit facility and the indentures governing our publicly-held notes contain various covenants that restrict our ability to, among other things:

incur additional debt and issue preferred stock;

pay dividends and make other distributions;

make investments and other restricted payments;

make acquisitions;

merge, consolidate or transfer all or substantially all of our assets;

enter into sale and leaseback transactions;

create liens;

sell assets or stock of our subsidiaries; and

enter into transactions with affiliates.

In addition, our senior credit facility requires us to maintain or meet certain financial ratios, including consolidated leverage ratios and interest coverage ratios. Future financing agreements may contain similar, or even more restrictive, provisions and covenants. As a result of these restrictions and covenants, our management's ability to operate our business at its discretion is limited, and we may be unable to compete effectively, pursue acquisitions or take advantage of new business opportunities, any of which could harm our business. Mission's senior credit facility contains similar terms and restrictions.

If we fail to comply with the restrictions in present or future financing agreements, a default may occur. A default could allow creditors to accelerate the related debt as well as any other debt to which a cross-acceleration or cross-default provision applies. A default could also allow creditors to foreclose on any collateral securing such debt.

Our senior credit facility agreement contains covenants which require us to comply with certain financial ratios, including: (a) maximum total and senior leverage ratios, (b) a minimum interest coverage ratio, and (c) a minimum fixed charge coverage ratio. The covenants, which are calculated on a quarterly basis, include the combined results of Nexstar Broadcasting and Mission. Mission's senior credit facility agreement does not contain financial covenant ratio requirements; however it does include an event of default if Nexstar does not comply with all covenants contained in its credit agreement. The senior subordinated notes and senior discount notes contain restrictive covenants customary for borrowing arrangements of this type.

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As of September 30, 2009, we were in compliance with all indentures governing the publicly-held notes. As of September 30, 2009, we were not in compliance with all covenants contained in the credit agreements governing our senior credit facility. On October 8, 2009, we amended our credit facility to modify certain covenants. See Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations Recent Developments for a more complete discussion of the credit facility amendment. The October 8, 2009 debt amendment contained a limited waiver for the leverage ratios which cured the violation as of September 30, 2009 contained in the credit agreement governing our senior credit facility.

On March 30, 2009, we closed an offer to exchange \$143,600,000 of the 7% senior subordinated notes due 2014 in exchange for \$142,320,761 7% senior subordinated PIK Notes due 2014 (the PIK Notes). Based on the financial covenants in the senior credit facility, the PIK Notes are not included in the debt amount used to calculate the total leverage ratio until January 2011. In addition to the debt exchange, we have undertaken certain actions as part of our efforts to ensure we will be in compliance with our debt covenants including 1) the elimination of corporate bonuses for 2008 and 2009, 2) the consolidation of various back office processes in certain markets, 3) the execution of a management services agreement whereby Nexstar operates seven stations in exchange for a service fee, 4) the consummation of purchase agreements on March 12, 2009 and May 1, 2009 to acquire all the assets of KARZ and WCWJ, respectively, 5) the October 8, 2009 amendment to the senior credit facility, which modified certain covenants and 6) obtaining the limited waiver of the leverage ratios as of September 30, 2009, in conjunction with the credit amendment.

***The industry-wide mandatory conversion to digital television could have an adverse impact on our business, as certain viewers that do not upgrade their technology to be able to receive digital signals could no longer be able to view our programming.***

Television stations in the U.S. transitioned from analog to digital broadcasts and had to phase-out analog broadcasting altogether by June 12, 2009. All of our and Mission's stations are broadcasting with digital only signals. TV viewers who receive their signals over-the-air (instead of through multichannel video program distributors, which we refer to as MVPDs, such as cable, satellite, or fiber optic service) and who have older, analog-only television receivers, had to obtain digital-to-analog converters (or new digital televisions) and perhaps new antennas in order to continue watching television after June 12, 2009. The federal government established a program to provide eligible TV viewers with coupons to cover the expense of purchasing digital-to-analog converters (but not new antennas). However, due to technological differences in the way digital as compared to analog TV signals are received, it is possible that some viewers who received adequate analog signals over-the-air are not able to receive usable digital signals (even with digital-to-analog converters and new antennas) and, therefore, are not able to watch some or all of the stations they have been watching (unless they subscribe to an MVPD service).

***Mission may make decisions regarding the operation of its stations that could reduce the amount of cash we receive under our local service agreements.***

Mission is 100% owned by an independent third party. Mission owns and operates 16 television stations as of September 30, 2009. We have entered into local service agreements with Mission, pursuant to which we provide services to Mission's stations. In return for the services we provide, we receive substantially all of the available cash, after payment of debt service costs, generated by Mission's stations. We also guarantee all of the obligations incurred under Mission's senior credit facility, which were incurred primarily in connection with Mission's acquisition of its stations. The sole shareholder of Mission has granted to us a purchase option to acquire the assets and assume the liabilities of each Mission station, subject to FCC consent, for consideration equal to the greater of (1) seven times the station's cash flow, as defined in the option agreement, less the amount of its indebtedness as defined in the option agreement or (2) the amount of its indebtedness.

We do not own Mission or Mission's television stations. However, as a result of our guarantee of the obligations incurred under Mission's senior credit facility, our arrangements under the local service agreements



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and purchase option agreements with Mission, we are deemed under U.S. GAAP to have a controlling financial interest in Mission while complying with the FCC's rules regarding ownership limits in television markets. In order for both us and Mission to comply with FCC regulations, Mission maintains complete responsibility for and control over the programming, finances, personnel and operations of its stations. As a result, Mission's sole shareholder and officers can make decisions with which we disagree and which could reduce the cash flow generated by these stations and, as a consequence, the amounts we receive under our local service agreements with Mission. For instance, we may disagree with Mission's programming decisions, which programming may prove unpopular and/or may generate less advertising revenue. Furthermore, subject to Mission's agreement with its lenders, Mission's sole shareholder could choose to pay himself a dividend.

*The revenue generated by stations we operate or provide services to could decline substantially if they fail to maintain or renew their network affiliation agreements on favorable terms, or at all.*

Due to the quality of the programming provided by the networks, stations that are affiliated with a network generally have higher ratings than unaffiliated independent stations in the same market. As a result, it is important for stations to maintain their network affiliations. All of the stations that we operate or provide services to have network affiliation agreements—12 stations have primary affiliation agreements with NBC, 11 with CBS, 9 with ABC, 15 with Fox, 7 with MyNetworkTV, 4 with The CW and 1 with Azteca America. Each of NBC, CBS and ABC generally provides affiliated stations with up to 22 hours of prime time programming per week, while each of Fox, MyNetworkTV and The CW provides affiliated stations with up to 15 hours of prime time programming per week. In return, affiliated stations broadcast the respective network's commercials during the network programming. Under the affiliation agreements with NBC, CBS and ABC, some of the stations we operate or provide services to also receive compensation from these networks.

All of the network affiliation agreements of the stations that we own, operate, program or provide sales and other services to are scheduled to expire at various times beginning in June 2010 through August 2017.

Network affiliation agreements are also subject to earlier termination by the networks under limited circumstances. For more information regarding these network affiliation agreements, see [Business Network Affiliations](#).

*The loss of or material reduction in retransmission consent revenues could have an adverse effect on our business, financial condition, and results of operations.*

Nexstar's retransmission consent agreements with cable operators, direct broadcast satellite operators, and others permit the operators to carry our stations' signals in exchange for the payment of compensation to us from the system operators as consideration. The television networks have recently asserted to their local television station affiliates the networks' position that they, as the owners or licensees of programming we broadcast and provide for retransmission, are entitled to a portion of the compensation under the retransmission consent agreements. Networks have proposed to include these provisions in their network affiliation agreements. Inclusion of these or similar provisions in our network affiliation agreements could materially reduce this revenue source to Nexstar and could have an adverse effect on our business, financial condition, and results of operations.

*The FCC could decide not to grant renewal of the FCC license of any of the stations we operate or provide services to which would require that station to cease operations.*

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Television broadcast licenses are granted for a maximum term of eight years and are subject to renewal upon application to the FCC. The FCC is required to grant an application for license renewal if, during the preceding term, the station served the public interest, the licensee did not commit any serious violations of the Communications Act or the FCC's rules, and the licensee committed no other violations of the Communications Act or the FCC's rules which, taken together, would constitute a pattern of abuse. A majority of renewal

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applications are routinely granted under this standard. If a licensee fails to meet this standard the FCC may still grant renewal on terms and conditions that it deems appropriate, including a monetary forfeiture or renewal for a term less than the normal eight-year period.

On October 26, 2005, the Director of the Central Illinois Chapter of the Parents Television Council ( PTC ) submitted an informal objection to the application for renewal of license for Nexstar's station WCIA in Champaign, Illinois, requesting the FCC withhold action on WCIA's license renewal application until the FCC acts on the PTC's complaint regarding an allegedly indecent broadcast on WCIA.

On January 3, 2006, Cable America Corporation submitted a petition to deny the applications for renewal of license for Nexstar's station KSFY and Mission's station KOLR, both licensed to Springfield, Missouri. Cable America alleged that Nexstar's local service agreements with Mission give Nexstar improper control over Mission's operations. Nexstar and Mission submitted a joint opposition to this petition to deny and Cable America submitted a reply. Cable America subsequently requested that the FCC dismiss its petition. However, the petition remains pending with the FCC.

Nexstar and Mission began to submit renewal of license applications for their stations beginning in June 2004. We and Mission expect the FCC to renew the licenses for our stations in due course but cannot provide any assurances that the FCC will do so.

*The loss of the services of our chief executive officer could disrupt management of our business and impair the execution of our business strategies.*

We believe that our success depends upon our ability to retain the services of Perry A. Sook, our founder and President and Chief Executive Officer. Mr. Sook has been instrumental in determining our strategic direction and focus. The loss of Mr. Sook's services could adversely affect our ability to manage effectively our overall operations and successfully execute current or future business strategies.

*Our growth may be limited if we are unable to implement our acquisition strategy.*

We intend to continue our growth by selectively pursuing acquisitions of television stations. The television broadcast industry is undergoing consolidation, which may reduce the number of acquisition targets and increase the purchase price of future acquisitions. Some of our competitors may have greater financial or management resources with which to pursue acquisition targets. Therefore, even if we are successful in identifying attractive acquisition targets, we may face considerable competition and our acquisition strategy may not be successful. On October 8, 2009, we amended our credit facility and the amendment also specifically restricts our ability to pursue our acquisition strategy.

FCC rules and policies may also make it more difficult for us to acquire additional television stations. Television station acquisitions are subject to the approval of the FCC and, potentially, other regulatory authorities. The need for FCC and other regulatory approvals could restrict our ability to consummate future transactions if, for example, the FCC or other government agencies believe that a proposed transaction would result in excessive concentration in a market, even if the proposed combinations may otherwise comply with FCC ownership limitations.

*Growing our business through acquisitions involves risks and if we are unable to manage effectively our rapid growth, our operating results will suffer.*

We have experienced rapid growth. Since January 1, 2003, we have more than doubled the number of stations that we own, operate, program or provide sales and other services to, having acquired 20 stations and contracted to provide service to 17 additional stations. We will continue to actively pursue additional acquisition opportunities. To manage effectively our growth and address the increased reporting requirements and administrative demands that will result from future acquisitions, we will need, among other things, to continue to develop our financial and management controls and management information systems. We will also need to continue to identify, attract and retain highly skilled finance and management personnel. Failure to do any of these tasks in an efficient and timely manner could seriously harm our business.



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There are other risks associated with growing our business through acquisitions. For example, with any past or future acquisition, there is the possibility that:

we may not be able to successfully reduce costs, increase advertising revenue or audience share or realize anticipated synergies and economies of scale with respect to any acquired station;

an acquisition may increase our leverage and debt service requirements or may result in our assuming unexpected liabilities;

our management may be reassigned from overseeing existing operations by the need to integrate the acquired business;

we may experience difficulties integrating operations and systems, as well as company policies and cultures;

we may fail to retain and assimilate employees of the acquired business; and

problems may arise in entering new markets in which we have little or no experience.

The occurrence of any of these events could have a material adverse effect on our operating results, particularly during the period immediately following any acquisition.

***FCC actions may restrict our ability to create duopolies under local service agreements, which would harm our existing operations and impair our acquisition strategy.***

In some of our markets, we have created duopolies by entering into what we refer to as local service agreements. While these agreements take varying forms, a typical local service agreement is an agreement between two separately owned television stations serving the same market, whereby the owner of one station provides operational assistance to the other station, subject to ultimate editorial and other controls being exercised by the latter station's owner. By operating or entering into local service agreements with more than one station in a market, we (and the other station) achieve significant operational efficiencies. We also broaden our audience reach and enhance our ability to capture more advertising spending in a given market.

While all of our existing local service agreements comply with FCC rules and policies, the FCC may not continue to permit local service agreements as a means of creating duopoly-type opportunities.

On August 2, 2004, the FCC initiated a rule making proceeding to determine whether to make TV joint sales agreements attributable under its ownership rules. Comments and reply comments were filed in this proceeding in the fourth quarter of 2004. The FCC has not yet issued a decision in this proceeding. However, if the FCC adopts a joint sales agreement attribution rule for television stations we will be required to comply with the rule.

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Cable America Corporation and an affiliate of Equity separately have alleged that our local service agreements with Mission give Nexstar improper control over Mission's operations. If the FCC challenges our existing arrangements with Mission (or our similar arrangements with Sinclair Broadcasting Group, Inc. (Sinclair)) based on these complaints and determines that our arrangements violate the FCC's rules and policies, we may be required to terminate such arrangements and we could be subject to sanctions, fines and/or other penalties.

*The FCC may decide to terminate grandfathered time brokerage agreements.*

The FCC attributes time brokerage agreements and local marketing agreements (TBAs) to the programmer under its ownership limits if the programmer provides more than 15% of a station's weekly broadcast programming. However, TBAs entered into prior to November 5, 1996 are exempt attributable interests for now.

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The FCC will review these grandfathered TBAs in the future. During this review, the FCC may determine to terminate the grandfathered period and make all TBAs fully attributable to the programmer. If the FCC does so, we and Mission will be required to terminate the TBAs for stations WFXP and KHMT unless the FCC simultaneously changes its duopoly rules to allow ownership of two stations in the applicable markets.

*The FCC may fail to grant a construction permit for KMID's digital facilities.*

On December 8, 2008, Nexstar submitted an application to modify the construction permit to specify a new broadcast tower for KMID's digital operations. The FCC requested further information regarding this application, which Nexstar submitted on September 8, 2009. The FCC has not yet granted KMID's digital authorization; however, the FCC has granted KMID a special temporary authorization for the continued operation of KMID's digital facilities during the pendency of its review. We believe the FCC will likely grant KMID's digital authorization in the normal course. However, if the FCC ultimately denies KMID's amended application, Nexstar will be required to cease operating KMID's digital facilities.

*The level of foreign investments held by our principal stockholder, ABRY Partners, LLC and its affiliated funds ( ABRY ), may limit additional foreign investments made in us.*

The Communications Act limits the extent of non-U.S. ownership of companies that own U.S. broadcast stations. Under this restriction, a U.S. broadcast company such as ours may have no more than 25% non-U.S. ownership (by vote and by equity). Because our majority shareholder, ABRY has a substantial level of foreign investment, the amount of additional foreign investment that may be made in us is limited to approximately 12% of our total outstanding equity.

*The interest of our principal stockholder, ABRY, in other media may limit our ability to acquire television stations in particular markets, restricting our ability to execute our acquisition strategy.*

The number of television stations we may acquire in any market is limited by FCC rules and may vary depending upon whether the interests in other television stations or other media properties of persons affiliated with us are attributable under FCC rules. The broadcast or other media interest of our officers, directors and stockholders with 5% or greater voting power are generally attributable under the FCC's rules, which may limit us from acquiring or owning television stations in particular markets while those officers, directors or stockholders are associated with us. In addition, the holder of otherwise non-attributable equity and/or debt in a licensee in excess of 33% of the total debt and equity of the licensee will be attributable where the holder is either a major program supplier to that licensee or the holder has an attributable interest in another broadcast station, cable system or daily newspaper in the same market.

ABRY, our principal stockholder, is one of the largest private firms specializing in media and broadcasting investments. As a result of ABRY's interest in us, we could be prevented from acquiring broadcast companies in markets where ABRY has an attributable interest in television stations or other media, which could impair our ability to execute our acquisition strategy. Our certificate of incorporation allows ABRY and its affiliates to identify, pursue and consummate additional acquisitions of television stations or other broadcast-related businesses that may be complementary to our business and therefore such acquisitions opportunities may not be available to us.

*We are controlled by one principal stockholder, ABRY, and its interests may differ from your interests.*

As a result of ABRY's controlling interest in us, ABRY is able to exercise a controlling influence over our business and affairs. ABRY is able to unilaterally determine the outcome of any matter submitted to a vote of our stockholders, including the election and removal of directors and the approval of any merger, consolidation or sale of all or substantially all of our assets. In addition, five of our directors are or were affiliated with ABRY. ABRY's interests may differ from the interests of other security holders and ABRY could take actions or make

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decisions that are not in the best interests of our security holders. Furthermore, this concentration of ownership by ABRY may have the effect of impeding a merger, consolidation, takeover or other business combination involving us or discouraging a potential acquirer from making a tender offer for our shares.

*Our certificate of incorporation, bylaws, debt instruments and Delaware law contain anti-takeover protections that may discourage or prevent a takeover of us, even if an acquisition would be beneficial to our stockholders.*

Provisions of our certificate of incorporation and bylaws, as well as provisions of the Delaware General Corporation Law, could delay or make it more difficult to remove incumbent directors or for a third party to acquire us, even if a takeover would benefit our stockholders. The provisions in our certificate of incorporation and bylaws:

authorize the issuance of blank check preferred stock by our board of directors without a stockholder vote;

do not permit cumulative voting in the election of directors, which would otherwise allow less than a majority of stockholders to elect director candidates; and

set forth specific advance notice procedures for matters to be raised at stockholder meetings.

The Delaware General Corporation Law prohibits us from engaging in business combinations with interested shareholders (with some exceptions) unless such transaction is approved in a prescribed manner. The existence of this provision could have an anti-takeover effect with respect to transactions not approved in advance by the board of directors, including discouraging attempts that might result in a premium over the market price for our common stock.

In addition, a change in control would be an event of default under our senior credit facility and trigger the rights of holders of our publicly-traded notes to cause us to repurchase such notes. These events would add to the cost of an acquisition, which could deter a third party from acquiring us.

*We and Mission have a material amount of goodwill and intangible assets, and therefore we and Mission could suffer losses due to future asset impairment charges.*

As of December 31, 2008, approximately \$390.5 million, or 62.3%, of our and Mission's combined total assets consisted of goodwill and intangible assets, including FCC licenses and network affiliation agreements. We recorded an impairment charge of \$82.4 million during the year ended December 31, 2008 that included an impairment to the carrying value of FCC licenses of \$41.4 million, related to 20 of our television stations; an impairment to the carrying value of network affiliation agreements of \$2.1 million related to 3 of our television stations; and an impairment to the carrying values of goodwill of \$38.9 million, related to 10 reporting units consisting of 11 of our television stations. We recorded an impairment charge of \$16.2 million during the third quarter of 2009 that included an impairment to the carrying values of FCC licenses of \$8.8 million, related to 19 of our stations and an impairment to the carrying values of goodwill of \$7.4 million, related to four reporting units consisting of five of our television stations. We and Mission test goodwill and FCC licenses annually, and on an interim date if factors or indicators become apparent that would require an interim test of these assets, in accordance with accounting and disclosure requirements for goodwill and other intangible assets. We and Mission test network affiliation agreements whenever circumstances or indicators become apparent the asset may not be recoverable through expected future cash flows. The methods used to evaluate the impairment of Nexstar's

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and Mission's goodwill and intangible assets would be affected by a significant reduction in operating results or cash flows at one or more of Nexstar's and Mission's television stations, or a forecast of such reductions, a significant adverse change in the advertising marketplaces in which Nexstar's and Mission's television stations operate, the loss of network affiliations, or by adverse changes to FCC ownership rules, among others, which may be beyond our or Mission's control. If the carrying amount of goodwill and intangible assets is revised downward due to impairment, such non-cash charge could materially affect Nexstar's and Mission's financial position and results of operations.

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### **Risks Related to Our Industry**

*Nexstar's operating results are dependent on advertising revenue and as a result, Nexstar may be more vulnerable to economic downturns and other factors beyond Nexstar's control than businesses not dependent on advertising.*

Nexstar derives revenue primarily from the sale of advertising time. Nexstar's ability to sell advertising time depends on numerous factors that may be beyond Nexstar's control, including:

the health of the economy in the local markets where our stations are located and in the nation as a whole;

the popularity of our programming;

fluctuations in pricing for local and national advertising;

the activities of our competitors, including increased competition from other forms of advertising-based media, particularly newspapers, cable television, Internet and radio;

the decreased demand for political advertising in non-election years; and

changes in the makeup of the population in the areas where our stations are located.

Because businesses generally reduce their advertising budgets during economic recessions or downturns, the reliance upon advertising revenue makes Nexstar's operating results particularly susceptible to prevailing economic conditions. Our programming may not attract sufficient targeted viewership, and we may not achieve favorable ratings. Our ratings depend partly upon unpredictable and volatile factors beyond our control, such as viewer preferences, competing programming and the availability of other entertainment activities. A shift in viewer preferences could cause our programming not to gain popularity or to decline in popularity, which could cause our advertising revenue to decline. In addition, we and the programming providers upon which we rely may not be able to anticipate, and effectively react to, shifts in viewer tastes and interests in our markets.

*Because a high percentage of our operating expenses are fixed, a relatively small decrease in advertising revenue could have a significant negative impact on our financial results.*

Our business is characterized generally by high fixed costs, primarily for debt service, broadcast rights and personnel. Other than commissions paid to our sales staff and outside sales agencies, our expenses do not vary significantly with the increase or decrease in advertising revenue. As a result, a relatively small change in advertising prices could have a disproportionate effect on our financial results. Accordingly, a minor shortfall in expected revenue could have a significant negative impact on our financial results.

*Preemption of regularly scheduled programming by network news coverage may affect our revenue and results of operations.*

Nexstar may experience a loss of advertising revenue and incur additional broadcasting expenses due to preemption of our regularly scheduled programming by network coverage of a major global news event such as a war or terrorist attack. As a result, advertising may not be aired and the revenue for such advertising may be lost unless the station is able to run the advertising at agreed-upon times in the future. Advertisers may not agree to run such advertising in future time periods, and space may not be available for such advertising. The duration of such preemption of local programming cannot be predicted if it occurs. In addition, our stations and the stations we provide services to may incur additional expenses as a result of expanded news coverage of a war or terrorist attack. The loss of revenue and increased expenses could negatively affect our results of operations.

*If we are unable to respond to changes in technology and evolving industry trends, our television businesses may not be able to compete effectively.*

New technologies could also adversely affect our television stations. Information delivery and programming alternatives such as cable, direct satellite-to-home services, pay-per-view, the Internet, telephone company services, mobile devices, digital video recorders and home video and entertainment systems have fractionalized



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television viewing audiences and expanded the numbers and types of distribution channels for advertisers to access. Over the past decade, cable television programming services, other emerging video distribution platforms and the Internet have captured an increasing market share, while the aggregate viewership of the major television networks has declined. In addition, the expansion of cable and satellite television, the Internet and other technological changes have increased, and may continue to increase, the competitive demand for programming. Such increased demand, together with rising production costs, may increase our programming costs or impair our ability to acquire or develop desired programming.

In addition, video compression techniques, now in use with direct broadcast satellites, cable and wireless cable, are expected to permit greater numbers of channels to be carried within existing bandwidth. These compression techniques as well as other technological developments are applicable to all video delivery systems, including over-the-air broadcasting, and have the potential to provide vastly expanded programming to targeted audiences. Reduction in the cost of creating additional channel capacity could lower entry barriers for new channels and encourage the development of increasingly specialized niche programming, resulting in more audience fractionalization. This ability to reach very narrowly defined audiences may alter the competitive dynamics for advertising expenditures. We are unable to predict the effect that these and other technological changes will have on the television industry or on the future results of our television businesses.

***If direct broadcast satellite companies do not carry the stations that we own and operate or provide services to, we could lose audience share and revenue.***

Direct broadcast satellite television companies are permitted to transmit local broadcast television signals to subscribers in local markets provided that they offer to carry all local stations in that market. However, satellite providers have limited satellite capacity to deliver local station signals in local markets. Satellite providers, such as DirecTV and Dish Network, carry our and Mission's stations in only some of our markets and may choose not to carry local stations in any of our other markets. DirecTV currently provides satellite carriage of our and Mission's stations in the Champaign-Springfield-Decatur, Evansville, Ft. Smith-Fayetteville-Springdale-Rogers, Ft. Wayne, Jacksonville, Johnstown-Altoona, Little Rock-Pine Bluff, Peoria-Bloomington, Rochester, Rockford, Shreveport, Springfield and Wilkes Barre-Scranton markets. Dish Network currently provides satellite carriage of our and Mission's stations in the Abilene-Sweetwater, Amarillo, Beaumont-Port Arthur, Billings, Champaign-Springfield-Decatur, Dothan, Erie, Evansville, Fort Wayne, Ft. Smith-Fayetteville-Springdale-Rogers, Hagerstown, Jacksonville, Johnstown-Altoona, Joplin, MO-Pittsburg, KS, Little Rock-Pine Bluff, Lubbock, Monroe, LA-El Dorado, AR, Odessa-Midland, Peoria-Bloomington, Rochester, Rockford, San Angelo, Shreveport, Springfield, Terre Haute, Wichita Falls, TX-Lawton, OK and Wilkes Barre-Scranton markets. In those markets in which the satellite providers do not carry local station signals, subscribers to those satellite services are unable to view local stations without making further arrangements, such as installing antennas and switches. Furthermore, when direct broadcast satellite companies do carry local television stations in a market, they are permitted to charge subscribers extra for such service. Some subscribers may choose not to pay extra to receive local television stations. In the event subscribers to satellite services do not receive the stations that we own and operate or provide services to, we could lose audience share which would adversely affect our revenue and earnings.

***The FCC can sanction us for programming broadcast on our stations which it finds to be indecent.***

In 2004, the FCC began to impose substantial fines on television broadcasters for the broadcast of indecent material in violation of the Communications Act and its rules. The FCC also revised its indecency review analysis to more strictly prohibit the use of certain language on broadcast television. Because our and Mission's stations' programming is in large part comprised of programming provided by the networks with which the stations are affiliated, we and Mission do not have full control over what is broadcast on our stations, and we and Mission may be subject to the imposition of fines if the FCC finds such programming to be indecent.

In addition, fines may be imposed on a television broadcaster for an indecency violation to a maximum of \$325 thousand per violation.



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### ***Intense competition in the television industry could limit our growth and impair our ability to become profitable.***

As a television broadcasting company, we face a significant level of competition, both directly and indirectly. Generally we compete for our audience against all the other leisure activities in which one could choose to engage rather than watch television. Specifically, stations we own or provide services to compete for audience share, programming and advertising revenue with other television stations in their respective markets and with other advertising media, including newspapers, radio stations, cable television, DBS systems and the Internet.

The entertainment and television industries are highly competitive and are undergoing a period of consolidation. Many of our current and potential competitors have greater financial, marketing, programming and broadcasting resources than we do. The markets in which we operate are also in a constant state of change arising from, among other things, technological improvements and economic and regulatory developments. Technological innovation and the resulting proliferation of television entertainment, such as cable television, wireless cable, satellite-to-home distribution services, pay-per-view and home video and entertainment systems, have fractionalized television viewing audiences and have subjected free over-the-air television broadcast stations to increased competition. We may not be able to compete effectively or adjust our business plans to meet changing market conditions. We are unable to predict what form of competition will develop in the future, the extent of the competition or its possible effects on our businesses.

### ***The FCC could implement legislation and/or regulations that might have a significant impact on the operations of the stations we own and the stations we provide services to or the television broadcasting industry as a whole.***

The FCC has initiated proceedings to determine whether to make TV joint sales agreements attributable interests under its ownership rules; to determine whether it should establish formal rules under which broadcasters will be required to serve the local public interest; and to determine whether to modify or eliminate certain of its broadcast ownership rules, including the radio-television cross-ownership rule and the newspaper-television cross-ownership rule. A change to any of these rules may have significant impact on us and the stations we provide services to.

In addition, the FCC may decide to initiate other new rule making proceedings on its own or in response to requests from outside parties, any of which might have such an impact. Congress also may act to amend the Communications Act in a manner that could impact our stations and the stations we provide services to or the television broadcast industry in general.

### ***The FCC may reallocate some portion of the spectrum available for use by television broadcasters to wireless broadband use which alteration could substantially impact our future operations and may reduce viewer access to our programming.***

The FCC has initiated a proceeding to assess the availability of spectrum to meet future wireless broadband needs pursuant to which the FCC is examining whether some portion of the spectrum currently used for commercial broadcast television can be made available for wireless broadband use. The FCC has proposed requiring television stations to co-locate their antennas and/or reducing the amount of spectrum allocated to each television station from 6 megahertz to 3 megahertz. If the FCC determines to move forward with reducing the spectrum available to television broadcasters for their use, it may render our investment in digital facilities worthless and consequently reduce the useful lives of certain digital equipment, could require substantial additional investment to continue our operations, and may require viewers to invest in additional equipment or subscription services to continue receiving broadcast television signals.



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**MARKET AND INDUSTRY DATA**

Some of the market and industry data contained in this prospectus are based on independent industry publications or other publicly available information, while other information is based on internal studies. Although we believe that these independent sources and our internal data are reliable as of their respective dates, the information contained in them has not been independently verified, and we cannot assure you as to the accuracy or completeness of this information. As a result, you should be aware that the market and industry data contained in this prospectus, and beliefs and estimates based on such data, may not be reliable.

In the context of describing ownership of television stations in a particular market, the term "duopoly" refers to owning or deriving the economic benefit, through local service agreements, or LSAs, including joint sales agreements, time brokerage agreements and shared services agreements, from two or more stations in a particular market. For more information on how we derive economic benefit from a duopoly, see "Business" and "Prospectus Summary Relationship with Mission" in this prospectus.

There are 210 generally recognized television markets, known as Designated Market Areas, or DMAs, in the United States. DMAs are ranked in size according to various factors based upon actual or potential audience. DMA rankings contained in this prospectus are from the *Investing in Television Market Report 2008 4th Edition*, as published by BIA Financial Network, Inc. Industry publications generally state that the information they provide has been obtained from other sources believed to be reliable, but the accuracy and completeness of such information is not guaranteed. We have not independently verified any of this information and therefore we also cannot guarantee the accuracy and completeness of such information. The industry forecasts we provide in this prospectus, particularly the television industry's annual growth rate in revenue for each of our markets, are subject to numerous risks and uncertainties and actual results could be different from such predictions, perhaps significantly. Industry forecasts are also based on assumptions that events, trends and activities will occur. We have not independently verified the information and assumptions used in making these forecasts and, if the information and assumptions turn out to be wrong, then the forecasts will most likely be wrong as well.

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**FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS**

This prospectus contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 as amended and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 as amended. All statements other than statements of historical fact are forward-looking statements for purposes of federal and state securities laws, including: any projections or expectations of earnings, revenue, financial performance, liquidity and capital resources or other financial items; any assumptions or projections about the television broadcasting industry, any statements of our plans, strategies and objectives for our future operations, performance, liquidity and capital resources or other financial items; any statements concerning proposed new products, services or developments; any statements regarding future economic conditions or performance; any statements of belief; and any statements of assumptions underlying any of the foregoing. Forward-looking statements may include the words may, will, should, could, would, predicts, potential, continue, expects, anticipates, future, intends, p and other similar words.

Although we believe that the expectations reflected in any of our forward-looking statements are reasonable, actual results could differ from a projection or assumption in any of our forward-looking statements. Our future financial position and results of operations, as well as any forward-looking statements, are subject to change and inherent risks and uncertainties discussed at greater length in the Risk Factors beginning on page 8 and in our other filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission ( SEC ). The forward-looking statements made in this prospectus are made only as of the date hereof, and we do not have or undertake any obligation to update any forward-looking statements to reflect subsequent events or circumstances unless otherwise required by law.

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**USE OF PROCEEDS**

This exchange offer is intended to satisfy our obligations under the registration rights agreement dated as of June 30, 2008. We will not receive any cash proceeds from the issuance of the New Notes. In consideration for issuing the New Notes contemplated in this prospectus, we will receive outstanding securities in like principal amount, the form and terms of which are the same as the form and terms of the New Notes, except as otherwise described in this prospectus. The Old Notes surrendered in exchange for New Notes will be retired and canceled. Accordingly, no additional debt will result from the exchange. We have agreed to bear the expense of the exchange offer.

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**THE EXCHANGE OFFER**

**Terms Of The Exchange Offer; Period For Tendering Outstanding Old Notes**

We will accept any validly tendered Old Notes that you do not withdraw before 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date. We will issue \$1,000 of principal amount of New Notes in exchange for each \$1,000 principal amount of your outstanding Old Notes. You may tender some or all of your Old Notes in the exchange offer.

The form and terms of the New Notes are the same as the form and terms of the outstanding Old Notes except that:

- (1) the New Notes being issued in the exchange offer will be registered under the Securities Act and will not have legends restricting their transfer;
- (2) the New Notes being issued in the exchange offer will not contain the registration rights and liquidated damages provisions contained in the outstanding Old Notes; and
- (3) interest on the New Notes will accrue from the last interest date on which interest was paid on your Old Notes.

Outstanding Old Notes that we accept for exchange will not accrue interest after we complete the exchange offer.

The exchange offer will expire at 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on February 3, 2010, unless we extend it. If we extend the exchange offer, we will issue a notice by press release or other public announcement before 9:00 a.m., New York City time, on the next business day after the previously scheduled expiration date.

We reserve the right, in our sole discretion:

- (1) to extend the exchange offer;
- (2) to terminate the exchange offer and not accept any Old Notes for exchange if any of the conditions have not been satisfied; or



(3) to amend the exchange offer in any manner provided, however, that if we amend the exchange offer to make a material change, including the waiver of a material condition, we will extend the exchange offer, if necessary to keep the exchange offer open for at least five business days after such amendment or waiver.

We will promptly give written notice of any extension, delay, non-acceptance, termination or amendment. We will also file a post-effective amendment with the Commission if we amend the terms of the exchange offer.

If we extend the exchange offer, Old Notes that you have previously tendered will still be subject to the exchange offer and we may accept them. We will promptly return your Old Notes if we do not accept them for exchange for any reason without expense to you after the exchange offer expires or terminates.

#### **Procedures For Tendering Old Notes Held Through Brokers And Banks**

Since the Old Notes are represented by global book-entry notes, The Depository Trust Company or DTC, as depository, or its nominee is treated as the registered holder of the notes and will be the only entity that can tender your Old Notes for New Notes. Therefore, to tender notes subject to this exchange offer and to obtain New Notes, you must instruct the institution where you keep your Old Notes to tender your notes on your behalf so that they are received on or prior to the expiration of this exchange offer.

The BLUE-colored Letter of Election and Instructions to Broker or Bank that may accompany this prospectus may be used by you to give such instructions. **YOU SHOULD CONSULT YOUR ACCOUNT REPRESENTATIVE AT THE BROKER OR BANK WHERE YOU KEEP YOUR NOTES TO DETERMINE THE PREFERRED PROCEDURE.**

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**IF YOU WISH TO ACCEPT THIS EXCHANGE OFFER, PLEASE INSTRUCT YOUR BROKER OR ACCOUNT REPRESENTATIVE IN TIME FOR YOUR OLD NOTES TO BE TENDERED BEFORE THE 5:00 PM (NEW YORK CITY TIME) DEADLINE ON FEBRUARY 3, 2010.**

You may tender some or all of your Old Notes in this exchange offer. However, notes may be tendered only in integral multiples of \$1,000.

When you tender your outstanding Old Notes and we accept them, the tender will be a binding agreement between you and us in accordance with the terms and conditions in this prospectus.

The method of delivery of outstanding Old Notes and all other required documents to the exchange agent is at your election and risk.

We will decide all questions about the validity, form, eligibility, acceptance and withdrawal of tendered Old Notes, and our determination will be final and binding on you. We reserve the absolute right to:

- (1) reject any and all tenders of any particular note not properly tendered;
- (2) refuse to accept any Old Note if, in our judgment or the judgment of our counsel, the acceptance would be unlawful; and
- (3) waive any defects or irregularities or conditions of the exchange offer as to any particular Old Note before the expiration of the offer.

Our interpretation of the terms and conditions of the exchange offer will be final and binding on all parties. You must cure any defects or irregularities in connection with tenders of Old Notes as we will determine. We, the exchange agent nor any other person will incur any liability for failure to notify you of any defect or irregularity with respect to your tender of Old Notes. If we waive any terms or conditions pursuant to (3) above with respect to a noteholder, we will extend the same waiver to all noteholders with respect to that term or condition being waived.

**Deemed Representations**

To participate in the exchange offer, we require that you represent to us that:

- (1) you or any other person acquiring New Notes for your outstanding Old Notes in the exchange offer is acquiring them in the ordinary course of business;

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(2) neither you nor any other person acquiring New Notes in exchange for your outstanding Old Notes is engaging in or intends to engage in a distribution of the New Notes issued in the exchange offer;

(3) neither you nor any other person acquiring New Notes in exchange for your outstanding Old Notes has an arrangement or understanding with any person to participate in the distribution of New Notes issued in the exchange offer;

(4) neither you nor any other person acquiring New Notes in exchange for your outstanding Old Notes is our affiliate as defined under Rule 405 of the Securities Act; and

(5) if you or another person acquiring New Notes for your outstanding Old Notes is a broker-dealer, and acquired the Old Notes as a result of market-making activities or other trading activities, and you acknowledge that you will deliver a prospectus meeting the requirements of the Securities Act in connection with any resale of your New Notes.

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### **By Tendering Your Old Notes You Are Deemed To Have Made These Representations**

Broker-dealers who cannot make the representations in item (5) of the paragraph above cannot use this exchange offer prospectus in connection with resales of the New Notes issued in the exchange offer.

If you are our affiliate, as defined under Rule 405 of the Securities Act, you are a broker-dealer who acquired your outstanding Old Notes in the initial offering and not as a result of market-making or trading activities, or if you are engaged in or intend to engage in or have an arrangement or understanding with any person to participate in a distribution of New Notes acquired in the exchange offer, you or that person:

(1) may not rely on the applicable interpretations of the staff of the Commission and therefore may not participate in the exchange offer; and

(2) must comply with the registration and prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act or an exemption therefrom when reselling the Old Notes.

### **Procedures For Brokers And Custodian Banks; DTC Account**

In order to accept this exchange offer on behalf of a holder of Old Notes you must submit or cause your DTC participant to submit an Agent's Message as described below.

The exchange agent, on our behalf, will seek to establish an Automated Tender Offer Program ( ATOP ) account with respect to the outstanding notes at DTC promptly after the delivery of this prospectus. Any financial institution that is a DTC participant, including your broker or bank, may make book-entry tender of outstanding Old Notes by causing the book-entry transfer of such notes into our ATOP account in accordance with DTC's procedures for such transfers. Concurrently with the delivery of Old Notes, an Agent's Message in connection with such book-entry transfer must be transmitted by DTC to, and received by, the exchange agent on or prior to 5:00 p.m., New York City Time on the expiration date. The confirmation of a book-entry transfer into the ATOP account as described above is referred to herein as a Book-Entry Confirmation.

The term Agent's Message means a message transmitted by the DTC participants to DTC, and thereafter transmitted by DTC to the exchange agent, forming a part of the Book-Entry Confirmation which states that DTC has received an express acknowledgment from the participant in DTC described in such Agent's Message stating that such participant and beneficial holder agree to be bound by the terms of this exchange offer.

Each Agent's Message must include the following information:

(1) Name of the beneficial owner tendering such notes;

(2) Account number of the beneficial owner tendering such notes; and

(3) Principal amount of notes tendered by such beneficial owner.

**BY SENDING AN AGENT'S MESSAGE THE DTC PARTICIPANT IS DEEMED TO HAVE CERTIFIED THAT THE BENEFICIAL HOLDER FOR WHOM NOTES ARE BEING TENDERED HAS BEEN PROVIDED WITH A COPY OF THIS PROSPECTUS.**

The delivery of notes through DTC, and any transmission of an Agent's Message through ATOP, is at the election and risk of the person tendering notes. We will ask the exchange agent to instruct DTC to return those Old Notes, if any, that were tendered through ATOP but were not accepted by us, to the DTC participant that tendered such notes on behalf of holders of the notes. Neither we nor the exchange agent is responsible or liable for the return of such notes to the tendering DTC participants or to their owners, nor as to the time by which such return is completed.

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### **Acceptance Of Outstanding Old Notes For Exchange; Delivery Of New Notes Issued In The Exchange Offer**

We will accept validly tendered Old Notes when the conditions to the exchange offer have been satisfied or we have waived them. We will have accepted your validly tendered Old Notes when we have given oral or written notice to the exchange agent. The exchange agent will act as agent for the tendering holders for the purpose of receiving the New Notes from us. If we do not accept any tendered Old Notes for exchange because of an invalid tender or other valid reason, the exchange agent will return the certificates, without expense, to the tendering holder. If a holder has tendered Old Notes by book-entry transfer, we will credit the notes to an account maintained with The Depository Trust Company. We will credit the account at The Depository Trust Company promptly after the exchange offer terminates or expires.

**THE AGENT'S MESSAGE MUST BE TRANSMITTED TO EXCHANGE AGENT ON OR BEFORE 5:00 PM, NEW YORK CITY TIME, ON THE EXPIRATION DATE**

### **Withdrawal Rights**

You may withdraw your tender of outstanding Old Notes at any time before 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date.

For a withdrawal to be effective, you should contact your bank or broker where your Old Notes are held and have them send an ATOP notice of withdrawal so that it is received by the exchange agent before 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date. Such notice of withdrawal must:

- (1) specify the name of the person that tendered the Old Notes to be withdrawn;
- (2) identify the Old Notes to be withdrawn, including the CUSIP number and principal amount at maturity of the Old Notes;
- (3) specify the name and number of an account at The Depository Trust Company to which your withdrawn Old Notes can be credited.

We will decide all questions as to the validity, form and eligibility of the notices and our determination will be final and binding on all parties. Any tendered Old Notes that you withdraw will not be considered to have been validly tendered. We will return any outstanding Old Notes that have been tendered but not exchanged, or credit them to The Depository Trust Company account, promptly after withdrawal, rejection of tender, or termination of the exchange offer. You may re-tender properly withdrawn Old Notes by following one of the procedures described above before the expiration date.

### **Conditions To The Exchange Offer**

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Notwithstanding any other provision herein, we are not required to accept for exchange, or to issue New Notes in exchange for, any outstanding Old Notes. We may terminate or amend the exchange offer, before the expiration of the exchange offer;

(1) if any federal law, statute, rule or regulation has been adopted or enacted which, in our judgment, would reasonably be expected to impair our ability to proceed with the exchange offer;

(2) if any stop order is threatened or in effect with respect to the registration statement which this prospectus is a part of or the qualification of the indenture under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939; or

(3) if there is a change in the current interpretation by the staff of the Commission which permits holders who have made the required representations to us to resell, offer for resale, or otherwise transfer New Notes issued in the exchange offer without registration of the New Notes and delivery of a prospectus, as discussed above.

These conditions are for our sole benefit and we may assert them at any time before the expiration of the exchange offer. Our failure to exercise any of the foregoing rights will not be a waiver of our rights.

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### **Exchange Agent**

You should direct questions, requests for assistance, and requests for additional copies of this prospectus and the BLUE-colored Letter of Elections and Instructions to Brokers or Bank to the exchange agent at The Bank of New York, 101 Barclay Street -7W/Corp, New York, New York 10286, attention: Corporate Trust Operations Reorganization Unit (Telephone) (212) 815-3750 and (Facsimile) (212) 815-5707.

**Delivery to an address other than set forth above will not constitute a valid delivery.**

### **Fees And Expenses**

We will not make any payment to brokers, dealers, or others soliciting acceptances of the exchange offer except for reimbursement of mailing expenses.

We will pay the estimated cash expenses connected with the exchange offer.

### **Accounting Treatment**

The New Notes will be recorded at the same carrying value as the existing Old Notes, as reflected in our accounting records on the date of exchange. Accordingly, we will recognize no gain or loss for accounting purposes. The expenses incurred in connection with the exchange offer will be expensed as incurred.

### **Transfer Taxes**

If you tender outstanding Old Notes for exchange you will not be obligated to pay any transfer taxes. However, if you instruct us to register New Notes in the name of, or request that your Old Notes not tendered or not accepted in the exchange offer be returned to, a person other than you, you will be responsible for paying any transfer tax owed.

### **YOU MAY SUFFER ADVERSE CONSEQUENCES IF YOU FAIL TO EXCHANGE OUTSTANDING OLD NOTES**

If you do not tender your outstanding Old Notes, you will not have any further registration rights, except for the rights described in the registration rights agreement and described above, and your Old Notes will continue to be subject to restrictions on transfer when we complete the exchange offer. Accordingly, if you do not tender your notes in the exchange offer, your ability to sell your Old Notes could be adversely affected. Once we have completed the exchange offer, holders who have not tendered notes will not continue to be entitled to any increase in



interest rate that the indenture provides for if we do not complete the exchange offer.

Holders of the New Notes issued in the exchange offer and Old Notes that are not tendered in the exchange offer will vote together as a single class under the indenture governing the New Notes.

### **Consequences Of Exchanging Outstanding Old Notes**

If you make the representations that we discuss above, we believe that you may offer, sell or otherwise transfer the New Notes to another party without registration of your notes or delivery of a prospectus.

We base our belief on interpretations by the staff of the Commission in no-action letters issued to third parties. If you cannot make these representations, you cannot rely on this interpretation by the Commission's staff and you must comply with the registration and prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act in connection with a resale of the Old Notes. A broker-dealer that receives New Notes for its own account in exchange for its outstanding Old Notes must acknowledge that it acquired as a result of market making activities or other trading activities and that it will deliver a prospectus in connection with any resale of the New Notes. Broker-dealers who can make these representations may use this exchange offer prospectus, as supplemented or amended, in connection with resales of New Notes issued in the exchange offer.

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However, because the Commission has not issued a no-action letter in connection with this exchange offer, we cannot be sure that the staff of the Commission would make a similar determination regarding the exchange offer as it has made in similar circumstances.

## **Shelf Registration**

The registration rights agreement also requires that we file a shelf registration statement if:

- (1) we cannot file a registration statement for the exchange offer because the exchange offer is not permitted by law;
- (2) a law or Commission policy prohibits a holder from participating in the exchange offer;
- (3) a holder cannot resell the New Notes it acquires in the exchange offer without delivering a prospectus and this prospectus is not appropriate or available for resales by the holder; or
- (4) a holder is a broker-dealer and holds notes acquired directly from us or one of our affiliates.

We will also register the New Notes under the securities laws of jurisdictions that holders may request before offering or selling notes in a public offering. We do not intend to register New Notes in any jurisdiction unless a holder requests that we do so.

Old Notes may be subject to restrictions on transfer until:

- (1) a person other than a broker-dealer has exchanged the Old Notes in the exchange offer;
- (2) a broker-dealer has exchanged the Old Notes in the exchange offer and sells them to a purchaser that receives a prospectus from the broker, dealer on or before the sale;
- (3) the Old Notes are sold under an effective shelf registration statement that we have filed; or
- (4) the Old Notes are sold to the public under Rule 144 of the Securities Act.



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The following table presents our selected financial and other data, which you should read in conjunction with Use of Proceeds, Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and our financial statements and related notes included elsewhere in this prospectus. The selected historical consolidated financial data presented below for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008 have been derived from our unaudited consolidated financial statements. The selected historical consolidated financial data presented below for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, 2006, 2005 and 2004 have been derived from our consolidated financial statements. The following financial data should be read in conjunction with Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and the consolidated financial statements and related notes included elsewhere in this prospectus.

	Nine months ended September 30,		Fiscal years ended December 31,				
	2009	2008	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
	(in thousands, except for per share/unit amounts)						
<b>Statement of Operations Data:</b>							
Net revenue	\$ 178,019	\$ 204,605	\$ 284,919	\$ 266,801	\$ 265,169	\$ 228,939	\$ 249,531
Operating expenses (income):							
Direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization shown separately below)	56,867	58,189	78,287	74,128	71,465	67,681	65,608
Selling, general and administrative expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization shown separately below)	66,280	65,639	90,468	86,773	85,293	75,863	76,603
Restructure charge	670						
Non-cash contract termination fees	191	7,167	7,167				
Impairment of goodwill	7,360	27,841	38,856 <sup>(1)</sup>				
Impairment of other intangible assets	8,804	20,696	43,539 <sup>(2)</sup>				
Amortization of broadcast rights	19,495	15,393	20,423	21,457	19,701	22,257	24,805
Depreciation and amortization	33,775	34,750	49,153	45,880	42,221	43,244	44,412
Merger related expenses							456
Gain on asset exchange	(6,710)	(4,079)	(4,776)	(1,962)			
Loss on property held for sale						616	
Loss (gain) on asset disposal, net	(2,813)	(297)	(43)	(17)	639	668	582
Income (loss) from operations	(5,900)	(20,694)	(38,155)	40,542	45,850	18,610	37,065
Interest expense	(27,433)	(36,401)	(48,832)	(55,040)	(51,783)	(47,260)	(52,265)
Gain (loss) on extinguishment of debt	18,567		2,897			(15,715)	(8,704)
Interest income	47	626	713	532	760	213	113
Other income, net	3		2			380	5,077
Loss before income taxes	(14,716)	(54,469)	(83,375)	(13,966)	(5,173)	(43,772)	(18,714)
Income tax benefit (expense).	1,135	(310)	5,316	(5,807)	(3,819)	(4,958)	(3,892)
Loss before minority interest in consolidated entity	(13,581)	(56,779)	(78,059)	(19,773)	(8,992)	(48,730)	(22,606)
Minority interest of consolidated entity							2,106
Net loss	(13,581)	(56,779)	(78,059)	(19,773)	(8,992)	(48,730)	(20,500)
<b>Basic and diluted loss per share:</b>							
Net loss attributable to common shareholders	\$ (0.48)	\$ (2.00)	\$ (2.75)	\$ (0.70)	\$ (0.32)	\$ (1.72)	\$ (0.72)
Weighted average number of shares outstanding:							
Basic and diluted	28,426	28,422	28,423	28,401	28,376	28,363	28,363
<b>Balance Sheet Data (end of period):</b>							
Cash and cash equivalents	19,323	11,648	15,834	16,226	11,179	13,487	18,505
Working capital (deficit)	40,781	22,978	27,391	(11,472)	21,872	26,144	35,249
Net intangible assets and goodwill	368,695	433,464	390,540	494,092	519,450	494,231	519,626
Total assets	628,055	665,218	626,587	708,702	724,709	680,081	734,965
Total debt	675,555	666,242	662,117	681,176	681,135	646,505	629,898
Total member's interest (deficit) or stockholder's equity (deficit)	(177,612)	(144,303)	(165,156)	(89,390)	(73,290)	(66,025)	(17,295)
<b>Cash Flow Data:</b>							
Net cash provided by (used for):							
Operating activities	9,834	40,726	60,648	36,987	54,462	14,350	31,911
Investing activities	(30,106)	(25,548)	(38,492)	(18,608)	(79,272)	(26,358)	(44,605)

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Financing activities	23,761	(19,756)	(22,548)	(13,332)	22,502	6,990	20,351
<b>Other Financial Data:</b>							
Capital expenditures, net of proceeds from asset sales	14,250	18,119	30,687	18,221	23,751	13,891	10,298
Cash payments for broadcast rights	6,811	6,128	8,239	8,376	8,284	9,704	10,520
<b>Financial Ratio Data:</b>							
Ratio of earnings to fixed charges <sup>(3)</sup>					1.17		

- (1) The Company recognized an impairment charge of \$38.9 million related to goodwill. See Note 8 under on page F-56 for additional information.
- (2) The Company recognized an impairment charge of \$43.5 million related to FCC licenses and network affiliation agreements. See Note 8 on page F-56 for additional information.
- (3) The computation of the ratio of earnings to fixed charges is filed with this registration statement as Exhibit 12.1.

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**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS  
OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS**

*The following discussion of our financial condition and results of operations should be read in conjunction with the Selected Historical Financial Data, and the combined financial statements and the related notes thereto included elsewhere in this prospectus. This discussion contains forward-looking statements about our markets, the demand for our products and services and our future results. We based these statements on assumptions that we consider reasonable. Actual results may differ materially from those suggested by our forward-looking statements for various reasons including those discussed in the Risk Factors and Forward-Looking Statements sections of this prospectus.*

**Overview of Operations**

We own and operate 34 television stations as of September 30, 2009. Through various local service agreements, we programmed, provided sales or other services to 25 additional television stations (exclusive of digital multi-channels), including 16 television stations owned and operated by Mission as of September 30, 2009. All of the stations we program or provide sales and other services to, including Mission, are 100% owned by independent third parties.

The following table summarizes the various local service agreements we had in effect as of September 30, 2009 with Mission:

**Service Agreements**

TBA (1)  
SSA & JSA (2)

**Mission Stations**

WFXP and KHMT  
KJTL, KJBO-LP, KOLR, KCIT, KCPN-LP, KAMC, KRBC, KSAN,  
WUTR, WFXW, WYOU, KODE, WTVO and KTVE

- (1) We have a time brokerage agreement ( TBA ) with each of these stations which allows us to program most of each station's broadcast time, sell each station's advertising time and retain the advertising revenue generated in exchange for monthly payments to Mission.
- (2) We have both a shared services agreement ( SSA ) and a joint sales agreement ( JSA ) with each of these stations. The SSA allows us to provide certain services including news production, technical maintenance and security, in exchange for our right to receive certain payments from Mission as described in the SSAs. The JSA permits us to sell and retain a percentage of the net revenue from the station's advertising time in return for monthly payments to Mission of the remaining percentage of net revenue as described in the JSAs.

In conjunction with Mission's acquisition of KTVE, the NBC affiliate in the Monroe, Louisiana - El Dorado, Arkansas market, effective January 16, 2008, it entered into a SSA and JSA with Nexstar. The terms of the SSA and JSA are comparable to the terms of the SSAs and JSAs between Nexstar and Mission as discussed above.

Our ability to receive cash from Mission is governed by these agreements. The arrangements under the local service agreements have had the effect of us receiving substantially all of the available cash, after Mission's payments of operating costs and debt service, generated by the stations listed above. We anticipate that, through these local service agreements, we will continue to receive substantially all of the available cash, after Mission's payments of operating costs and debt service, generated by the stations listed above.

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We also guarantee all obligations incurred under Mission's senior credit facility. Similarly, Mission is a guarantor of our senior credit facility and the senior subordinated notes we have issued. In consideration of our guarantee of Mission's senior credit facility, the sole shareholder of Mission has granted us a purchase option to acquire the assets and assume the liabilities of each Mission station, subject to FCC consent, for consideration equal to the greater of (1) seven times the station's cash flow, as defined in the option agreement, less the amount of its indebtedness as defined in the option agreement, or (2) the amount of its indebtedness. These option agreements (which expire on various dates between 2011 and 2018) are freely exercisable or assignable by us without consent or approval by the sole shareholder of Mission. We expect these option agreements to be renewed upon expiration.

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We do not own Mission or Mission's television stations. However, as a result of our guarantee of the obligations incurred under Mission's senior credit facility, our arrangements under the local service agreements and purchase option agreements with Mission, we are deemed under U.S. GAAP to have a controlling financial interest in Mission while complying with the FCC's rules regarding ownership limits in television markets. In order for both us and Mission to comply with FCC regulations, Mission maintains complete responsibility for and control over programming, finances, personnel and operations of its stations.

The operating revenue of our stations is derived primarily from broadcast advertising revenue, which is affected by a number of factors, including the economic conditions of the markets in which we operate, the demographic makeup of those markets and the marketing strategy we employ in each market. Most advertising contracts are short-term and generally run for a few weeks. For the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007 and the nine months ended September 30, 2009, the revenue generated from local advertising represented 72.2% , 70.3% and 75.1%, respectively, of our consolidated spot revenue (total of local and national advertising revenue, excluding political advertising revenue). The remaining advertising revenue represents inventory sold for national or political advertising. All national and political revenue is derived from advertisements placed through advertising agencies. The agencies receive a commission rate of 15.0% of the gross amount of advertising schedules placed by them. While the majority of local spot revenue is placed by local agencies, some advertisers place their schedules directly with the stations' local sales staff, thereby eliminating the agency commission. Each station also has an agreement with a national representative firm that provides for sales representation outside the particular station's market. Advertising schedules received through the national representative firm are for national or large regional accounts that advertise in several markets simultaneously. National commission rates vary within the industry and are governed by each station's agreement.

Each of our stations and the stations we provide services to has a network affiliation agreement pursuant to which the network provides programming to the station during specified time periods, including prime time. Under the affiliation agreements with NBC, CBS and ABC, some of our stations and the stations we provide services to receive cash compensation for distributing the network's programming over the air and for allowing the network to keep a portion of advertising inventory during those time periods. The affiliation agreements with Fox, MyNetworkTV and The CW do not provide for compensation. In recent years, in conjunction with the renewal of affiliation agreements with NBC, CBS and ABC, the amount of network compensation has been declining from year to year. We expect this trend to continue in the future. Therefore, revenue associated with network compensation agreements is expected to decline in future years and may be eliminated altogether at some point in time.

Each station acquires licenses to broadcast programming in non-news and non-network time periods. The licenses are either purchased from a program distributor for cash and/or the program distributor is allowed to sell some of the advertising inventory as compensation to eliminate or reduce the cash cost for the license. The latter practice is referred to as barter broadcast rights. The station records the estimated fair market value of the licenses, including any advertising inventory given to the program distributor, as a broadcast right asset and liability. Barter broadcast rights are recorded at management's estimate of the value of the advertising time exchanged using historical advertising rates, which approximates the fair value of the program material received. The assets are amortized as a component of amortization of broadcast rights. Amortization is computed using the straight-line method based on the license period or usage, whichever yields the greater expense. The cash broadcast rights liabilities are reduced by monthly payments while the barter liability is amortized over the life of the contract as barter revenue.

Our primary operating expenses consist of commissions on advertising revenue, employee compensation and related benefits, newsgathering and programming costs. A large percentage of the costs involved in the operation of our stations and the stations we provide services to remains relatively fixed.



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### **Seasonality**

Advertising revenue is positively affected by strong local economies, national and regional political election campaigns, and certain events such as the Olympic Games or the Super Bowl. Because television broadcast stations rely on advertising revenue, declines in advertising budgets, particularly in recessionary periods, adversely affect the broadcast industry, and as a result may contribute to a decrease in the revenue of broadcast television stations. The stations' advertising revenue is generally highest in the second and fourth quarters of each year, due in part to increases in consumer advertising in the spring and retail advertising in the period leading up to, and including, the holiday season. In addition, advertising revenue is generally higher during even-numbered years resulting from political advertising and advertising aired during the Olympic Games.

### **Industry Trends**

Our net revenue decreased 13.0% to \$178.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2009, compared to \$204.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2008 primarily due to decreases in national and local advertising which is attributable to the overall slowdown in the economy and in particular, the automotive industry, year-over-year.

Political advertising revenue was \$2.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2009, a significant decrease from the \$13.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2008. The demand for political advertising is generally higher in even-numbered years, when congressional and presidential elections occur, than in odd-numbered years when there are no federal elections scheduled. Since 2009 is a non-election year, we expect significantly less political advertising revenue to be reported in 2009 in relation to the amount of political advertising reported in 2008.

Automotive-related advertising, our largest advertising category, represented approximately 16% and 23% of our core local and national advertising revenue for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008. Our automotive-related advertising decreased approximately 40% for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 as compared to the same period in 2008. Automotive-related advertising on a quarter-to-quarter comparison to the prior year has followed a consistent downward trend over the last three years. This trend is primarily due to the current condition of the automotive industry and resulting decline in the demand for advertising from this business category. A continued pattern of deterioration in advertising revenue from this source could materially affect our future results of operations.

### **Pending Transaction**

On April 11, 2006, we and Mission filed an application with the FCC for consent to assignment of the license of KFTA Channel 24 (Ft. Smith, Arkansas) from us to Mission. Consideration for this transaction is set at \$5.6 million. On August 28, 2006, we and Mission entered into a local service agreement whereby (a) Mission pays us \$5 thousand per month for the right to broadcast Fox programming on KFTA during the Fox network programming time periods and (b) we pay Mission \$20 thousand per month for the right to sell all advertising time on KFTA within the Fox network programming time periods. The local service agreement between us and Mission will terminate upon assignment of KFTA's FCC license from us to Mission. Upon completing the assignment of KFTA's license, Mission plans to enter into a JSA and SSA with our station KNWA in Fort Smith-Fayetteville-Springdale-Rogers, Arkansas, whereby KNWA will provide local news, sales and other non-programming services to KFTA. In March 2008, the FCC granted the application to assign the license for KFTA from Nexstar to Mission. The grant contained conditions which Nexstar is currently appealing.

**Station Acquisitions**

On January 16, 2008, Mission completed its acquisition of KTVE, the NBC affiliate in Monroe, Louisiana El Dorado, Arkansas, for total consideration of \$8.3 million, inclusive of transaction costs.

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On October 6, 2008, Nexstar entered into a purchase agreement to acquire substantially all of the assets of KARZ (formerly KWBF), the MyNetworkTV affiliate serving the Little Rock, Arkansas market for \$4.0 million. The acquisition gives Nexstar an opportunity to further utilize existing retransmission compensation contracts and also to achieve duopoly synergies within the KARZ market. In accordance with the purchase agreement, Nexstar made a down payment of \$0.4 million in 2008. This acquisition closed on March 12, 2009 and the remaining \$3.6 million was paid from available cash on hand. Transaction costs such as legal, accounting, valuation and other professional services of \$0.1 million were expensed as incurred.

On January 28, 2009, Nexstar entered into an agreement to acquire the assets of WCWJ, the CW affiliate serving the Jacksonville, Florida market, for \$18.0 million (base) subject to working capital adjustments. Nexstar viewed this acquisition as an opportunity to leverage our management expertise and increase profitability of the station by overlaying our existing retransmission compensation contracts and incorporating our cost reduction strategies. The transaction closed on May 1, 2009. Cash available on hand was used to make a \$1.0 million down payment in February 2009 and the remaining \$16.2 million was paid upon closing. Transaction costs such as legal, accounting, valuation and other professional services of \$0.3 million were expensed as incurred.

## **Refinancing of Long-Term Debt Obligations**

On June 27, 2008, Nexstar Broadcasting Inc. (the Issuer), an indirect subsidiary of Nexstar Broadcasting Group, Inc. (the Parent), and the Parent entered into a purchase agreement with certain initial purchasers (the Purchasers) identified therein pursuant to which the Issuer agreed to issue and sell, the Purchasers agreed to purchase, Senior Subordinated PIK Notes due 2014 (the Notes) in aggregate principal amount of \$35,623,410 at a purchase price equal to 98.25%. The transaction closed on June 30, 2008 and was subject to customary representations, warranties and closing conditions. Each of the Issuer and the Parent has agreed to indemnify the Purchasers for any breach of any of the representations, warranties, covenants or agreements made by such party. The Issuer used the net proceeds from the sale of Notes to reduce revolver borrowings under its senior bank credit facility. The Notes are guaranteed by the Parent (the Guarantee).

## **Recent Developments**

On October 6, 2008, Nexstar entered into a purchase agreement to acquire substantially all of the assets of KARZ-TV (formerly KWBF-TV), the MyNetworkTV affiliate serving the Little Rock, Arkansas market for \$4.0 million (base price) subject to working capital adjustments. This acquisition closed on March 12, 2009.

On January 28, 2009, Nexstar entered into an agreement to acquire the assets of WCWJ, the CW affiliate serving the Jacksonville, Florida market, for a base purchase price of \$18.0 million subject to working capital adjustments. The transaction received FCC approval and closed on May 1, 2009.

On February 27, 2009, Nexstar announced the commencement of an offer to exchange up to \$143,600,000 aggregate principal amount of its outstanding \$191,510,000 in aggregate principal amount of 7% senior subordinated notes due 2014 (the Old Notes) in exchange for (i) up to \$142,320,761 in aggregate principal amount of Nexstar Broadcasting's 7% senior subordinated PIK Notes due 2014 (the New Notes), to be guaranteed by each of the existing guarantors to the Old Notes and (ii) cash. This debt exchange closed on March 30, 2009. See Debt Covenant discussion in the Liquidity and Capital Resources section.

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During the first quarter of 2009, the Company repurchased a total of \$27.9 million (face amount) of its 11.375% notes and \$1.0 million (face amount) of the old notes for a total of \$10.0 million, plus accrued interest of \$1.0 million.

On October 8, 2009, Nexstar entered into that certain Second Amendment (the Amendment ) to the Fourth Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of April 1, 2005, together with Nexstar Broadcasting Group, Inc., Nexstar Finance Holdings, Inc., Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent and as L/C Issuer, Banc of America Securities LLC, as joint lead arranger and joint book manager, UBS Securities LLC, as co-syndication

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agent and joint lead arranger, and Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, as co-syndication agent and joint book manager, and the several banks parties thereto (the Nexstar Credit Agreement, and, as amended, the Amended Nexstar Credit Agreement, setting forth the terms of the senior credit facility).

The Amendment modifies certain terms of Nexstar Credit Agreement, including, but not limited to, changes to financial covenants, including the Consolidated Total Leverage Ratio and Consolidated Senior Leverage Ratio, a general tightening of the exceptions to the negative covenants (principally by means of reducing the types and amounts of permitted transactions) and an increase to the interest rates and fees payable with respect to the borrowings under the Amended Nexstar Credit Agreement.

	Prior	As Amended
<b>Consolidated Total Leverage Ratio:</b>		
July 1, 2009 through September 30, 2009	6.50 to 1.00	6.75 to 1.00
October 1, 2009 to December 31, 2009	6.50 to 1.00	8.75 to 1.00
January 1, 2010 through March 31, 2010	6.50 to 1.00	9.50 to 1.00
April 1, 2010 through June 30, 2010	6.50 to 1.00	10.25 to 1.00
July 1, 2010 through September 30, 2010	6.25 to 1.00	9.25 to 1.00
October 1, 2010 through and including March 31, 2011	6.25 to 1.00	7.75 to 1.00
April 1, 2011 and thereafter	6.00 to 1.00	6.00 to 1.00
<b>Consolidated Senior Leverage Ratio:</b>		
July 1, 2009 through September 30, 2009	4.50 to 1.00	5.50 to 1.00
October 1, 2009 to December 31, 2009	4.50 to 1.00	7.00 to 1.00
January 1, 2010 through March 31, 2010	4.25 to 1.00	7.00 to 1.00
April 1, 2010 through June 30, 2010	4.25 to 1.00	7.50 to 1.00
July 1, 2010 through September 30, 2010	4.25 to 1.00	6.75 to 1.00
October 1, 2010 through and including March 31, 2011	4.25 to 1.00	5.50 to 1.00
April 1, 2011 and thereafter	4.00 to 1.00	4.00 to 1.00

The Amended Nexstar Credit Agreement revises the calculation of Consolidated Total Leverage Ratio to exclude the netting of cash and cash equivalents against total debt.

On an annual basis following the delivery of Nexstar's Broadcasting, Inc.'s year end financial statements, the Amended Nexstar Credit Agreement requires mandatory prepayments of principal, as well as a permanent reduction in revolving credit commitments, subject to a computation of excess cash flow for the preceding fiscal year, as more fully set forth in the Amended Nexstar Credit Agreement. The Amended Nexstar Credit Agreement also places additional restrictions on the use of proceeds from asset sales, equity issuances, or debt issuances (with the result that such proceeds, subject to certain exceptions, be used for mandatory prepayments of principal and permanent reductions in revolving credit commitments), and includes an anti-cash hoarding provision which requires that Nexstar utilize unrestricted cash and cash equivalent balances in excess of \$15 million to repay principal amounts outstanding, but not permanently reduce capacity, under the revolving credit facility.

The Amended Nexstar Credit Agreement also revised the interest rate provisions. As amended, borrowings under the senior credit facility may bear interest at either (i) a Eurodollar Rate, which has been amended to include an interest rate floor equal to 1% or (ii) a Base Rate, which, as amended, is defined as the greater of (1) the sum of 1/2 of 1% plus the Federal Funds Rate, (2) Bank of America, N.A.'s prime rate and (3) the sum of (x) 1% plus (y) the Eurodollar Rate. The definition of applicable margin was changed to eliminate the pricing grid and replace it with a fixed rate. As amended, the applicable margin for Eurodollar loans is a rate per annum equal to 4% and the applicable margin for Base Rate loans is a rate per annum equal to 3%.

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On October 8, 2009, Mission entered into its first amendment (the Mission Amendment ) to its Third Amended and Restated Credit Agreement dated as of April 1, 2005, among it, Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent and as L/C Issuer, Banc of America Securities, as joint lead arranger and joint book

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manager, UBS Securities LLC, as co-syndication agent and joint lead arranger and Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, as co-syndication agent and joint bank manager, and the several banks parties thereto (as amended, the Amended Mission Credit Agreement ).

Nexstar, Nexstar Broadcasting Group, Inc. and Nexstar Finance Holdings, Inc. (together, the Nexstar Entities ) continue to guarantee full payment of any and all obligations under the Amended Mission Credit Agreement in the event of a default thereunder. The Amended Nexstar Credit Agreement expanded certain cross-default provisions such that the breach of certain warranties, representations or covenants under the Amended Mission Credit Agreement now constitute an event of default under the Amended Nexstar Credit Agreement.

The foregoing description of the Amendment to the senior credit facility and the modifications contained therein does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by the terms and conditions of such Amendment.

The Mission Amendment, among other things, permitted Mission to modify certain terms and conditions of the Mission Credit Agreement. Mission continues to guarantee full payment of all obligations of the Nexstar Entities under the Amended Nexstar Credit Agreement.

**Historical Performance**

*Revenue*

The following table sets forth the principal types of revenue earned by the Company's stations for the periods indicated and each type of revenue (other than trade and barter) as a percentage of total gross revenue, as well as agency commissions:

	Nine Months Ended September 30,				Year Ended December 31,					
	2009		2008		2008		2007		2006	
	Amount	%	Amount	%	Amount	%	Amount	%	Amount	%
(in thousands, except percentages)										
Local	\$ 113,412	61.8	\$ 129,999	60.2	\$ 171,552	57.0	\$ 175,508	62.9	\$ 164,077	58.8
National	37,563	20.5	50,296	23.3	66,122	22.0	74,256	26.6	71,620	25.6
Political	2,271	1.2	13,418	6.2	32,886	10.9	4,308	1.6	27,031	9.7
Retransmission compensation (1)	17,884	9.8	10,461	4.8	14,393	4.8	11,810	4.2	8,696	3.1
eMedia revenue	8,291	4.5	7,342	3.4	10,180	3.4	5,113	1.8	100	
Network compensation	1,607	0.9	2,615	1.2	3,523	1.1	4,364	1.6	4,210	1.5
Other	2,326	1.3	1,635	0.9	2,498	0.8	3,652	1.3	3,542	1.3
Total gross revenue	183,354	100.0	215,766	100.0	301,154	100.0	279,011	100.0	279,276	100.0
Less: Agency commissions	19,002	10.4	24,544	11.4	34,587	11.5	31,629	11.3	33,104	11.9
Net broadcast revenue	164,352	89.6	191,222	88.6	266,567	88.5	247,382	88.7	246,172	88.1
Trade and barter revenue	13,667		13,383		18,352		19,419		18,997	
Net revenue	\$ 178,019		\$ 204,605		\$ 284,919		\$ 266,801		\$ 265,169	

- (1) Retransmission compensation consists of a per subscriber-based compensatory fee and excludes advertising revenue generated from retransmission consent agreements, which is included in gross local advertising revenue.



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The following table sets forth a summary of the Company's operations for the periods indicated and their percentages of total net revenue:

	Nine Months Ended September 30,				Year Ended December 31,					
	2009		2008		2008		2007		2006	
	Amount	%	Amount	%	Amount	%	Amount	%	Amount	%
Net revenue	\$ 178,019	100.0	\$ 204,605	100.0	\$ 284,919	100.0	\$ 266,801	100.0	\$ 265,169	100.0
Operating expenses (income):										
Corporate expenses	14,499	8.1	11,033	5.4	15,473	5.4	13,348	5.0	14,588	5.5
Station direct operating expenses, net of trade	52,991	29.8	53,783	26.3	72,056	25.3	68,112	25.5	64,358	24.3
Selling, general and administrative expenses	51,781	29.1	54,606	26.7	74,995	26.3	73,425	27.5	70,705	26.7
Impairment of goodwill	7,360	4.1	27,841	13.6	38,856	13.6				
Impairment of other intangible assets	8,804	4.9	20,696	10.1	43,539	15.3				
Restructure charge	670	0.4								
Non-cash contract termination fees	191	0.1	7,167	3.5	7,167	2.5				
Gain on asset exchange	(6,710)	(3.8)	(4,079)	(2.0)	(4,776)	(1.7)	(1,962)	(0.7)		
Loss (gain) on asset disposal, net	(2,813)	(1.6)	(297)	(0.1)	(43)		(17)		639	0.2
Trade and barter expense	12,793	7.2	13,097	6.4	17,936	6.3	18,423	6.9	18,717	7.1
Depreciation and amortization	33,775	19.0	34,750	17.0	49,153	17.3	45,880	17.2	42,221	15.9
Amortization of broadcast rights, excluding barter	10,578	5.9	6,702	3.3	8,718	3.1	9,050	3.4	8,091	3.1
Income (loss) from operations	\$ (5,900)		\$ (20,694)		\$ (38,155)		\$ 40,542		\$ 45,850	

*Nine Months Ended September 30, 2009 Compared to Nine Months Ended September 30, 2008**Revenue*

Gross local advertising revenue was \$113.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 a decrease of \$16.6 million or 12.8% when compared to \$130.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2008. Gross national advertising revenue was \$37.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2009, compared to \$50.3 million for the same period in 2008, a decrease of \$12.7 million, or 25.3%. Advertising revenue from Paid Programming, Automotive, Fast Foods/Restaurants, Furniture and Telecom business categories decreased by approximately \$2.3 million, \$17.0 million, \$1.2 million, \$1.8 million and \$1.6 million, respectively during the nine months ended September 30, 2009 compared to the prior year.

Gross political advertising revenue was \$2.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2009, compared to \$13.4 million for the same period in 2008, a decrease of \$11.1 million, or 83.1%. The decrease in gross political revenue was mainly attributed to presidential and statewide primary elections and to statewide and/or local races that occurred during the nine months ended September 30, 2008 as compared to nominal political advertising during the nine months ended September 30, 2009.

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Retransmission compensation was \$17.9 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2009, compared to \$10.5 million for the same period in 2008, an increase of \$7.4 million, or 71.0%. The increase in retransmission compensation was primarily the result of agreements with various cable companies being renegotiated at higher rates in the fourth quarter of 2008.

eMedia revenue, representing revenue generated from non-television web-based advertising, was \$8.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2009, compared to \$7.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2008, an increase of \$1.0 million or 12.9%. The increase in eMedia revenue was a result of the continued expansion of products offered in this area.

Net revenue for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 decreased 13.0% to \$178.0 million compared to \$204.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2008.

### *Operating Expenses*

Corporate expenses, related to costs associated with the centralized management of Nexstar's and Mission's stations, were \$14.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2009, compared to \$11.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2008, an increase of \$3.5 million, or 31.4%. The increase during the nine months ended September 30, 2009 was primarily attributed to \$2.9 million in fees associated with the March 2009 7% notes exchange offer and \$0.6 million in professional fees associated with the recent amendment of our senior credit facility.

Station direct operating expenses, consisting primarily of news, engineering and programming, net of trade, and selling, general and administrative expenses were \$104.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2009, compared to \$108.4 million for the same period in 2008, a decrease of \$3.6 million, or 3.3%. This decrease is primarily attributed to a decrease in national and local sales commissions which resulted from decreases in national and local revenue.

In February 2009, Nexstar began regionalizing certain accounting and traffic functions. As a result, approximately 93 employees were notified they would be terminated at various points in time through the end of May 2009. These employees were offered termination benefits that aggregated to \$0.7 million. The Company recognized these costs ratably over the period of time between the notice of termination and the termination date. Nexstar estimates the restructuring will save the Company approximately \$2.2 million annually. The Company incurred a \$0.7 million charge during the nine months ended September 30, 2009 related to these benefits.

In May 2009, the Company incurred a non-cash charge of \$0.2 million related to the termination of national sales representation agreements at certain stations. The Company incurred a similar type of charge in March 2008 in the amount of \$7.2 million related to a different group of stations.

Amortization of broadcast rights, excluding barter, was \$10.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2009, compared to \$6.7 million for the same period in 2008. The increase is primarily due to net realizable write-downs of \$3.0 million as more fully described in Note 2 on page F-10. Additionally, the 2009 purchase of stations WCWJ and KARZ increased the monthly amortization.

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Amortization of intangible assets was \$17.8 and \$19.1 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively. The decrease in amortization was primarily due to the reduction of the carrying value of network affiliation agreements being amortized in 2009 as a result of impairments in the second half of 2008 and one station changing networks at the beginning of 2009.

We recorded an impairment charge of \$16.2 million during the third quarter of 2009 that included an impairment to the carrying values of FCC licenses of \$8.8 million, related to 19 of our stations and an impairment to the carrying values of goodwill of \$7.4 million, related to four reporting units consisting of five of

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our television stations. In the third quarter of 2008, we recorded an impairment charge of \$48.5 million that included an impairment to the carrying values of FCC licenses of \$19.7 million, related to 12 of our television stations; an impairment to the carrying value of network affiliation agreements of \$1.0 million, related to three of our television stations; and an impairment to the carrying values of goodwill of \$27.8 million, related to five reporting units consisting of six of our television stations. As required by the authoritative guidance for goodwill and other intangible assets, we tested our FCC licenses and goodwill for impairment at September 30, 2009, between the required annual tests, because we believed events had occurred and circumstances changed that would more likely than not reduce the fair value of our reporting units below their carrying amounts and that our FCC licenses might be impaired. These events and circumstances include the overall economic recession and a continued decline in demand for advertising at several of our stations.

Depreciation of property and equipment was \$16.0 million and \$15.7 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2009, and 2008, respectively.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2009, and September, 30 2008 respectively, we recognized a gain of \$6.7 million and \$4.1 million from the exchange of equipment under an arrangement with Sprint Nextel Corporation. The increase was due to the number of stations completing spectrum conversions in 2009 compared to 2008.

The net gain on asset disposal of \$2.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 included a \$2.2 million gain related to the KSNF tower insurance claim.

### *Loss from Operations*

Loss from operations was \$5.9 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2009, compared to a loss from operations of \$20.7 million for the same period in 2008, a decrease of \$14.8 million, or 71.5%. The decrease in loss from operations was primarily the result of the decrease of \$32.4 million in the magnitude of the impairment charge in the nine months ended September 30, 2009 compared to the same period in 2008, as well as the decrease in non-cash contact termination fees of \$7.0 million combined with increased gains on asset exchange and disposal of assets of \$5.1 million, partially offset by the decrease in net revenue of \$26.6 million and the increase in amortization of broadcast rights of \$4.1 million, which included \$3.0 million in write-downs of the net realizable value of certain broadcast rights.

### *Interest Expense*

Interest expense, including amortization of debt financing costs, was \$27.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2009, compared to \$36.4 million for the same period in 2008, a decrease of \$9.0 million, or 24.6%. The decrease in interest expense was primarily attributed to lower average interest rates in 2009 compared to 2008, as well as reductions in the outstanding 11.375% notes, period-over-period.

### *Gain on Extinguishment of Debt*

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In the first quarter of 2009, the Company purchased \$27.8 million of its 11.375% notes and \$1.0 million of its 7% notes for a total of \$10.0 million, plus accrued interest of \$1.0 million. These transactions resulted in combined gains of \$18.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2009.

### *Income Taxes*

Income tax benefit was \$1.1 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2009, compared to an expense of \$0.3 million for the same period in 2008, a decrease of \$1.4 million, or 466.1%. The decrease in expense was primarily due to the deferred tax effect of the impairment charge of \$16.2 million in 2009 and \$48.5 million in 2008 related to goodwill and other indefinite-lived intangible assets. Our provision for income taxes is

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primarily created by changes in the deferred tax liabilities position during the year arising from the amortizing of goodwill and other indefinite-lived intangible assets for income tax purposes which are not amortized for financial reporting purposes. The impairment charge reduced the book value and therefore decreased the deferred tax liability position. No tax benefit was recorded with respect to the losses for 2009 and 2008, as the utilization of such losses is not likely to be realized in the foreseeable future.

### *Year Ended December 31, 2008 Compared to Year Ended December 31, 2007*

#### *Revenue*

Gross local advertising revenue was \$171.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2008, compared to \$175.5 million for the same period in 2007, a decrease of \$3.9 million, or 2.3%. Gross national advertising revenue was \$66.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2008, compared to \$74.3 million for the same period in 2007, a decrease of \$8.2 million, or 11.0%. The combined net decrease in gross local and national advertising revenue of \$12.1 million was primarily the result of a decrease in automotive related advertising, our largest advertising category.

Gross political advertising revenue was \$32.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2008, compared to \$4.3 million for the same period in 2007, an increase of \$28.6 million, or 663.4%. The increase in gross political revenue was attributed to presidential, statewide and/or local races (primarily in Pennsylvania, Indiana, Alabama, Missouri and Montana) that occurred during the year ended December 31, 2008 as compared to nominal political advertising during the year ended December 31, 2007.

Retransmission compensation was \$14.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2008, compared to \$11.8 million for the same period in 2007, an increase of \$2.6 million, or 22.0%. The increase in retransmission compensation was primarily the result of (1) additional subscriber base for certain content distributors in 2008 compared to 2007, (2) annual rate increases in 2008 for certain retransmission consent agreements, (3) the addition of new markets under retransmission consent agreements in 2008 and (4) renewal of various multi-year contracts at higher rates with certain distributors.

eMedia revenue, representing revenue generated from non-television web-based advertising, was \$10.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2008, compared to \$5.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2007. The increase in new media revenue was a result of having all of our markets complete implementation of this digital media platform initiative for all of 2008 as compared to 2007, in which complete implementation did not take place until June 2007. Also contributing to the increase is the introduction of additional products in this area.

#### *Operating Expenses*

Corporate expenses, related to costs associated with the centralized management of Nexstar's and Mission's stations, were \$15.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2008, compared to \$13.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2007, an increase of \$2.2 million, or 15.9%. The increase during the year ended December 31, 2008 was primarily attributed to an increase in legal and professional fees of \$2.4 million.

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Station direct operating expenses, consisting primarily of news, engineering and programming, net of trade, and selling, general and administrative expenses were \$147.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2008, compared to \$141.5 million for the same period in 2007, an increase of \$5.6 million, or 3.9%. The increase in station direct operating expenses, net of trade, is primarily attributed to (1) the addition of KTVE in 2008 and (2) payroll-related costs and commissions related to the growth in eMedia revenue. These increases were partially offset by a reduction in employee incentives.

Amortization of broadcast rights, excluding barter, was \$8.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2008, compared to \$9.1 million for the same period in 2007, a decrease of \$0.4 million, or 3.7%.

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Amortization of intangible assets was \$28.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2008, compared to \$25.7 million for the same period in 2007, an increase of \$2.4 million, or 9.6%. The increase was primarily related to the acceleration of amortization of our NBC Network affiliation agreement at KBTV due to the station becoming a Fox affiliated station effective January 1, 2009.

Depreciation of property and equipment was \$21.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2008, compared to \$20.2 million for the same period in 2007, an increase of \$0.8 million, or 4.0%. The increase in depreciation was due to a corresponding increase in property and equipment, including Mission's acquisition of KTVE.

For the year ended December 31, 2008, we recognized a non-cash gain of \$4.8 million from the exchange of equipment under an arrangement we first transacted with Sprint Nextel Corporation during the second quarter of 2007.

We recognized a \$7.2 million non-cash charge related to the termination of the national sales representation contract.

We recorded an impairment charge of \$82.4 million during the year ended December 31, 2008 that included an impairment to the carrying values of FCC licenses of \$41.4 million, related to 22 of our television stations; an impairment to the carrying value of network affiliation agreements of \$2.1 million, related to 3 of our television stations; and an impairment to the carrying values of goodwill of \$38.9 million, related to 10 reporting units consisting of 11 of our television stations. See Note 8 in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements on page F-56 for additional information.

### *Income from Operations*

Loss from operations was \$38.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2008, compared to income of \$40.5 million for the same period in 2007, a decrease of \$78.7 million, or 194.3%. The decrease was primarily the result of impairment charges as required by authoritative guidance for goodwill and other intangible assets partially offset by increases in net revenue.

### *Interest Expense*

Interest expense, including amortization of debt financing costs, was \$48.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2008, compared to \$55.0 million for the same period in 2007, a decrease of \$6.2 million, or 11.3%. The decrease in interest expense was primarily attributed to lower average interest rates during the year ended December 31, 2008 compared to the same period in 2007 combined with the \$46.9 million principal payment on our 11.375% senior discounted Notes on April 1, 2008, a \$5.3 million dollar repurchase of the 11.375% Notes in September 2008 and a repurchase of \$7.5 million of the 7% Notes in October 2008.

### *Gain on Extinguishment of Debt*



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On October 16, 2008, Nexstar purchased \$5 million (face value) of the Company's outstanding 7% Notes. The cash paid was approximately \$3.1 million which included approximately \$0.1 million of accrued interest. On October 28, 2008, Nexstar purchased \$2.5 million (face value) of the 7% Notes for approximately \$1.5 million, which included approximately \$0.1 million of accrued interest. As a result of these two transactions, Nexstar recognized a combined gain of \$2.9 million. This amount is net of a \$0.1 million pro-rata write-off of debt financing costs associated with the 7% Notes.

### *Income Taxes*

Income tax benefit was \$5.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2008, compared to income tax expense of \$5.8 million for the same period in 2007, a decrease of \$11.1 million. The decrease was primarily due to the tax benefit recognized as a result of the impairment charge on indefinite-lived assets. Our provision for

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income taxes is primarily created by an increase in the deferred tax liabilities position during the year arising from the amortizing of goodwill and other indefinite-lived intangible assets for income tax purposes which are not amortized for financial reporting purposes. The impairment charge reduced the book value and therefore decreased the deferred tax liability position. No tax benefit was recorded with respect to the losses for 2008 and 2007, as the utilization of such losses is not likely to be realized in the foreseeable future.

### *Year Ended December 31, 2007 Compared to Year Ended December 31, 2006*

#### *Revenue*

Gross local advertising revenue was \$175.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2007, compared to \$164.1 million for the same period in 2006, an increase of \$11.4 million, or 7.0%. Gross national advertising revenue was \$74.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2007, compared to \$71.6 million for the same period in 2006, an increase of \$2.7 million, or 3.7%. The combined net increase in gross local and national advertising revenue of \$14.1 million was primarily the result of (1) the inclusion of local and national advertising revenue of approximately \$11.4 million for 2007 from newly acquired television station WTAJ and (2) advertising revenue generated from the retransmission consent agreements which increased by approximately \$3.5 million compared to the same period in 2006. Advertising revenue from the Telecommunications and Furniture business categories, which increased by approximately \$1.1 million and \$0.4 million during 2007 compared to the prior year, respectively, were offset by declines in advertising revenue from the Insurance, Fast Foods/Restaurants and Department and Retail Stores business categories, which decreased by approximately \$1.0 million, \$0.4 million and \$0.6 million during 2007 compared to the prior year, respectively.

Gross political advertising revenue was \$4.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2007, compared to \$27.0 million for the same period in 2006, a decrease of \$22.7 million, or 84.1%. The decrease in gross political revenue was attributed to statewide and/or local races (primarily in Pennsylvania, Missouri, Illinois, Texas, New York and Indiana) that occurred during the year ended December 31, 2006 as compared to nominal political advertising during the year ended December 31, 2007.

Retransmission compensation was \$11.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2007, compared to \$8.7 million for the same period in 2006, an increase of \$3.1 million, or 35.8%. The increase in retransmission compensation was primarily the result of (1) additional subscriber base for certain content distributors in 2007 compared to 2006, (2) annual rate increases in 2007 for certain retransmission consent agreements and (3) a few additional markets under retransmission consent agreements in 2007.

eMedia revenue, representing revenue generated from non-television web-based advertising, was \$5.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2007, compared to \$0.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2006. The increase in new media revenue was a result of having all of our markets complete implementation of this digital media platform initiative as of June 2007 compared to implementation by only a few initial markets in 2006.

#### *Operating Expenses*

Corporate expenses, related to costs associated with the centralized management of Nexstar's and Mission's stations, were \$13.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2007, compared to \$14.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2006, a decrease of \$1.3 million, or 8.5%. The decrease during the year ended December 31, 2007 was primarily attributed to (1) approximately \$1.0 million less incentive compensation

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recognized in 2007 than in 2006, (2) \$0.3 million less of non-income related taxes incurred in 2007 and (3) \$0.4 million less of audit and tax preparation fees incurred in 2007.

Station direct operating expenses, consisting primarily of news, engineering and programming, net of trade, and selling, general and administrative expenses were \$141.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2007, compared to \$135.1 million for the same period in 2006, an increase of \$6.4 million, or 4.8%. The increase in station direct operating expenses, net of trade, and selling, general and administrative expenses for the year ended

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December 31, 2007 was primarily attributed to the inclusion of such expenses totaling approximately \$5.4 million for 2007 from newly acquired television station WTAJ and additional payroll costs incurred in 2007 mainly as a result of annual merit increases and costs associated with a new department created to develop web-based revenue.

Amortization of broadcast rights, excluding barter, was \$9.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2007, compared to \$8.1 million for the same period in 2006, an increase of \$1.0 million, or 11.9%. The increase was primarily attributed to the amortization of broadcast rights of approximately \$0.6 million for 2007 from newly acquired television station WTAJ.

Amortization of intangible assets was \$25.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2007, compared to \$24.1 million for the same period in 2006, an increase of \$1.6 million, or 6.4%. The increase was primarily related to the amortization of intangible assets of approximately \$1.8 million for 2007 from newly acquired television station WTAJ.

Depreciation of property and equipment was \$20.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2007, compared to \$18.1 million for the same period in 2006, an increase of \$2.1 million, or 11.7%. The increase was primarily attributed to the depreciation of assets of approximately \$1.6 million for 2007 from newly acquired television station WTAJ.

For the year ended December 31, 2007, we recognized a non-cash gain of \$2.0 million from the exchange of equipment under an arrangement we first transacted with Sprint Nextel Corporation during the last three quarters of 2007.

### *Income from Operations*

Income from operations was \$40.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2007, compared to \$45.9 million for the same period in 2006, a decrease of \$5.4 million, or 11.6%. The decrease was primarily the result of the increase in operating expenses, particularly in station direct operating expenses, net of trade, and selling, general and administrative expenses, depreciation and amortization of intangible assets as described above, for the year ended December 31, 2007 compared to the same period in 2006, partially offset by increases in net revenue and gain on asset exchange.

### *Interest Expense*

Interest expense, including amortization of debt financing costs, was \$55.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2007, compared to \$51.8 million for the same period in 2006, an increase of \$3.2 million, or 6.3%. The increase in interest expense was primarily attributed to (1) higher average interest rates incurred during the year ended December 31, 2007 compared to the same period in 2006 under our and Mission's senior credit facilities and (2) a greater amount of average debt outstanding in 2007 under our senior credit facility resulting from the borrowing in connection with our acquisition of WTAJ and WLYH in December 2006.

### *Income Taxes*

Income tax expense was \$5.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2007, compared to \$3.8 million for the same period in 2006, an increase of \$2.0 million, or 52.1%. The increase was primarily due to (1) the recognition of a \$0.5 million benefit from a prior year tax position in the third quarter of 2006, (2) a \$0.5 million reduction in our net deferred tax liabilities position resulting from enactment of the Texas Margin Tax recorded in the second quarter of 2006, (3) a provision for current state income tax of \$0.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2007 related to the Texas Margin Tax and (4) \$0.8 million of income tax expense for the year ended December 31, 2007 related to the increase in deferred tax liabilities in 2007 associated with our newly acquired television station WTAJ. The increase was partially offset by (1) a \$0.5 million reduction in our deferred state income tax provision for the year ended December 31, 2007 resulting from the enactment of recent legislation revising the Texas Margin Tax and its computation of the temporary credit for Texas business loss

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carryovers and (2) the recognition of a \$0.1 million benefit from a prior year tax position in the third quarter of 2007. Our provision for income taxes is primarily created by an increase in the deferred tax liabilities position during the year arising from the amortizing of goodwill and other indefinite-lived intangible assets for income tax purposes which are not amortized for financial reporting purposes. This expense has no impact on our cash flows. No tax benefit was recorded with respect to the losses for 2007 and 2006, as the utilization of such losses is not likely to be realized in the foreseeable future.

**Liquidity and Capital Resources**

We and Mission are highly leveraged, which makes the Company vulnerable to changes in general economic conditions. Our and Mission's ability to meet the future cash requirements described below depends on our and Mission's ability to generate cash in the future, which is subject to general economic, financial, competitive, legislative, regulatory and other conditions, many of which are beyond our and Mission's control. Based on current operations and anticipated future growth, we believe that our and Mission's available cash, anticipated cash flow from operations and available borrowings under the Nexstar and Mission senior credit facilities will be sufficient to fund working capital, capital expenditure requirements, interest payments and scheduled debt principal payments for at least the next twelve months. In order to meet future cash needs we may, from time to time, borrow under credit facilities or issue other long- or short-term debt or equity, if the market and the terms of our existing debt arrangements permit, and Mission may, from time to time, borrow under its available credit facility. We will continue to evaluate the best use of Nexstar's operating cash flow among its capital expenditures, acquisitions and debt reduction.

*Overview*

The following tables present summarized financial information management believes is helpful in evaluating the Company's liquidity and capital resources:

	Nine Months Ended September 30,		2008 (in thousands)	Year Ended December 31,	
	2009	2008		2007	2006
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 9,834	\$ 40,726	\$ 60,648	\$ 36,987	\$ 54,462
Net cash used for investing activities	(30,106)	(25,548)	(38,492)	(18,608)	(79,272)
Net cash provided by (used for) financing activities	23,761	(19,756)	(22,548)	(13,332)	22,502
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	3,489	(4,578)	(392)	5,047	(2,308)
Cash paid for interest	22,228	29,440	39,036	40,575	38,182
Cash paid for income taxes, net	523	178	178	51	36

	Nine Months Ended September 30,		Year Ended December 31,	
	2009	2008	2008	2007
	(in thousands)			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 19,323	\$ 11,648	\$ 15,834	\$ 16,226
Long-term debt including current portions	675,555	666,242	662,117	681,176
Unused commitments under senior secured credit facilities (1)	12,500	69,500	66,500	69,500

- (1) Based on covenant calculations, as of December 31, 2008, \$28.4 million of total unused revolving loan commitments under the Nexstar and Mission credit facilities were available for borrowing. As of September 30, 2009, there was \$12.5 million of total unused revolving loan commitments under the Nexstar and Mission credit facilities. Based on covenant calculations, as of September 30, 2009, \$0 was available for borrowing.

*Cash Flows - Operating Activities*

The comparative net cash flows provided by operating activities decreased by \$30.9 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2009 compared to the same period in 2008. The decrease was primarily due to the overall reduction in our net revenue.

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Cash paid for interest decreased by \$7.2 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2009 compared to the same period in 2008. The decrease was primarily due to lower average interest rates on our variable rate bank debt in 2009 compared to 2008.

The comparative net cash flows provided by operating activities increased by \$23.3 million during the year ended December 31, 2008 compared to the same period in 2007. The increase was primarily due to (1) our increase in net revenue of \$18.1 million, partially offset by an increase in direct operating and general and administrative expenses of \$7.8 million, (2) an increase of \$10.2 million resulting from the timing of collections for accounts receivable and (3) an increase of \$2.3 million related to timing of interest payments on the 11.375% senior discount notes.

Cash paid for interest decreased by \$1.5 million during the year ended December 31, 2008 compared to the same period in 2007. The decrease was due to a decrease in cash payments of interest on our and Mission's bank debt. Cash payments of interest on our and Mission's senior credit facilities were \$19.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2008, compared to \$26.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2007, a decrease of \$6.7 million. The decrease was due to lower average interest rates incurred during the year ended December 31, 2008 compared to the same period in 2007 and a lower level of average debt outstanding in 2008 on the respective credit facilities. The decrease in cash interest paid on bank debt was partially offset by an increase in cash interest paid on the 11.375% senior discount notes, which required cash payments beginning in April 2008.

The comparative net cash flows provided by operating activities decreased by \$17.5 million during the year ended December 31, 2007 compared to the same period in 2006. The decrease was primarily due to (1) less favorable operating results as reflected in the \$10.8 million increase in net loss, (2) a decrease of \$5.3 million resulting from the timing of payments for accounts payable and accrued expenses and (3) a decrease of \$5.3 million resulting from the timing of collections of accounts receivable.

Cash paid for interest increased by \$2.4 million during the year ended December 31, 2007 compared to the same period in 2006. The increase was due to an increase in cash payments of interest on our and Mission's bank debt. Cash payments of interest on our and Mission's senior credit facilities were \$26.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2007, compared to \$24.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2006, an increase of \$2.4 million. The increase was due to higher average interest rates incurred during the year ended December 31, 2007 compared to the same period in 2006 and a greater amount of average debt outstanding in 2007 on the respective credit facilities.

Nexstar and its subsidiaries file a consolidated federal income tax return. Mission files its own separate federal income tax return. Additionally, Nexstar and Mission file their own state and local tax returns as are required. Due to our and Mission's recent history of net operating losses, we and Mission currently do not pay any federal income taxes. These net operating losses may be carried forward, subject to expiration and certain limitations, and used to reduce taxable earnings in future years. Through the use of available loss carryforwards, it is possible that we and Mission may not pay significant amounts of federal income taxes in the foreseeable future.

### *Cash Flows Investing Activities*

The comparative net cash used for investing activities increased by \$4.6 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2009 compared to the same period in 2008. The increase was primarily due to the increase in acquisitions of stations, partially offset by a reduction in capital expenditures and an increase in insurance proceeds for KBTV and KSNF.



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The comparative net cash used for investing activities increased by \$19.5 million during the year ended December 31, 2008 compared to the same period in 2007. The increase was primarily due to increases in purchases of property and equipment and in acquisition-related payments.

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The comparative net cash used for investing activities decreased by \$60.7 million during the year ended December 31, 2007 compared to the same period in 2006. The decrease was primarily due to decreases in purchases of property and equipment and in acquisition-related payments.

Capital expenditures were \$14.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2009, compared to \$18.1 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2008. The decrease was primarily attributable to a significant portion of the digital conversions occurring in 2008.

We project that 2009 full-year capital expenditures will be approximately \$17.0 million, which is expected to include approximately \$8.5 million of digital conversion expenditures. We concluded our digital conversion expenditures during 2009 for a total estimated cost of \$8.5 million.

Capital expenditures were \$30.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2008, compared to \$18.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2007. The increase was primarily attributable to digital conversion expenditures, which was \$23.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2008 compared to \$8.6 million for the same period in 2007.

Capital expenditures were \$18.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2007, compared to \$24.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2006. The decrease was primarily attributable to digital conversion expenditures, which was \$8.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2007 compared to \$14.3 million for the same period in 2006.

Acquisition-related payments for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 consisted of the acquisitions of KARZ for \$3.6 million and the acquisition of WCWJ for \$17.2 million.

Cash used for station acquisitions was \$8.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2008, \$0.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2007 and \$55.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2006.

Acquisition-related payments for the year ended December 31, 2008 included \$7.9 million related to Mission's acquisition of KTVE and \$0.4 million for the down-payment on KARZ. The \$0.4 million of acquisition-related payments in 2007 were for the down payment on the KTVE acquisition.

Acquisition-related payments for the year ended December 31, 2006 consisted of \$55.1 million total consideration, exclusive of transaction costs, for our acquisition of WTAJ and WLYH.

### *Cash Flows Financing Activities*

The comparative net cash from financing activities increased by \$43.5 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2009 compared to the same period in 2008, due primarily to an increase in net borrowings under the revolving credit facility of \$54.0 million partially offset by consideration of \$17.7 million paid to bondholders in the exchange of the 7% senior subordinated notes.

The comparative net cash used for financing activities increased by \$9.2 million during the year ended December 31, 2008 compared to the same period in 2007, primarily due to the repayment of \$56.8 million of senior subordinated debt, partially offset by proceeds from the June 27, 2008 issuance of senior subordinated payment in kind (PIK) notes of \$35 million and also \$13.0 million less in net payments on the revolving credit facility.

The comparative net cash from financing activities decreased by \$35.8 million during the year ended December 31, 2007 compared to the same period in 2006, due to the decrease in the proceeds during 2007 from revolving loan borrowings under our and Mission's senior secured credit facilities and the increase in repayments during 2007 under our and Mission's senior secured credit facilities.

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On April 1, 2008, Nexstar redeemed \$46.9 million of its outstanding 11.375% senior discount notes to ensure they are not Applicable High Yield Discount Obligations within the meaning of Section 163(i)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. In September 2008, the Company repurchased \$5.3 million of the 11.375% notes at par as required by the terms of the senior subordinated PIK notes purchase agreement. In October 2008, Nexstar voluntarily repurchased \$7.5 million of the outstanding 7% senior subordinated notes for approximately \$4.6 million.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2009, there were \$54.0 million of revolving loan borrowings under our and Mission's senior secured credit facilities, compared to \$50.0 million of borrowings and \$50.0 million of repayments under the revolving credit facility for the nine months ended September 30, 2008.

During the year ended December 31, 2008, there were \$3.5 million of scheduled term loan maturities, \$50.0 million of revolving loan repayments and \$53.0 million of revolving loan borrowings under our and Mission's senior secured credit facilities.

During the year ended December 31, 2007, there were \$3.5 million of scheduled term loan maturities, \$18.0 million of revolving loan repayments and \$8.0 million of revolving loan borrowings under our and Mission's senior secured credit facilities.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2009, there were \$2.6 million of repayments under our and Mission's senior secured credit facilities, all consisting of scheduled term loan maturities. Additionally, we purchased \$27.9 million and \$1.0 million (both face amounts) of our 11.375% notes and 7% notes, respectively, for a total of \$10.0 million.

During the year ended December 31, 2006, there were \$15.5 million of repayments under our and Mission's senior secured credit facilities, consisting of scheduled term loan maturities of \$3.5 million and voluntary repayments of \$12.0 million of term loans.

*Future Sources of Financing and Debt Service Requirements*

As of September 30, 2009, Nexstar and Mission had total combined debt of \$675.6 million, which represented 135.7% of Nexstar and Mission's combined capitalization. Our and Mission's high level of debt requires that a substantial portion of cash flow be dedicated to pay principal and interest on debt which reduces the funds available for working capital, capital expenditures, acquisitions and other general corporate purposes.

The following table summarizes the approximate aggregate amount of principal indebtedness scheduled to mature for the periods referenced as of September 30, 2009:

	Total	Remainder of 2009	2010-2011 (in thousands)	2012-2013	Thereafter
Nexstar senior credit facility	\$ 234,768	\$ 439	\$ 3,516	\$ 230,813	\$
Mission senior credit facility	172,792	432	3,454	168,906	
Senior subordinated PIK notes due 2014	42,628				42,628

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7% senior subordinated notes due 2014	47,910				47,910
7% senior subordinated PIK notes due 2014	143,600				143,600
11.375% senior discount notes due 2013	49,981			49,981	
	\$ 691,679	\$ 871	\$ 6,970	\$ 449,700	\$ 234,138

We make semiannual interest payments on our 7% (non-PIK) Notes of on January 15th and July 15th of each year. The 11.375% Notes began to accrue cash interest on April 1, 2008. We make semiannual interest payments on our 11.375% Notes on April 1st and October 1st. Our senior subordinated PIK notes due 2014 will

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begin paying cash interest in 2010 and our 7% senior subordinated PIK notes due 2014 will begin paying cash interest in 2011. Interest payments on our and Mission's senior credit facilities are generally paid every one to three months and are payable based on the type of interest rate selected.

The terms of the Nexstar and Mission senior credit facilities, as well as the indentures governing our publicly-held notes, limit, but do not prohibit us or Mission from incurring substantial amounts of additional debt in the future.

We do not have any rating downgrade triggers that would accelerate the maturity dates of our debt. However, a downgrade in our credit rating could adversely affect our ability to renew existing, or obtain access to new, credit facilities or otherwise issue debt in the future and could increase the cost of such facilities.

*Debt Covenants*

Our senior credit facility agreement contains covenants which require us to comply with certain financial ratios, including: (a) maximum total and senior leverage ratios, (b) a minimum interest coverage ratio, and (c) a minimum fixed charge coverage ratio. The covenants, which are calculated on a quarterly basis, include the combined results of Nexstar Broadcasting and Mission. Mission's senior credit facility agreement does not contain financial covenant ratio requirements; however it does include an event of default if Nexstar does not comply with all covenants contained in its credit agreement. The senior subordinated notes and senior discount notes contain restrictive covenants customary for borrowing arrangements of this type.

On October 8, 2009, Nexstar amended its senior credit facility to modify certain terms of the underlying credit agreement. The modifications included, but are not limited to, changes to financial covenants, including the Consolidated Total Leverage Ratio and Consolidated Senior Leverage Ratio, a general tightening of the exceptions to the negative covenants (principally by means of reducing the types and amounts of permitted transactions) and an increase to the interest rates and fees payable with respect to the borrowings under the amended credit agreement. The following table compares the old and new covenant requirements.

	Prior	As Amended
<b>Consolidated Total Leverage Ratio:</b>		
July 1, 2009 through September 30, 2009	6.50 to 1.00	6.75 to 1.00
October 1, 2009 to December 31, 2009	6.50 to 1.00	8.75 to 1.00
January 1, 2010 through March 31, 2010	6.50 to 1.00	9.50 to 1.00
April 1, 2010 through June 30, 2010	6.50 to 1.00	10.25 to 1.00
July 1, 2010 through September 30, 2010	6.25 to 1.00	9.25 to 1.00
October 1, 2010 through and including March 31, 2011	6.25 to 1.00	7.75 to 1.00
April 1, 2011 and thereafter	6.00 to 1.00	6.00 to 1.00
<b>Consolidated Senior Leverage Ratio:</b>		
July 1, 2009 through September 30, 2009	4.50 to 1.00	5.50 to 1.00
October 1, 2009 to December 31, 2009	4.50 to 1.00	7.00 to 1.00
January 1, 2010 through March 31, 2010	4.25 to 1.00	7.00 to 1.00
April 1, 2010 through June 30, 2010	4.25 to 1.00	7.50 to 1.00
July 1, 2010 through September 30, 2010	4.25 to 1.00	6.75 to 1.00
October 1, 2010 through and including March 31, 2011	4.25 to 1.00	5.50 to 1.00
April 1, 2011 and thereafter	4.00 to 1.00	4.00 to 1.00

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The Amended Nexstar Credit Agreement revises the calculation of Consolidated Total Leverage Ratio to exclude the netting of cash and cash equivalents against total debt.

On an annual basis following the delivery of Nexstar's Broadcasting, Inc. s year end financial statements, the Amended Nexstar Credit Agreement requires mandatory prepayments of principal, as well as a permanent

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reduction in revolving credit commitments, subject to a computation of excess cash flow for the preceding fiscal year. The amended agreement also places additional restrictions on the use of proceeds from asset sales, equity issuances, or debt issuances (with the result that such proceeds, subject to certain exceptions, be used for mandatory prepayments of principal and permanent reductions in revolving credit commitments), and includes an anti-cash hoarding provision which requires that the Company utilize unrestricted cash and cash equivalent balances in excess of \$15.0 million to repay principal amounts outstanding, but not permanently reduce capacity, under the revolving credit facility.

The Amended Nexstar Credit Agreement also revised the interest rate provisions. As amended, borrowings under the Facility may bear interest at either (i) a Eurodollar Rate, which has been amended to include an interest rate floor equal to 1% or (ii) a Base Rate, which, as amended, is defined as the greater of (1) the sum of 1/2 of 1% plus the Federal Funds Rate, (2) Bank of America, N.A.'s prime rate and (3) the sum of (x) 1% plus (y) the Eurodollar Rate. The definition of applicable margin was changed to eliminate the pricing grid and replace it with a fixed rate. As amended, the applicable margin for Eurodollar loans is a rate per annum equal to 4% and the applicable margin for Base Rate loans is a rate per annum equal to 3%.

On October 8, 2009, Mission also amended its credit facility and made changes to its credit agreement that generally mirror the changes made to the Nexstar credit agreement.

The Amended Nexstar Credit Agreement expanded certain cross-default provisions such that the breach of certain warranties, representations or covenants under the Amended Mission Credit Agreement now constitute an event of default under the Amended Nexstar Credit Agreement.

As of September 30, 2009, we were in compliance with all indentures governing the publicly-held notes. As of September 30, 2009, we were not in compliance with all covenants contained in the credit agreements governing our senior credit facility. On October 8, 2009, we amended our credit facility to modify certain covenants. See Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations Recent Developments for a more complete discussion of the credit facility amendment. The October 8, 2009 debt amendment contained a limited waiver for the leverage ratios which cured the violation as of September 30, 2009.

On March 30, 2009, we closed an offer to exchange \$143,600,000 of the 7% senior subordinated notes due 2014 in exchange for \$142,320,761 7% senior subordinated PIK Notes due 2014 (the PIK Notes). Based on the financial covenants in the senior credit facility, the PIK Notes are not included in the debt amount used to calculate the total leverage ratio until January 2011. In addition to the debt exchange, we have undertaken certain actions as part of our efforts to ensure we will be in compliance with our debt covenants including 1) the elimination of corporate bonuses for 2008 and 2009, 2) the consolidation of various back office processes in certain markets, 3) the execution of a management services agreement whereby Nexstar operates seven stations in exchange for a service fee, 4) the consummation of a purchase agreement on March 12, 2009 to acquire all the assets of KARZ and the consummation of a purchase agreement on May 1, 2009 to acquire all the assets of WCWJ, 5) the October 8, 2009 amendment to the senior credit facility, which modified certain covenants and 6) obtaining the limited waiver of the leverage ratios as of September 30, 2009, in conjunction with the credit amendments.

We believe the consummation of the exchange offer along with the debt amendment and other actions described above, will allow us to maintain compliance with all covenants contained in the credit agreements governing our senior secured facility and the indentures governing our publicly held notes for a period of at least the next twelve months from September 30, 2009. However, no assurance can be provided that our actions will be successful or that further adverse events outside of our control may arise that would result in our inability to comply with the debt covenants. In such event, we would consider a range of transactions or strategies to address any such situation. For example, we might decide to divest non-core assets, refinance our existing debt or obtain additional equity financing. There is no assurance that any such transactions, or any other transactions, or strategies we might consider, could be consummated on terms satisfactory to us or at all.





**Table of Contents***Cash Requirements for Digital Television ( DTV ) Conversion*

On June 12, 2009 all full-power television broadcasters were required to cease operating in an analog format and operate exclusively in digital (DTV) format. As of November 30, 2009, all of Nexstar's and Mission's stations have completed the transition to digital operations; however, Nexstar is working with the FCC with respect to KMID's authorization.

DTV conversion expenditures were \$23.3 million, \$8.6 million and \$14.3 million, respectively, for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006. DTV conversion expenditures were \$8.2 million and \$13.5 million, respectively, for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

*No Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements*

At December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006 and September 30, 2009, we did not have any relationships with unconsolidated entities or financial partnerships, such as entities often referred to as structured finance or variable interest entities, which would have been established for the purpose of facilitating off-balance sheet arrangements or other contractually narrow or limited purposes. All of our arrangements with Mission are on-balance sheet arrangements. We are, therefore, not materially exposed to any financing, liquidity, market or credit risk that could arise if we had engaged in such relationships.

*Contractual Obligations*

The following summarizes Nexstar's and Mission's contractual obligations at December 31, 2008, and the effect such obligations are expected to have on the Company's liquidity and cash flow in future periods:

	Total	2009	2010-2011	2012-2013	Thereafter
	(dollars in thousands)				
Nexstar senior credit facility	\$ 182,087	1,758	3,516	176,813	
Mission senior credit facility	174,087	1,727	3,454	168,906	
Senior subordinated PIK notes due 2014	42,628				42,628
7% senior subordinated notes due 2014 (3)	192,486				192,486
11.375% senior discount notes due 2013	77,820			77,820	
Cash interest on debt	188,810	34,237	81,864	62,775	9,934
Broadcast rights current cash commitments (1)	11,941	6,366	4,425	1,150	
Broadcast rights future cash commitments	13,390	1,979	8,789	2,524	98
Executive employee contracts (2)	27,372	7,142	13,968	6,262	
Operating lease obligations	63,036	4,236	8,132	8,738	41,930
KWBF purchase price obligation	3,600	3,600			
Total contractual cash obligations	977,257	61,045	124,148	505,194	286,870

(1) Excludes broadcast rights barter payable commitments recorded on the financial statements at December 31, 2008 in the amount of \$13.8 million.

(2) Includes the employment contracts for all corporate executive employees and general managers of our stations.

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See Note 24 in Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements on page F-84 of this document for discussion of debt exchange involving the 7% senior subordinated notes.

As discussed in Note 16, Income Taxes, on page F-68 of the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements, we adopted interpretive guidance related to accounting or uncertainty in income taxes as of January 1, 2008. At December 31, 2008, we had \$3.7 million of unrecognized tax benefits. This liability represents an estimate of tax positions that the corporation has taken in its tax returns which may ultimately not be sustained upon examination by the tax authorities. The resolution of these tax positions may not require cash settlement due to the existence of net operating loss carryforwards.

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### **Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates**

Our consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP, which requires us to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the consolidated financial statements and reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the period. On an ongoing basis, we evaluate our estimates, including those related to goodwill and intangible assets, bad debts, broadcast rights, trade and barter, income taxes, commitments and contingencies. We base our estimates on historical experience and on various other assumptions that we believe to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis for making judgments about the carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ from those estimates.

For an overview of our significant accounting policies, we refer you to Note 2 of our consolidated financial statements on page F-41. We believe the following critical accounting policies are those that are the most important to the presentation of our consolidated financial statements, affect our more significant estimates and assumptions, and require the most subjective or complex judgments by management.

#### *Consolidation of Mission and Variable Interest Entities*

Our consolidated financial statements include the accounts of independently-owned Mission and certain other entities when it has been determined that the Company is the primary beneficiary of a variable interest entity ( VIE ). Under U.S. GAAP, a company must consolidate an entity when it has a controlling financial interest resulting from ownership of a majority of the entity's voting rights. Accounting standards expand the definition of controlling financial interest to include factors other than equity ownership and voting rights.

In applying these accounting standards, we must base our decision to consolidate an entity on quantitative and qualitative factors that indicate whether or not we are absorbing a majority of the entity's economic risks or receiving a majority of the entity's economic rewards. Our evaluation of the risks and rewards model must be an ongoing process and may alter as facts and circumstances change.

Mission is included in our consolidated financial statements because we believe we have a controlling financial interest in Mission as a result of local service agreements we have with each of Mission's stations, our guarantee of the obligations incurred under Mission's senior credit facility and purchase options (which expire on various dates between 2011 and 2018) granted by Mission's sole shareholder which will permit us to acquire the assets and assume the liabilities of each Mission station, subject to FCC consent. We expect these option agreements to be renewed upon expiration.

In addition, generally in connection with acquisitions, the Company enters into time brokerage agreements ( TBA ) and begins programming and selling advertising for a station before receiving FCC consent to the transfer of the station's ownership and broadcast license. We include a station programmed under a TBA in our consolidated financial statements because we believe that we have a controlling financial interest in the station as a result of the Company assuming the credit risk of advertising revenue it sells on the station, its obligation to pay for substantially all the station's reasonable operating expenses, as required under the TBA agreement, and in connection with our entry into a purchase agreement, that the sale of the station and transfer of the station's broadcast license will occur within a reasonable period of time.

#### *Valuation of Goodwill and Intangible Assets*

Approximately \$390.5 million, or 62.3%, of our total assets as of December 31, 2008 consisted of unamortized intangible assets. Intangible assets principally include FCC licenses, goodwill and network affiliation agreements. If the fair value of these assets is less than the carrying value, we may be required to record an impairment charge.

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As required by the authoritative guidance for goodwill and other intangible assets, we test the impairment of our FCC licenses annually or whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that such assets might be impaired. The impairment test consists of a comparison of the fair value of FCC licenses with their carrying amount on a station-by-station basis using a discounted cash flow valuation method, assuming a hypothetical startup scenario.

Also as required by the authoritative guidance for goodwill and other intangible assets, we test the impairment of our goodwill annually or whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that goodwill might be impaired. The first step of the goodwill impairment test compares the fair value of the market ( reporting unit ) to its carrying amount, including goodwill. The fair value of a reporting unit is determined through the use of a discounted cash flow analysis. The valuation assumptions used in the discounted cash flow model reflect historical performance of the reporting unit and the prevailing values in the markets for broadcasting properties. If the fair value of the reporting unit exceeds its carrying amount, goodwill is not considered impaired. If the carrying amount of the reporting unit exceeds its fair value, the second step of the goodwill impairment test is performed to measure the amount of impairment loss, if any. The second step of the goodwill impairment test compares the implied fair value of goodwill with the carrying amount of that goodwill. The implied fair value of goodwill is determined by performing an assumed purchase price allocation, using the reporting unit 's fair value (as determined in the first step described above) as the purchase price. If the carrying amount of goodwill exceeds the implied fair value, an impairment loss is recognized in an amount equal to that excess but not more than the carrying value of goodwill.

In accordance with the authoritative guidance for accounting for long-lived assets, the Company tests network affiliation agreements whenever events or circumstances indicate that their carrying amount may not be recoverable, relying on a number of factors including operating results, business plans, economic projections and anticipated future cash flows. An impairment in the carrying amount of a network affiliation agreement is recognized when the expected future operating cash flow derived from the operations to which the asset relates is less than its carrying value.

We tested our network affiliation, FCC licenses and goodwill for impairment as of September 30, 2008, between the required annual tests, because we believed events had occurred and circumstances changed that would more likely than not reduce the fair value of our reporting units below their carrying amounts and that our FCC licenses and network affiliation agreements might be impaired. These events included the decline in overall economic conditions and the resulting decline in advertising revenues at some of our television stations. We recorded an impairment charge of \$48.5 million as a result of that test which included an impairment to the carrying values of FCC licenses of \$19.7 million, related to 12 of our television stations; an impairment to the carrying value of network affiliation agreements of \$1.0 million, related to 3 of our television stations; and an impairment to the carrying values of goodwill of \$27.8 million, related to 5 reporting units consisting of 6 of our television stations.

We performed our annual test for impairment at December 31, 2008 and due to the continued decline in overall economic conditions during the fourth quarter of 2008 and the further decline in our forecasts for advertising revenues at some stations, the Company recorded an additional \$33.9 million in impairment charges, for an annual total of \$82.4 million. Of the additional \$33.9 million impairment charges, \$21.7 million was for FCC licenses, related to 21 of our television stations, \$1.1 million was for network affiliation agreements related to 2 television stations, and \$11.1 million was for goodwill, related to 8 reporting units consisting of 10 of our television stations.

Further deterioration in the advertising marketplaces in which Nexstar and Mission operate could lead to further impairment and reduction of the carrying value of the Company 's goodwill and intangible assets, including FCC licenses and network affiliation agreements. If such a condition were to occur, the resulting non-cash charge could have a material adverse effect on Nexstar and Mission 's financial position and results of operations.

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The tables below illustrate how assumptions used in the fair value calculations varied from third quarter to fourth quarter 2008. The increase in the discount rate reflects the current volatility of stock prices of public companies within the media sector along with the increase in the corporate borrowing rate. The changes in the market growth rates and operating profit margins reflect the current general economic pressures now impacting both the national and a number of local economies, and specifically, national and local advertising expenditures in the markets where our stations operate.

The assumptions used in the valuation testing have certain subjective components including anticipated future operating results and cash flows based on our own internal business plans as well as future expectations about general economic and local market conditions.

We based the valuation of FCC licenses at December 31, 2008 and September 30, 2008 on the following basic assumptions:

	<b>December 31, 2008</b>	<b>September 30, 2008</b>
Market growth rates	2.0% to 2.8%	2.0% to 2.8%
Operating profit margins	11.9% to 33.7%	12.1% to 34.1%
Discount rate	10.8%	9.5%
Tax rate	34.0% to 40.6%	34.0% to 40.6%
Capitalization rate	8.0% to 8.8%	6.8% to 7.5%

We based the valuation of network affiliation agreements at December 31, 2008 and September 30, 2008 on the following basic assumptions:

	<b>December 31, 2008</b>	<b>September 30, 2008</b>
Market growth rates	2.0% to 2.8%	2.0% to 2.8%
Operating profit margins	20.0% to 42.1%	14.3% to 42.6%
Discount rate	10.8%	9.5%
Tax rate	34.0% to 40.6%	34.0% to 40.6%
Capitalization rate	8.0% to 8.8%	6.8% to 7.5%

We based the valuation of goodwill at December 31, 2008 and September 30, 2008 on the following basic assumptions:

	<b>December 31, 2008</b>	<b>September 30, 2008</b>
Market revenue growth	2.0% to 2.8%	2.0% to 2.8%
Operating profit margins	20.0% to 42.1%	20.0% to 42.6%
Discount rate	10.8%	9.5%
Tax rate	34.0% to 40.6%	34.0% to 40.6%
Capitalization rate	8.0% to 8.8%	6.8% to 7.5%

As noted above, we are required under the authoritative guidance to test our indefinite-lived intangible assets on an annual basis or whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that these assets might be impaired.

*Allowance for Doubtful Accounts*

We maintain allowances for doubtful accounts for estimated losses resulting from the inability of our customers to make required payments. We evaluate the collectability of our accounts receivable based on a combination of factors. In circumstances where we are aware of a specific customer's inability to meet its financial obligations, we record a specific reserve to reduce the amounts recorded to what we believe will be



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collected. If the financial condition of our customers were to deteriorate, resulting in their inability to make payments, additional allowances may be required. Allowance for doubtful accounts were \$0.8 million and \$1.2 million at December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively.

### *Broadcast Rights Carrying Amount*

Broadcast rights are stated at the lower of unamortized cost or net realizable value. Cash broadcast rights are initially recorded at the amount paid or payable to program distributors for the limited right to broadcast the distributors' programming. Barter broadcast rights are recorded at our estimate of the value of the advertising time exchanged, which approximates the fair value of the programming received. The value of the advertising time exchanged is estimated by applying average historical rates for specific time periods. Amortization of broadcast rights is computed using the straight-line method based on the license period or programming usage, whichever period yields the shorter life. The current portion of broadcast rights represents those rights available for broadcast which will be amortized in the succeeding year. When projected future net revenue associated with a program is less than the current carrying amount of the program broadcast rights, for example, due to poor ratings, we write-down the unamortized cost of the broadcast rights to equal the amount of projected future net revenue. If the expected broadcast period was shortened or cancelled we would be required to write-off the remaining value of the related broadcast rights to operations on an accelerated basis or possibly immediately. As of December 31, 2008, the amounts of current broadcast rights and non-current broadcast rights were \$14.3 million and \$9.3 million, respectively.

### *Trade and Barter Transactions*

We trade certain advertising time for various goods and services. These transactions are recorded at the estimated fair value of the goods or services received. We barter advertising time for certain program material. These transactions, except those involving exchange of advertising time for network programming, are recorded at management's estimate of the value of the advertising time exchanged, which approximates the fair value of the program material received. The value of advertising time exchanged is estimated by applying average historical advertising rates for specific time periods. We recorded barter revenue of \$11.7 million, \$12.4 million and \$11.6 million for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively. Trade revenue of \$6.6 million, \$7.0 million and \$7.4 million was recorded for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively. We incurred trade and barter expense of \$17.9 million, \$18.4 million and \$18.7 million for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively.

### *Income Taxes*

We account for income taxes in accordance with applicable accounting and disclosure requirements for income taxes. Pursuant to these requirements, we account for income taxes under the asset and liability method which requires the recognition of deferred tax assets and liabilities for the expected future tax consequences of temporary differences between the carrying amounts and tax basis of assets and liabilities. A valuation allowance is applied against net deferred tax assets if, based on the weight of available evidence, it is more likely than not that some or all of the deferred tax assets will not be realized. While we have considered future taxable income and feasible tax planning strategies in assessing the need for a valuation allowance, in the event that we were to determine that we would not be able to realize all or part of our deferred tax assets in the future, an adjustment to the valuation allowance would be charged to income in the period such a determination was made.

On January 1, 2007, we adopted interpretive guidance related to income taxes, which addresses the determination of whether tax benefits claimed or expected to be claimed on a tax return should be recorded in the financial statements. Under this guidance, we may recognize the tax benefit from an uncertain tax position only if it is more likely than not that the tax position will be sustained on examination by the taxing

authorities. The determination is based on the technical merits of the position and presumes that each uncertain tax position will be examined by the relevant taxing authority that has full knowledge of all relevant information. For interest and penalties relating to income taxes we recognize these items as components of income tax expense.

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### *Stock Option Expense Recognition*

Effective January 1, 2006, we adopted accounting and disclosure requirements related to share-based payments, which requires all share-based payments to employees, including grants of employee stock options, to be recognized in the financial statements based on their fair value. We recognize the expense related to our stock options over the period that the employee is required to provide services, and only to the extent the awards vest. Therefore, we apply an estimated forfeiture rate assumption to adjust compensation cost for the effect of those employees that are not expected to complete the requisite service period and will forfeit nonvested options. We base the forfeiture rate assumption on Nexstar's historical experience of award forfeitures, and as necessary, adjusted for certain events that are not expected to recur during the expected term of the option.

We determine the fair value of employee stock options at the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option pricing model. Our valuation of employee stock options relies on assumptions of factors we are required to input into the Black-Scholes model. These assumptions are highly subjective and involve an estimate of future uncertain events. The option pricing model requires us to input factors for expected stock price volatility and the expected term until exercise of the option award. Due to our limited history of publicly traded shares, we combine our historical stock price data and volatilities of peer companies in the television broadcasting industry when determining expected volatility. Based on a lack of historical option exercise experience, we use the weighted-average of the holding periods for all options granted to determine the expected term assumption. Utilizing historical exercise and post-vesting cancellation experience of Nexstar's stock option awards, the expected term is the average interval between the grant and exercise or post-vesting cancellation dates.

### *Claims and Loss Contingencies*

In the normal course of business, we are party to various claims and legal proceedings. We record a liability for these matters when an adverse outcome is probable and the amount of loss is reasonably estimated. We consider a combination of factors when estimating probable losses, including judgments about potential actions by counterparties.

### *Nonmonetary Asset Exchanges*

In connection with a spectrum allocation exchange ordered by the FCC within the 1.9 GHz band, Sprint Nextel Corporation ( Nextel ) is required to replace certain existing analog equipment with comparable digital equipment. The Company has agreed to accept the substitute equipment that Nextel will provide and in turn must relinquish its existing equipment to Nextel. Neither party will have any continuing involvement in the equipment transferred following the exchange. We account for this arrangement as an exchange of assets in accordance with accounting and disclosure requirements for exchanges of nonmonetary assets.

These transactions are recorded at the estimated fair market value of the equipment received. We derive our estimate of fair market value from the most recent prices paid to manufacturers and vendors for the specific equipment we acquire. As equipment is exchanged, the Company records a gain to the extent that the fair market value of the equipment received exceeds the carrying amount of the equipment relinquished.

### **Recent Accounting Pronouncements**

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The Company adopted, effective January 1, 2008, the Financial Accounting Standard Board's (the FASB) accounting and disclosure requirements pertaining to fair value measurements for financial assets and financial liabilities measured on a recurring basis. These requirements apply to all financial assets and financial liabilities that are being measured and reported on a fair value basis. There was no impact for adoption of this standard to the Consolidated Financial Statements as it relates to financial assets and financial liabilities. The new standard requires disclosure that establishes a framework for measuring fair value and expands disclosure about fair value.

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measurements. The standard requires fair value measurement be classified and disclosed in one of the following three categories:

Level 1: Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets that are accessible at the measurement date for identical, unrestricted assets or liabilities;

Level 2: Quoted prices in markets that are not active, or inputs which are observable, either directly or indirectly, for substantially the full term of the asset or liability;

Level 3: Prices or valuation techniques that require inputs that are both significant to the fair value measurement and unobservable (i.e., supported by little or no market activity).

In February 2008, the FASB deferred the effective date of the above standard to January 1, 2009 for all nonfinancial assets and liabilities, except those that are recognized or disclosed at fair value on a recurring basis (that is, at least annually). Management is currently evaluating the impact the adoption of this standard will have on the Company's consolidated financial statements, but does not presently anticipate it will have a material effect on its consolidated financial position or results of operations.

In February 2007, the FASB issued new guidance, which provides a fair value measurement option for eligible financial assets and liabilities. Under this guidance, an entity is permitted to elect to apply fair value accounting to a single eligible item, subject to certain exceptions, without electing it for other identical items and include unrealized gains and losses in earnings. The fair value option established by this guidance is irrevocable, unless a new election date occurs. This standard reduces the complexity in accounting for financial instruments and mitigates volatility in earnings caused by measuring related assets and liabilities differently. This standard is effective as of the beginning of an entity's first fiscal year beginning after November 15, 2007 which for the Company was January 1, 2008. Early adoption is permitted as of the beginning of the previous fiscal year provided that the entity makes that choice in the first 120 days of that fiscal year and also elects to apply the provisions of certain other guidance related to fair value measurement. The Company adopted the provisions of this standard beginning in fiscal 2008. Management determined that the adoption had no effect on its consolidated financial position or results of operations.

In December 2007, the FASB issued authoritative guidance for business combinations, which establishes principles and requirements for how the acquirer of a business recognizes and measures in its financial statements the identifiable assets acquired, the liabilities assumed, and any noncontrolling interest in the acquiree. This standard also provides guidance for recognizing and measuring the goodwill acquired in the business combination and determines what information to disclose to enable users of the financial statements to evaluate the nature and financial effects of the business combination. This standard is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2008. Early adoption is not permitted. Management is currently evaluating the impact the adoption of the standard will have on the Company's consolidated financial statements, but does not presently anticipate it will have a material impact on its consolidated financial position or results of operations.

In December 2007, the FASB issued authoritative guidance, which establishes accounting and reporting standards for the noncontrolling interest in a subsidiary and for the deconsolidation of a subsidiary. It clarifies that a noncontrolling interest in a subsidiary is an ownership interest in the consolidated entity that should be reported as equity in the consolidated financial statements. This standard is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2008. Management is currently evaluating the impact the adoption of the standard will have on the Company's consolidated financial statements, but does not presently anticipate it will have a material effect on its consolidated financial position or results of operations.

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In April 2008, the FASB issued guidance related to the determination of the useful life of intangible assets, which amends the factors that should be considered in developing renewal or extension assumptions used to determine the useful life of a recognized intangible asset under the accounting and disclosure requirements

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related to goodwill and other intangible assets. This guidance is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2008 and only applies prospectively to intangible assets acquired after the effective date. Early adoption is not permitted. Management is currently evaluating the impact that this guidance will have on our consolidated financial position or results of operations.

Refer to Note 2 of our condensed consolidated financial statements on page F-48 of this prospectus for a discussion of recently issued accounting pronouncements, including our expected date of adoption and effects on results of operations and financial position.

**Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk**

*Interest Rate Risk*

Our exposure to market risk for changes in interest rates relates primarily to our long-term debt obligations.

The term loan borrowings at September 30, 2009 under the senior credit facilities bear interest at a weighted average interest rate of 2.13%, which represented the base rate, or LIBOR, plus the applicable margin, as defined. The revolving loan borrowings at September 30, 2009 under the senior credit facilities bear interest at a weighted average interest rate of 1.98%, which represented the base rate, or LIBOR, plus the applicable margin, as defined. Interest is payable in accordance with the credit agreements.

The following table estimates the changes to cash flow from operations as of September 30, 2009 if interest rates were to fluctuate by 100 or 50 basis points, or BPS (where 100 basis points represents one percentage point), for a twelve-month period:

	Interest rate decrease		Interest rate increase	
	100 BPS (in thousands)	50 BPS	50 BPS	100 BPS (in thousands)
Senior credit facilities	\$ 4,076	\$ 2,038	\$ (2,038)	\$ (4,076)

All term loan borrowings at December 31, 2008 under the senior credit facilities bear interest at 3.21%, which represented the base rate, or LIBOR, plus the applicable margin, as defined. Revolving loan borrowings at December 31, 2008 under Nexstar's senior credit facility bear interest at 4.67% and 2.71%, which represented the base rate, or LIBOR, plus the applicable margin, as defined. All revolving loan borrowings at December 31, 2008 under Mission's senior credit facility bear interest at 2.71%, which represented the base rate, or LIBOR, plus the applicable margin, as defined. Interest is payable in accordance with the credit agreements.

The following table estimates the changes to cash flow from operations as of December 31, 2008 if interest rates were to fluctuate by 100 or 50 basis points, or BPS (where 100 basis points represents one percentage point), for a twelve-month period:

	Interest rate decrease		Interest rate increase	
	100 BPS (in thousands)	50 BPS (in thousands)	100 BPS (in thousands)	50 BPS (in thousands)
Senior credit facilities	\$ 3,562	\$ 1,781	\$ (1,781)	\$ (3,562)

Our 7% notes, our two senior subordinated PIK notes due 2014, and our 11.375% senior discount notes due 2013 are fixed rate debt obligations and therefore do not result in a change in our cash flow from operations. As of September 30, 2009, we have no financial instruments in place to hedge against changes in the benchmark interest rates on this fixed rate debt.



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The fair value of long-term fixed interest rate debt is also subject to interest rate risk. Generally, the fair value of fixed interest rate debt will increase as interest rates fall and decrease as interest rates rise. The estimated fair value of the Company's total long-term debt at December 31, 2008 was approximately \$442.5 million, which was approximately \$219.6 million less than its carrying value. Fair values are determined from quoted market prices where available or based on estimates made by investment banking firms.

Given the interest rates that were in effect at December 31, 2007, as of that date, we estimated that our cash flows from operations would have increased by approximately \$3.6 million and \$1.8 million, respectively, for a 100 BPS and 50 BPS interest rate decrease, and decreased by approximately \$1.8 million and \$3.6 million, respectively, for a 50 BPS and 100 BPS interest rate increase. The estimated fair value of the Company's total long-term debt at December 31, 2007 was approximately \$671.4 million, which was approximately \$9.8 million less than its carrying value.

*Impact of Inflation*

We believe that our results of operations are not affected by moderate changes in the inflation rate.

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### **BUSINESS**

#### **Overview**

We are a television broadcasting company focused exclusively on the acquisition, development and operation of television stations in medium-sized markets in the United States, primarily markets that rank from 50 to 175 out of the 210 generally recognized television markets, as reported by A.C. Nielsen Company. As of September 30, 2009, we owned and operated 34 stations, and provided sales or other services to an additional 25 stations that are owned by Mission and other entities. In 21 of the 34 markets that we serve, we own, operate, program or provide sales and other services to more than one station. We refer to these markets as duopoly markets. We have more than doubled the size of our portfolio since January 1, 2003, having acquired 20 stations and begun providing services to 17 additional stations. The stations that we own, operate, program or provide sales and other services to are in markets located in New York, Pennsylvania, Illinois, Indiana, Missouri, Texas, Louisiana, Arkansas, Alabama, Utah, Florida, Montana, Rhode Island and Maryland. These stations are diverse in their network affiliations: 47 have primary affiliation agreements with one of the four major networks—15 with FOX, 12 with NBC, 9 with ABC and 11 with CBS. Seven of the remaining twelve stations have agreements with MyNetworkTV; four stations have an agreement with The CW and one station has an agreement with Azteca America.

On October 7, 2008, Nexstar Broadcasting Group, Inc. announced that it entered into a definitive agreement to acquire the assets of KWBF the MyNetworkTV affiliate serving the Little Rock, Arkansas market for \$4.0 million from Equity Broadcasting Corp. In February 2009 the station was re-launched under the call letters KARZ-TV. Closing of the acquisition occurred on March 12, 2009.

As of January 1, 2009, KBTW in Beaumont, Texas became a FOX affiliate. KBTW's NBC network affiliation expired on December 31, 2008.

On January 28, 2009, Nexstar entered into a definitive agreement to acquire the assets of WCWJ, a CW affiliate serving the Jacksonville, Florida market. This transaction received FCC approval and closed on May 1, 2009.

We believe that medium-sized markets offer significant advantages over large-sized markets, most of which result from a lower level of competition. First, because there are fewer well-capitalized acquirers with a medium-market focus, we have been successful in purchasing stations on more favorable terms than acquirers of large market stations. Second, in the majority of our markets only five or fewer local commercial television stations exist. As a result, we achieve lower programming costs than stations in larger markets because the supply of quality programming exceeds the demand.

The stations we own and operate or provide services to provide free over-the-air programming to our markets' television viewing audiences. This programming includes (a) programs produced by networks with which the stations are affiliated; (b) programs that the stations produce; and (c) first-run and rerun syndicated programs that the stations acquire. Our primary source of revenue is the sale of commercial air time to local and national advertisers.

We seek to grow our revenue and broadcast cash flow by increasing the audience and revenue shares of the stations we own, operate, program or provide sales and other services to. We strive to increase the audience share of the stations by creating a strong local broadcasting presence based on highly rated local news, local sports coverage and active community sponsorship. We seek to improve revenue share by employing and supporting a high-quality local sales force that leverages the stations' strong local brand and community presence with local advertisers.

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Additionally, we further improve broadcast cash flow by maintaining strict control over operating and programming costs. The benefits achieved through these initiatives are magnified in our duopoly markets by broadcasting the programming of multiple networks, capitalizing on multiple sales forces and achieving an

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increased level of operational efficiency. As a result of our operational enhancements, we expect revenue from the stations we have acquired or begun providing services to in the last four years to grow faster than that of our more mature stations.

We completed our initial public offering on November 28, 2003. Concurrent with our offering, we completed a corporate reorganization whereby our predecessor, Nexstar Broadcasting Group, L.L.C., and certain direct and indirect subsidiaries of Nexstar Broadcasting Group, L.L.C. merged with and into us. Nexstar Broadcasting Group, L.L.C. was organized as a limited liability company on December 12, 1996 in the State of Delaware and commenced operations on April 15, 1997.

Our principal offices are at 5215 North O Connor Blvd., Suite 1400, Irving, TX 75039. Our telephone number is (972) 373-8800 and our website is <http://www.nexstar.tv>.

## **Operating Strategy**

We seek to generate revenue and broadcast cash flow growth through the following strategies:

*Develop Leading Local Franchises.* Each of the stations that we own, operate, program, or provide sales and other services to creates a highly recognizable local brand, primarily through the quality of local news programming and community presence. Based on internally generated analysis, we believe that in approximately two-thirds of our markets that feature local newscasts produced by Nexstar, we rank among the top two stations in local news viewership. Strong local news typically generates higher ratings among attractive demographic profiles and enhances audience loyalty, which may result in higher ratings for programs both preceding and following the news. High ratings and strong community identity make the stations that we own, operate, program, or provide sales and other services to more attractive to local advertisers. For the year ended December 31, 2008 we earned approximately one-third of our advertising revenue from spots aired during local news programming. As of December 31, 2008, our stations and the stations we provide services to provided approximately 675 hours per week of local news programming. Extensive local sports coverage and active sponsorship of community events further differentiate us from our competitors and strengthen our community relationships and our local advertising appeal.

*Emphasize Local Sales.* We employ a high-quality local sales force in each of our markets to increase revenue from local advertisers by capitalizing on our investment in local programming. We believe that local advertising is attractive because our sales force is more effective with local advertisers, giving us a greater ability to influence this revenue source. Additionally, local advertising has historically been a more stable source of revenue than national advertising for television broadcasters. For the year ended December 31, 2008, revenue generated from local advertising represented 72.2% of our consolidated spot revenue (total of local and national advertising revenue, excluding political advertising revenue). In most of our markets, we have increased the size and quality of our local sales force. We also invest in our sales efforts by implementing comprehensive training programs and employing a sophisticated inventory tracking system to help maximize advertising rates and the amount of inventory sold in each time period.

*Operate Duopoly Markets.* Owning or providing services to more than one station in a given market enables us to broaden our audience share, enhance our revenue share and achieve significant operating efficiencies. Duopoly markets broaden audience share by providing programming from multiple networks with different targeted demographics. These markets increase revenue share by capitalizing on multiple sales forces. Additionally, we achieve significant operating efficiencies by consolidating physical facilities, eliminating redundant management and leveraging capital expenditures between stations. We derived approximately 71.3% of our net broadcast revenue for the year ended December 31, 2008 from our duopoly markets.

*Maintain Strict Cost Controls.* We emphasize strict controls on operating and programming costs in order to increase broadcast cash flow. We continually seek to identify and implement cost savings at each of our stations

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and the stations we provide services to and our overall size benefits each station with respect to negotiating favorable terms with programming suppliers and other vendors. By leveraging our size and corporate management expertise, we are able to achieve economies of scale by providing programming, financial, sales and marketing support to our stations and the stations we provide services to. Due to the significant negotiating leverage afforded by limited competition in our markets, Nexstar and Mission on a combined basis reduced the cash broadcast payments as a percentage of net broadcast revenue for the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007 as compared to the previous three years. Our and Mission's cash broadcast payments were 3.1%, 3.4%, 3.4%, 4.7% and 4.6% of net broadcast revenue for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, 2006, 2005 and 2004, respectively.

*Capitalize on Diverse Network Affiliations.* We currently own, operate, program, or provide sales and other services to a balanced portfolio of television stations with diverse network affiliations, including NBC, CBS, ABC, and Fox affiliated stations which represented approximately 33.0%, 28.1%, 14.7% and 23.7% respectively, of our 2008 net broadcast revenue. The networks provide these stations with quality programming and numerous sporting events such as NBA basketball, Major League baseball, NFL football, NCAA sports, PGA golf and the Olympic Games. Because network programming and ratings change frequently, the diversity of our station portfolio's network affiliations reduces our reliance on the quality of programming from a single network.

*Attract and Retain High Quality Management.* We seek to attract and retain station general managers with proven track records in larger television markets by providing equity incentives not typically offered by other station operators in our markets. Our station general managers have been granted stock options and have an average of over 20 years of experience in the television broadcasting industry.

## **Acquisition Strategy**

We selectively pursue acquisitions of television stations primarily in markets ranking from 50 to 175 out of the 210 generally recognized television markets, where we believe we can improve revenue and cash flow through active management. Since January 1, 2003, we have more than doubled the number of stations that we own, operate and provide sales and other services to, having acquired 20 stations and contracted to provide services to 17 additional stations. When considering an acquisition, we evaluate the target audience share, revenue share, overall cost structure and proximity to our regional clusters. Additionally, we seek to acquire or enter into local service agreements with stations to create duopoly markets. The Amendment to our senior credit facility specifically restricts our ability to pursue our acquisition strategy.

## **Relationship with Mission**

Through various local service agreements with Mission, we currently provide sales, programming and other services to 16 television stations that are owned and operated by Mission. Mission is 100% owned by an independent third party. We do not own Mission or any of its television stations. In order for both us and Mission to comply with Federal Communications Commission (FCC) regulations, Mission maintains complete responsibility for and control over programming, finances, personnel and operations of its stations. However, as a result of (a) local service agreements Nexstar has with the Mission stations, (b) Nexstar's guarantee of the obligations incurred under Mission's senior credit facility and (c) purchase options (which expire on various dates between 2011 and 2018) granted by Mission's sole shareholder which will permit Nexstar to acquire the assets and assume the liabilities of each Mission station, subject to FCC consent, we are deemed under accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP) to have a controlling financial interest in Mission. As a result of our controlling financial interest in Mission under U.S. GAAP and in order to present fairly our financial position, results of operations and cash flows, we consolidate the financial position, results of operations and cash flows of Mission with us as if Mission were a wholly-owned entity. We expect these option agreements to be renewed upon expiration.



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The following chart sets forth general information about the stations we owned, operated, programmed or provided sales and other services to as of December 31, 2008:

Market	Rank (1)	Market	Station	Affiliation	Status	Commercial Stations in Market (3)	FCC License Expiration Date
	9	Washington, DC/Hagerstown, MD (4)	WHAG	NBC	O&O		(5)
	41	Harrisburg-Lancaster-Lebanon-York, PA	WLYH	The CW	O&O (6)	6	(5)
	54	Wilkes Barre-Scranton, PA	WBRE	NBC	O&O	7	(5)
			WYOU	CBS	LSA		(5)
	56	Little Rock-Pine Bluff, AR	KARK	NBC	O&O	7	(5)
	74	Springfield, MO	KOLR	CBS	LSA	6	(5)
			KSFX	Fox	O&O		(5)
	80	Rochester, NY	WROC	CBS	O&O	4	(5)
			WUHF	Fox	LSA		(5)
	83	Champaign-Springfield-Decatur, IL	WCIA	CBS	O&O	6	(5)
			WCFN	MyNetworkTV	O&O		(5)
	84	Shreveport, LA	KTAL	NBC	O&O	7	8/1/14
	100	Ft. Smith-Fayetteville- Springdale-Rogers, AR		Fox/NBC			
			KFTA		O&O		
			KNWA	NBC	O&O	6	6/1/13 (5)
	101	Johnstown-Altoona, PA	WTAJ	CBS	O&O	6	(5)
	102	Evansville, IN	WTVW	Fox	O&O	6	(5)
	107	Ft. Wayne, IN	WFFT	Fox	O&O	4	(5)
	116	Peoria-Bloomington, IL	WMBD	CBS	O&O	5	(5)
			WYZZ	Fox	LSA		(5)
	131	Amarillo, TX	KAMR	NBC	O&O	5	(5)
			KCIT	Fox	LSA		(5)
			KCPN-LP	MyNetworkTV	LSA		(5)
	132	Rockford, IL	WQRF	Fox	O&O	4	(5)
			WTVO	ABC	LSA		(5)
	136	Monroe, LA-El Dorado, AR		Fox		6	
			KARD		O&O		(5)
			KTVE	NBC	LSA		(5)
	141	Beaumont-Port Arthur, TX	KBTV	Fox	O&O (7)	4	(5)
	143	Lubbock, TX	KLBK	CBS	O&O	5	(5)
			KAMC	ABC	LSA		(5)
	145	Wichita Falls, TX-Lawton, OK	KFDX	NBC	O&O	5	(5)
			KJTL	Fox	LSA		(5)
			KJBO-LP	MyNetworkTV	LSA		(5)
	146	Erie, PA	WJET	ABC	O&O	4	(5)
			WFXP	Fox	LSA		(5)
	148	Joplin, MO-Pittsburg, KS	KSNF	NBC	O&O	4	(5)
			KODE	ABC	LSA		(5)
	152	Terre Haute, IN	WTWO	NBC	O&O	3	(5)
			WFXW	Fox	LSA		(5)
	156	Odessa-Midland, TX	KMID	ABC	O&O	5	(5)
	165	Abilene-Sweetwater, TX	KTAB	CBS	O&O	4	(5)
			KRBC	NBC	LSA		(5)





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Market						Commercial Stations in Market (3)	FCC License Expiration Date
Rank (1)	Market	Station	Affiliation	Status			
169	Utica, NY	WFXV	Fox	O&O	4		(5)
		WPNY-LP	MyNetworkTV	O&O			(5)
		WUTR	ABC	LSA			(5)
170	Billings, MT	KSVI	ABC	O&O	4		(5)
		KHMT	Fox	LSA			(5)
172	Dothan, AL	WDHN	ABC	O&O	3		(5)
196	San Angelo, TX	KSAN	NBC	LSA	4		(5)
		KLST	CBS	O&O			(5)
201	St. Joseph, MO	KQTV	ABC	O&O	1		(5)

- (1) Market rank refers to ranking the size of the Designated Market Area ( DMA ) in which the station is located in relation to other DMAs. Source: *Investing in Television Market Report 2008 4th Edition*, as published by BIA Financial Network, Inc.
- (2) O&O refers to stations that we own and operate. LSA, or local service agreement, is the general term we use to refer to a contract under which we provide services to a station owned and operated by an independent third party. Local service agreements include time brokerage agreements, shared services agreements, joint sales agreements and outsourcing agreements. For further information regarding the LSAs to which we are party, see Note 2 to our consolidated financial statements on page F-43.
- (3) The term commercial station means a television broadcast station and excludes non-commercial stations, religious and Spanish-language stations, cable program services or networks. Source: *Investing in Television Market Report 2008 4th Edition*, as published by BIA Financial Network, Inc.
- (4) Although WHAG is located within the Washington, DC DMA, its signal does not reach the entire Washington, DC metropolitan area. WHAG serves the Hagerstown, MD sub-market within the DMA.
- (5) Application for renewal of license timely was submitted to the FCC. Under the FCC s rules, a license expiration date automatically is extended pending review of and action on the renewal application by the FCC.
- (6) Although Nexstar owns WLYH, this station is programmed by Newport Television pursuant to a time brokerage agreement.
- (7) KBTV became a Fox affiliated station effective January 1, 2009.

**Industry Background**

Commercial television broadcasting began in the United States on a regular basis in the 1940s. Currently a limited number of channels are available for over-the-air broadcasting in any one geographic area and a license to operate a television station must be granted by the FCC. All television stations in the country are grouped by A.C. Nielsen Company, a national audience measuring service, into 210 generally recognized television markets, known as designated market areas ( DMAs ), that are ranked in size according to various metrics based upon actual or potential audience. Each DMA is an exclusive geographic area consisting of all counties in which the home-market commercial stations receive the greatest percentage of total viewing hours. A.C. Nielsen periodically publishes data on estimated audiences for the television stations in the DMA. The estimates are expressed in terms of a rating, which is a station s percentage of the total potential audience in the market, or a share, which is the station s percentage of the audience actually watching television. A station s rating in the market can be a factor in determining advertising rates.

Most television stations are affiliated with networks and receive a significant part of their programming, including prime-time hours, from networks. Whether or not a station is affiliated with one of the four major networks (NBC, ABC, CBS or Fox) has a significant impact on the composition of the station s revenue, expenses and operations. Network programming, along with cash payments for some NBC, ABC and CBS affiliates, is provided to the affiliate by the network in exchange for the network s retention of a substantial majority of the advertising time during network programs. The network then sells this advertising time and retains the revenue. The affiliate retains the revenue from the remaining advertising time it sells during network programs and from advertising time it sells during non-network programs.

Broadcast television stations compete for advertising revenue primarily with other commercial broadcast television stations and cable satellite television systems and, to a lesser extent, with newspapers, radio stations and internet advertising serving the same market. Non-commercial, religious and Spanish-language broadcasting



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stations in many markets also compete with commercial stations for viewers. In addition, the Internet and other leisure activities may draw viewers away from commercial television stations.

The television broadcast industry transitioned to an advanced digital television ( DTV ) transmission system on June 12, 2009. DTV transmissions deliver improved video and audio signals including high definition television and have substantial multiplexing and data transmission capabilities. For each licensed television station, the FCC allocated a matching DTV channel for the transition period. Television broadcasters were required to cease analog broadcasting and return one of their channels to the FCC.

## **Advertising Sales**

### *General*

Television station revenue is primarily derived from the sale of local and national advertising. All network-affiliated stations are required to carry advertising sold by their networks which reduces the amount of advertising time available for sale by stations. Our and Mission 's stations sell the remaining advertising to be inserted in network programming and the advertising in non-network programming, retaining all of the revenue received from these sales. A national syndicated program distributor will often retain a portion of the available advertising time for programming it supplies in exchange for no fees or reduced fees charged to stations for such programming. These programming arrangements are referred to as barter programming.

Advertisers wishing to reach a national audience usually purchase time directly from the networks, or advertise nationwide on a case-by-case basis. National advertisers who wish to reach a particular region or local audience often buy advertising time directly from local stations through national advertising sales representative firms. Local businesses purchase advertising time directly from the stations' local sales staff.

Advertising rates are based upon a number of factors, including:

a program 's popularity among the viewers that an advertiser wishes to target;

the number of advertisers competing for the available time;

the size and the demographic composition of the market served by the station;

the availability of alternative advertising media in the market area;

the effectiveness of the station 's sales forces;

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development of projects, features and programs that tie advertiser messages to programming; and

the level of spending commitment made by the advertiser.

Advertising rates are also determined by a station's overall ability to attract viewers in its market area, as well as the station's ability to attract viewers among particular demographic groups that an advertiser may be targeting. Advertising revenue is positively affected by strong local economies. Conversely, declines in advertising budgets of advertisers, particularly in recessionary periods, adversely affect the broadcast industry and as a result may contribute to a decrease in the revenue of broadcast television stations.

### *Seasonality*

Advertising revenue is positively affected by national and regional political election campaigns, and certain events such as the Olympic Games or the Super Bowl. Stations' advertising revenue is generally highest in the second and fourth quarters of each year, due in part to increases in consumer advertising in the spring and retail advertising in the period leading up to, and including, the holiday season. In addition, advertising revenue is generally higher during even-numbered years due to advertising placed by candidates for political offices and advertising aired during the Olympic Games.

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Local advertising time is sold by each station's local sales staff who call upon advertising agencies and local businesses, which typically include car dealerships, retail stores and restaurants. Compared to revenue from national advertising accounts, revenue from local advertising is generally more stable and more predictable. We seek to attract new advertisers to television and to increase the amount of advertising time sold to existing local advertisers by relying on experienced local sales forces with strong community ties, producing news and other programming with local advertising appeal and sponsoring or co-promoting local events and activities. We place a strong emphasis on the experience of our local sales staff and maintain an on-going training program for sales personnel.

*National Sales*

National advertising time is sold through national sales representative firms which call upon advertising agencies, whose clients typically include automobile manufacturers and dealer groups, telecommunications companies, fast food franchisers, and national retailers (some of which may advertise locally).

**Network Affiliations**

Each station that we own and operate, program or provide sales and other services to as of December 31, 2008 is affiliated with a network pursuant to an affiliation agreement, as described below:

<b>Station</b>	<b>Market</b>	<b>Affiliation</b>	<b>Expiration</b>
KBTV (4)	Beaumont-Port Arthur, TX	NBC	December 2008
WTVW	Evansville, IN	Fox	June 2010
WQRF	Rockford, IL	Fox	June 2010
KARD	Monroe, LA-El Dorado, AR	Fox	June 2010
KSFX	Springfield, MO	Fox	June 2010
WFXV	Utica, NY	Fox	June 2010
WFFT	Ft. Wayne, IN	Fox	June 2010
WBRE	Wilkes Barre-Scranton, PA	NBC	December 2011
WTWO	Terre Haute, IN	NBC	December 2011
KFDX	Wichita Falls, TX-Lawton, OK	NBC	December 2011
KSNF	Joplin, MO-Pittsburg, KS	NBC	December 2011
WTAJ	Johnstown-Altoona, PA	CBS	May 2010
KCIT	Amarillo, TX	Fox	June 2010