

**ASSET PURCHASE AGREEMENT**  
**DATED AS OF NOVEMBER 26, 2021**  
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**RED RIVER BROADCAST CO., LLC,**  
**KQDS-TV CORP.**  
**AND**  
**FORUM COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY**

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**ASSET PURCHASE AGREEMENT** (the “Agreement”) dated as of November 26, 2021, by and among (i) Red River Broadcast Co., LLC, a Minnesota limited liability company, and KQDS-TV Corp., a Minnesota Corporation (collectively “Seller”); and (ii) Forum Communications Company, a North Dakota corporation (“Purchaser”).

**WHEREAS**, Seller owns and operates television broadcast stations KVRR(TV), Fargo, North Dakota; KJRR(TV), Jamestown, North Dakota; KNRR(TV), Pembina, North Dakota; KBRR(TV), Thief River Falls, Minnesota; and KQDS-TV, Duluth, Minnesota, along with all associated low power television stations and translators (collectively, the “Station”) pursuant to certain authorizations issued by the United States Federal Communications Commission (the “FCC”) to Seller;

**WHEREAS**, Purchaser desires to purchase from Seller, and Seller desires to sell to Purchaser, all assets owned, used or held for use in the operation of the Station, excluding the Excluded Assets (as defined herein), and in connection therewith, Purchaser has agreed to assume certain liabilities of Seller relating to the Station, all upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth herein and in the Operative Agreements (as defined below) (such transactions sometimes being referred to herein as the “Transactions”);

**WHEREAS**, the prior consent of the FCC is required to permit the consummation of the Transactions; and

**WHEREAS**, Seller and Purchaser desire to make certain representations, warranties, covenants and agreements in connection with the Transactions, all as more fully set forth herein.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in consideration of the foregoing premises, the mutual covenants, promises and agreements hereinafter set forth, and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged and accepted, the parties hereto hereby agree as follows:

## **ARTICLE I** **DEFINITIONS**

1.1 **Certain Definitions.** For all purposes of and under this Agreement, the following terms shall have the respective meanings set forth below:

(a) “Accounts Receivable” means all accounts receivable, notes receivable and other monies due to Seller for sales and deliveries of goods, performance of services, sale of advertisements, broadcast time and programming and other business transactions related to the Station attributable to the period prior to the Effective Time.

(b) “Action” means any claim, action, suit or proceeding, arbitral action, governmental inquiry, audit, notice of violation, litigation, citation, summons, criminal prosecution or other investigation by or before any Governmental Authority, whether at law or equity.

(c) “Affiliate” means, as applied to any Person, (i) any other Person directly or indirectly controlling, controlled by or under common control with, that Person, or (ii) any director, partner, member, officer, manager, agent, employee or relative of such Person. For the purposes of

this definition, “control” (including with correlative meanings, the terms “controlling,” “controlled by,” and “under common control with”) as applied to any Person, means the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of that Person, whether through ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise.

(d) “Bargaining Agreements” means the collective bargaining agreements set forth on Schedule 4.16(b).

(e) “Business Day” means any weekday (Monday through Friday) on which commercial banks in Fargo, North Dakota or Duluth, Minnesota are open for business.

(f) “Business Intellectual Property” means all Intellectual Property that is used or held for use by Seller primarily in the operation of the Station as currently conducted, including the Intellectual Property listed on Schedule 4.6.

(g) “Communications Act” means the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, and all rules, regulations and published policies of the FCC promulgated thereunder.

(h) “Confidentiality Agreement” means the Letter of Confidentiality entered into by Kalil & Co., Inc., on behalf of Seller, and Purchaser dated June 22, 2021.

(i) “Contract” means any contract, agreement, sales and purchase orders, indenture, note, bond, instrument, lease, conditional sales contract, mortgage, license, franchise agreement, concession agreement, security interest, guaranty, commitment, undertaking or other agreement or arrangement, whether written or oral.

(j) “Employee Plan” means (i) any employee benefit plan, agreement, arrangement or policy, whether subject to ERISA or not, including any retirement, pension, deferred compensation, severance, profit sharing, savings, fringe benefit, group health, retiree medical, dental, life insurance, disability, cafeteria or vacation plan, agreement, policy or arrangement; (ii) any equity or equity-based compensation plan or arrangement; (iii) any bonus or incentive arrangement; and (iv) any severance or termination agreements, policies or arrangements that are not covered by ERISA; in each case that (A) is sponsored, maintained or contributed to or required to be maintained or contributed to by Seller or any ERISA Affiliate, or with respect to which Seller or any ERISA Affiliate has or may have actual or contingent liability or obligation for the benefit of any Business Employee or former employee, director or other service provider of Seller who is or was directly engaged, exclusively, in the operation of the Station, or (B) Seller has or may have actual or contingent Liability.

(k) “Encumbrance” means any security interest, pledge, mortgage, lien, charge, claim, community property interest, restriction on transfer (such as a right of first refusal or other similar right), defect of title, option or other right to purchase, encroachment, reservation or other encumbrance of any kind or character, including any restriction on use, voting, transfer, receipt of income or exercise of any other attribute of ownership.

(l) “Enforceability Exceptions” means the exceptions or limitations to the enforceability of Contracts under principles of general application relating to bankruptcy, reorganization, insolvency, moratorium or similar Law affecting creditors’ rights and relief of debtors

generally, and rules of law and general principles of equity including, without limitation, rules of law and general principles of equity governing specific performance, injunctive relief and other equitable remedies (regardless of whether such enforceability is considered in a proceeding in equity or at law).

(m) “Environmental Law” means any applicable Law, order, regulation, decree, permit, license, ordinance, or other federal, state, county, provincial, local or foreign governmental published requirements relating to pollution, the protection of human health (from exposure to Hazardous Substances) and the environment, or the discharge or Release of any Hazardous Substance into the environment.

(n) “Equipment” means all machinery, equipment, computers, motor vehicles, aircraft, furniture, fixtures, furnishings, Transmission Equipment, tools, parts and supplies, inventory, advertising and promotional materials, blank films, tapes, telecommunications equipment and all other items of tangible personal property (other than those included in the Excluded Assets) owned or leased by Seller and used or held for use by it primarily in the operation of the Station, including those items listed and described on Schedule 4.5.

(o) “ERISA” means the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended, any successor statute thereto, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

(p) “ERISA Affiliate” means any (if any) Person, trade or business (whether or not incorporated) that at any time before Closing is under common control with Seller pursuant to section 414 of the Internal Revenue Code or section 4001 of ERISA.

(q) “FCC Consent” means the actions of the FCC (including any action duly taken by the FCC’s staff pursuant to delegated authority) granting consent to the assignment of the FCC Licenses necessary for the consummation of the Transactions, including the Ownership Waiver.

(r) “FCC Licenses” means all of the FCC licenses, permits and other authorizations issued to Seller with respect to the Station including the FCC licenses, permits and other authorizations identified in Schedule 4.15(a).

(s) “Final Order” means any Action by the FCC (including Action by FCC staff pursuant to delegated authority), which has not been vacated, reversed or stayed and with respect to which no appeal, request for stay or petition for rehearing, reconsideration or review to the FCC or to any applicable Governmental Authority is pending and as to which the time for filing any such appeal, request, petition or similar filing has expired or, if filed, the FCC Action has been upheld and no additional appeal, rehearing, review or reconsideration may be sought.

(t) “GAAP” means generally accepted accounting principles in the United States.

(u) “Governmental Authority” means any government, any governmental entity, political subdivision, department, commission, board, agency or instrumentality, any quasi-governmental authority, and any court, tribunal, or judicial body, in each case whether federal, state, county, provincial, local or foreign.



(v) “Governmental Order” means any statute, rule, regulation, order, writ, judgment, injunction, decree, stipulation or determination issued, promulgated or entered by or with any Governmental Authority.

(w) “Hazardous Substance” means petroleum, petroleum by-products, polychlorinated biphenyls and any pollutant, contaminant or hazardous or toxic substance, material, or waste that is labeled or regulated as such by any Governmental Authority pursuant to an Environmental Law, but excluding de minimis amounts of substances, materials, and wastes customarily used or stored on, or disposed from similar properties for the purpose of cleaning or other maintenance or operations in the Ordinary Course of Business (including without limitation those normally found in motor vehicles and for maintenance of tower/antennas and other broadcast equipment).

(x) “Independent Accounting Firm” means Redpath and Company.

(y) “Intellectual Property” means any (i) patents, patent disclosures and related improvements, (ii) trademarks, service marks, trade dress, logos, trade names, call letters, corporate names and second-level domain names, along with any associated goodwill, (iii) copyrights and copyrightable works, (iv) trade secrets and confidential business information (including ideas, formulas, compositions, inventions (whether patentable or unpatentable and whether or not reduced to practice), know-how, research and development information, software, drawings, specifications, designs, plans, proposals, technical data, financial, marketing and business data, pricing and cost information, business and marketing plans and customer and supplier lists and information), (v) registrations and applications to register any of the foregoing, if applicable, and (vi) rights to sue with respect to past and future infringements of any of the foregoing.

(z) “Internal Revenue Code” means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, any successor statute thereto, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

(aa) “IRS” means the United States Internal Revenue Service, and any successor agency thereto.

(bb) “IT Assets” means software, information technology equipment, databases, websites, content, e-commerce platforms and associated content and documentation used or held for use in connection the operation of the Station as presently conducted.

(cc) “Knowledge of Seller”, “Seller’s Knowledge”, “known to Seller” and phrases of similar import mean, with respect to any matter in question relating to Seller, the actual knowledge of such matter by the named individuals listed in Schedule 1.1(cc) hereto, after reasonable due inquiry.

(dd) “Law” means, as in effect on any date of determination, applicable common law or any applicable statute, permit, ordinance, code or other law, rule, regulation, treaty, judgment, requirement or order enacted, adopted, promulgated or applied by any Governmental Authority, including any applicable Governmental Order.

(ee) “Liability” means any indebtedness, obligation and other liability (whether absolute, accrued, matured, contingent (or based upon any contingency), known or unknown, fixed

or otherwise, or whether due or to become due), including, any fine, penalty, judgment, award or settlement respecting any judicial, administrative or arbitration proceeding, damage, loss, claim or demand with respect to any Law.

(ff) “License” means any franchise, approval, permit, order, authorization, consent, license, registration or filing, certificate, variance and any other similar right obtained from or filed with any Governmental Authority.

(gg) “Malicious Instruction” means any so-called computer viruses, worms, trap or back doors, Trojan horses, or any other similar instructions, codes, programs, data or materials.

(hh) “Material Adverse Effect” means any event, condition, change, occurrence, development, circumstance, effect or state of facts (each, an “Effect”) that is, or could be reasonably expected to become, individually or in the aggregate with any such other Effect, materially adverse to (i) the business, results of operations, condition (financial or otherwise) or assets of the Station, taken as a whole, (ii) the value of the Assets, or (iii) the ability of Seller to consummate the Transactions on a timely basis; provided, however, that “Material Adverse Effect” shall not include any Effect, directly or indirectly, arising out of or attributable to: (A) any changes in applicable Laws; (B) any changes in GAAP or regulatory accounting rules; (C) conditions in the United States or global economy or capital, credit or financial markets generally; (D) Effects generally applicable to the broadcast television industry; (E) hostilities, acts of terrorism or war, or any material escalation of any such hostilities, acts of terrorism or war; and (F) the execution and delivery of this Agreement and the announcement of this Agreement and the Transactions contemplated hereby; except, in the case of clauses (A), (C) and (D), to the extent such Effects have a disproportionate effect on the Station (relative to other broadcast television stations).

(ii) “MVPD” means any multi-channel video programming distributor, as that term is defined by the FCC as of the date of this Agreement.

(jj) “Operative Agreements” means, collectively, this Agreement, the Escrow Agreement, the Confidentiality Agreement, the Bill of Sale, the Assignment and Assumption, the Assignments and Assumptions for Leases, the Assignments and Assumptions for FCC Licenses and any other agreement or deed delivered in connection with the Closing, if any.

(kk) “Ordinary Course of Business” means, with respect to a Person, the ordinary and usual course of normal day to day operations of such Person, consistent with such Person’s past practice.

(ll) “Organizational Documents” means, with respect to any Person (other than an individual), the articles or certificate of incorporation, bylaws, certificate of formation, operating agreement, certificate of limited partnership, limited partnership agreement and all other organizational documents of such Person.

(mm) “Permitted Encumbrances” means any: (i) liens for any Taxes, assessments or other governmental charges not yet due and payable or that are being contested in good faith; (ii) mechanics’, carriers’, workmen’s, repairmen’s or other like liens arising or incurred in the Ordinary Course of Business or amounts that are not delinquent and which are not, individually or in the aggregate, material to the Station or the Assets; (iii) easements, rights of way, zoning ordinances and

other similar encumbrances affecting Real Property which are not, individually or in the aggregate, material to the Station or the Assets, which do not prohibit or interfere with the current operation of any Real Property and which do not render title to any Real Property unmarketable; (iv) other than with respect to Owned Real Property, liens arising under original purchase price conditional sales contracts and equipment leases with third parties entered into in the Ordinary Course of Business which are not, individually or in the aggregate, material to the Station or the Assets; (v) non-exclusive licenses of Intellectual Property granted in the Ordinary Course of Business; and (vi) Encumbrances set forth on Schedule 1.1(mm).

(nn) “Person” means any individual, general or limited partnership, firm, corporation, limited liability company, association, trust, unincorporated organization, joint venture or other entity, including any Governmental Authority, and including any successor, by merger or otherwise, of any of the foregoing.

(oo) “Personal Information” means any information that identifies or could be reasonably linked to an identifiable individual.

(pp) “Privacy and Security Laws and Standards” means applicable industry standards concerning the privacy and security of Personal Information, including Payment Card Industry Data Security Standards, and any applicable Law regarding the protection, collection, access, use, storage, disposal, disclosure or transfer of Personal Information and all regulations promulgated hereunder, including the Fair Credit Reporting Act, the Fair and Accurate Credit Transaction Act, the Federal Trade Commission Act, the Privacy Act of 1974, the CAN-SPAM Act, the Telephone Consumer Protection Act, the Telemarketing and Consumer Fraud and Abuse Prevention Act, Children’s Online Privacy Protection Act, state privacy Laws, and U.S. state data security and breach notification Laws.

(qq) “Program Rights” means the rights of the Station presently existing or obtained after the date of this Agreement and prior to the Closing Date in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, to distribute television programs or shows as part of the programming, including all film and program barter agreements, sports rights agreements, news rights or service agreements, affiliation agreements and syndication agreements related to the Station, in each case, that are either (x) owned by Seller or (y) licensed to Seller.

(rr) “Real Property” means the Leased Real Property and the Owned Real Property.

(ss) “Release” means any spilling, leaking, pumping, pouring, emitting, emptying, discharging, injecting, escaping, leaching, dumping, or disposing of a Hazardous Substance into the environment.

(tt) “Straddle Period” any taxable period that includes (but does not end on) the day before the Closing Date.

(uu) “Tax” means any federal, state, local or foreign income, gross receipts, sales, use, ad valorem, employment, severance, transfer, gains, profits, excise, franchise, property, capital stock, premium, minimum and alternative minimum or other taxes, fees, levies, duties, assessments or charges of any kind or nature whatsoever imposed by any Governmental Authority

(whether payable directly or by withholding), together with any interest, penalties (civil or criminal), additions to, or additional amounts imposed by, any Governmental Authority with respect thereto.

(vv) “Tax Return” means a report, return or other information required to be supplied to a Governmental Authority with respect to any Tax.

(ww) “Territory” means the States of Minnesota, North Dakota, Michigan and Wisconsin.

(xx) “Transmission Equipment” means all analog, digital and other Equipment owned by Seller and used or held for use in the operations of the Station, including the antenna, transmitter and all associated transmission equipment, lines and facilities.

1.2 Certain Additional Definitions. For all purposes of and under this Agreement, the following terms shall have the respective meanings ascribed thereto in the respective sections of this Agreement set forth opposite each such term below:

<u>Term</u>	<u>Section</u>
Acquisition Proposal	6.16(a)
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Assumed Liabilities	2.2(b)
Base Purchase Price	2.3(a)
Bill of Sale	3.2(a)(i)
Business Contract(s)	2.1(b)(viii)
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<u>Term</u>	<u>Section</u>
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Excluded Liabilities	2.2(c)
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FCC Applications	6.4(b)
FCC Termination Fee	9.1(g)
Final Purchase Price	2.5(b)(iii)
Financial Statements	4.11
Improvements	2.1(b)(iii)
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Indemnifying Party	8.4(a)
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Phase II Environmental Site Assessment	6.13(a)
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Third Party Claim	8.4(a)
Threshold	8.5(a)
Title Commitments	6.12
Transactions	Recitals
Transferred Employees	6.7(a)
Upset Date	9.1(a)(iii)

## ARTICLE II PURCHASE AND SALE OF ASSETS

### 2.1 Purchase and Sale of Assets.

(a) Purchase and Sale. Upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth herein, at the Closing, Purchaser shall purchase from Seller, and Seller shall irrevocably sell, convey, transfer, assign and deliver to Purchaser, free and clear of all Encumbrances other than Permitted Encumbrances, all right, title and interest of Seller in and to the Assets.

(b) Assets. For all purposes of and under this Agreement, the term “Assets” shall mean, refer to and include all properties, assets, privileges, rights, interests and claims, real, personal or mixed, tangible and intangible, of every type and description (other than the Excluded Assets), that are owned or leased by Seller and used or held for use primarily in connection with the Station as of the Closing Date. Without limiting the foregoing, the Assets shall include the following, except to the extent that any of the following are included within the Excluded Assets:

(i) the FCC Licenses and the Station’s call letters, including all of Seller’s rights to (A) all URLs and internet domain names consisting of or containing any of the Station’s call letters, and (B) any variations or derivations of, or marks confusingly similar to, any of the foregoing;

(ii) any books and records maintained by Seller in connection with the operation of the Station, including those necessary to operate the Station in compliance with the FCC’s rules and regulations, including, but not limited to, the Station’s public files;

(iii) those parcel(s) of real property, as more fully described in Schedule 4.12(a) hereto (the “Owned Real Property”), and all the rights arising out of the ownership thereof or appurtenant thereto, including all rights, privileges, grants and easements appurtenant to Seller’s interest in the Owned Real Property, together with all buildings, structures, facilities, fixtures and other improvements (“Improvements”) thereon;

(iv) those lease(s) of real property (the “Real Property Leases”), as more fully described in Schedule 4.12(b), as to which Seller is the lessee (the real property demised by a Real Property Lease being called, the “Leased Real Property”), and all Improvements included in the Leased Real Property;

(v) all Equipment;

(vi) all furniture, fixtures, equipment, machinery, tools, vehicles, office equipment, supplies, computers, telephones and other tangible personal property;

(vii) all Licenses possessed by Seller and used or held for use in the operation of the Station or the ownership of the Assets and all rights thereunder (each a “Business License” and, collectively, the “Business Licenses”);

(viii) all Contracts (other than Real Property Leases, which are the subject of clause (iv) above) to which Seller is a party pertaining to the operation of the Station and the ownership of the Assets and all rights of Seller thereunder (together with the Real Property Leases, each a “Business Contract” and, collectively, “Business Contracts”);

(ix) to the extent used or held for use by Seller in connection with the Station, all management and other systems (including computers and peripheral Equipment), databases, computer software, computer disks and similar assets and all licenses and rights in relation thereto;

(x) the Business Intellectual Property;

(xi) all prepaid expenses and charges attributable to the period prior to the Effective Time in respect of the Station and attributable to periods on or after the Effective Time, in each case, to the extent reflected in the Prorations set forth in Section 2.4 below;

(xii) all of Seller’s rights, claims, credits, prepaid expenses, advance payments, security, refunds, rights of recovery, causes of action or rights of set-off against third parties relating to the Station or the Assets, including claims pursuant to all warranties, indemnities, representations and guarantees made by suppliers, manufacturers, contractors and other third parties in connection with products or services purchased by or furnished to Seller for use in the Station or affecting any of the Assets;

(xiii) all rights to any Actions of any nature available to or being pursued by Seller to the extent related to the Station, the Assets or the Assumed Liabilities, whether arising by way of counterclaim or otherwise (subject to Section 2.1(c)(xi)); and

(xiv) all goodwill associated with the Assets.

(c) Excluded Assets. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, Seller shall not convey, assign, or transfer to Purchaser, and Purchaser shall not acquire or have any rights to acquire, the following assets (the “Excluded Assets”):

(i) all of Seller’s rights to (A) the corporate and trade names listed on Schedule 2.1(c)(i), (B) all URLs and internet domain names consisting of or containing any of the foregoing, and (C) any variations or derivations of, or marks confusingly similar to, any of the foregoing (subject to Section 6.22);

(ii) all cash, cash equivalents and securities of Seller;

- (iii) all bank and other depository accounts of Seller;
- (iv) all (A) Tax records and Tax Returns (other than those Tax records and Tax Returns related to personal and real property taxes with respect to the Assets), books of account and other materials not relating to the Assets or the operation of the Station, (B) Organizational Documents, minute books and all other books and records relating to the organization, existence or ownership of Seller, (C) records, documents, plans and financial records related to the Transactions, (D) all records relating to other Excluded Assets and (E) all personnel files for employees of Seller who are not transferred to Purchaser as of the Closing;
- (v) all refunds of Taxes;
- (vi) all Business Insurance Policies (including, without limitation, title insurance policies) or other insurance policies relating to the Station, any refunds paid or payable in connection with the cancellation or discontinuance of any insurance policies applicable to the Station, and any claims made under any such insurance policies;
- (vii) rights in or any assets associated with or allocated to any Employee Plan;
- (viii) any Business Contract listed on Schedule 2.1(c)(viii) (collectively, the “Excluded Contracts”);
- (ix) all intercompany debts and other obligations due to Seller from any Affiliates of Seller;
- (x) all rights of Seller under this Agreement and the other Operative Agreements, the Purchase Price hereunder, any agreement, certificate, instrument or other document executed and delivered by Seller or Purchaser in connection with the Transactions, or any side agreement between Seller and Purchaser entered into on or after the date of this Agreement;
- (xi) any cause of action or claim relating solely to any event or occurrence with respect to the operation of the Station prior to the Effective Time;
- (xii) the Accounts Receivable; and
- (xiii) all assets and rights expressly set forth on Schedule 2.1(c)(xiii).

## 2.2 Assumption of Liabilities.

(a) Assumption. Upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth herein, at the Closing Purchaser shall assume from Seller (and thereafter pay, perform, discharge or otherwise satisfy in accordance with their respective terms), and Seller shall irrevocably convey, transfer and assign to Purchaser, all of the Assumed Liabilities of Seller and no other Liabilities.



(b) Assumed Liabilities. For all purposes of and under this Agreement, the term “Assumed Liabilities” shall mean, refer to and include all Liabilities of Seller (i) under the Business Contracts (including any Bargaining Agreements) validly assigned to Purchaser (other than any Excluded Contracts) to the extent attributable to the periods after the Effective Time (but not arising from any breach of the Business Contracts during the period before the Effective Time); (ii) relating to the Assets attributable to any period of time after the Effective Time; (iii) Purchaser’s obligations pursuant to Section 3.5; (iv) to the extent current and included in the calculation of the Prorations under Section 2.4; and (v) for the compensation of all Transferred Employees for periods after the Effective Time, subject to the provisions of Section 6.7 hereof.

(c) Excluded Liabilities. Purchaser shall not assume and shall not be responsible to pay, perform or discharge any Liabilities of Seller or any of its Affiliates of any kind or nature whatsoever other than the Assumed Liabilities (the “Excluded Liabilities”). Seller shall, and shall cause each of its Affiliates to, pay and satisfy in due course all Excluded Liabilities which they are obligated to pay and satisfy. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Excluded Liabilities shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

- (i) Liabilities of Seller or its Affiliates under any Employee Plan;
- (ii) Liabilities for indebtedness for borrowed money of Seller;
- (iii) Liabilities for the compensation of all Business Employees for periods prior to the Effective Time, including payments for all paid time off, vacation or sick leave relating to the period before the Closing Date;
- (iv) Liabilities for Taxes of Seller or any of its Affiliates;
- (v) Liabilities of Seller in respect of transaction costs payable by it pursuant to Section 6.6 hereof;
- (vi) Liabilities of Seller not arising out of or relating to the Station or the Assets;
- (vii) Liabilities of Seller arising out of or relating to the Station or the Assets arising during, or attributable to, any period of time before the Effective Time (except to the extent included in the calculation of the Prorations) including any Liabilities asserted by the FCC against the Station with respect to complaints which are covered by the tolling agreement(s), if any, referenced in Section 6.4(c);
- (viii) Liabilities to any Affiliate of Seller;
- (ix) Liabilities related to any Excluded Asset;
- (x) any Liability for Taxes payable with respect to Seller’s transfer of the Assets to Purchaser and Seller’s consummation of the other transactions contemplated by this Agreement, except to the extent of Purchaser’s obligation to pay such Liability under Section 6.6;

(xi) Liabilities under any Excluded Contract, except to the extent of Purchaser's obligation to pay such Liability under Section 3.5 of this Agreement;

(xii) Any Liability to or in respect of, or arising out of or in connection with, the employment or cessation of employment by Seller of any Business Employees or former employees of Seller, including (A) an employment or consulting Contract between Seller and any Person (other than obligations under employment Contracts assumed by Purchaser to the extent attributable to the period after the Effective Time), (B) any claim of an unfair labor practice or grievance or any claim under any unemployment compensation, employment standards, pay equity or worker's compensation Law or regulation or under any federal, state or provincial employment discrimination Law or regulation, which shall have been asserted by any Business Employee or former employee of Seller to the extent based on acts or omissions which occurred during the period of or relate to such Business Employee's employment by Seller, whether or not such Business Employee is hired by Purchaser or any of its Affiliates, (C) any Liability relating to payroll, vacation, personal day or sick pay for any current or former employee, director, officer, consultant or independent contractor of Seller (except with respect to Liability for any Business Employee employed by Purchaser for any payroll, vacation, personal day or sick pay relating to any period after the Closing Date), (D) with respect to any actual or alleged agreements or promises to current or former employees, directors, officers, consultants or independent contractors regarding stock options, equity or equity based compensation plans, programs or arrangements maintained by Seller or any of its Affiliates, and (E) any Liability arising out of or relating to any stay bonus, special waiting bonus or special retention plan or agreement;

(xiii) All Liabilities of Seller or any of its Affiliates arising under this Agreement and any and all other Operative Agreements;

(xiv) All Liabilities under the Excluded Contracts or any other Business Contracts (A) which are not validly and effectively assigned to Purchaser pursuant to this Agreement; (B) which do not conform to the representations and warranties with respect thereto contained in this Agreement; or (C) to the extent such Liabilities arise out of or relate to a breach by Seller of such Contracts prior to Closing;

(xv) All Liabilities arising out of, in respect of or in connection with the failure by Seller or any of its Affiliates to comply with any Law or Governmental Order (including applicable Privacy and Security Laws and Standards); and

(xvi) All Liabilities arising out of noncompliance with Environmental Laws or Releases of Hazardous Material on the Real Property that existed prior to the Closing, regardless of whether such noncompliance or Releases are discovered after the Closing.

## 2.3 Consideration for Assets.

(a) Purchase Price. The consideration for the Assets shall be (i) \$24,000,000 paid in cash (the "Base Purchase Price"), subject to adjustment as provided in Section 2.4 (the Base Purchase Price, as so adjusted, the "Purchase Price"), and (ii) the assumption by Purchaser of the Assumed Liabilities pursuant to Section 2.2 hereof. Purchaser shall pay the Purchase Price as

determined pursuant to Section 2.4 at Closing as follows: (A) the Escrow Deposit shall be deposited with the Escrow Agent as the Indemnity Escrow (as defined below) pursuant to Section 2.3(c); and (B) the balance of the Purchase Price (i.e., the Purchase Price reduced by the Indemnity Escrow) shall be paid by Purchaser to Seller, by wire transfer of immediately available funds in accordance with written instructions delivered by Seller to Purchaser at least two (2) Business Days prior to Closing.

(b) Escrow Deposit. Within five (5) Business Days of the execution of this Agreement, Purchaser shall deliver to Citibank, N.A. (the “Escrow Agent”), \$1,200,000 to be held as an earnest money deposit (“Escrow Deposit”) pursuant to that certain escrow agreement substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A that will be entered into among Purchaser, Seller and the Escrow Agent concurrently with this Agreement (the “Escrow Agreement”). At the Closing, the Escrow Deposit shall be deposited with the Escrow Agent as the Indemnity Escrow (as defined below). Purchaser and Seller shall deliver such instructions to the Escrow Agent as may be necessary to disburse the Escrow Deposit in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

(c) Indemnity Escrow. At the Closing, Purchaser will direct the Escrow Agent to transfer the Escrow Deposit to a new escrow account (the “Indemnity Escrow”) to serve as one source of payment of any indemnification obligations of Seller pursuant to Article VIII of this Agreement. The Escrow Agent will hold the Indemnity Escrow to be distributed pursuant to the terms of the Escrow Agreement and this Agreement. On the date that is one (1) year after the Closing Date, the Escrow Agent will pay to Seller any amounts remaining in the Indemnity Escrow, *minus* the aggregate amount of Damages reasonably estimated by Purchaser under any Notice of Claim properly asserted and previously submitted by Purchaser and then unresolved (or resolved but unpaid). The provisions of Section 8.4 shall govern resolution of any such outstanding claims for Damages.

## 2.4 Proration.

(a) General Allocation Principles. Except as otherwise provided in this Section 2.4, the ownership and operation of the Assets, revenues, trade or barter, expenses, and liabilities attributable thereto, including power and utilities charges, rents and income, and other accruing, wages and vacation pay of Transferred Employees, prepaid and deferred items, will be prorated between Seller and Purchaser in accordance with the following principles and in accordance with GAAP:

(i) Seller will be allocated with respect to the Station all revenues earned, accrued, or allocable to, and all expenses, costs and liabilities incurred in or allocable to, the period prior to the Effective Time;

(ii) Purchaser will be allocated with respect to the Station all revenues earned, accrued or allocable to, and all expenses, costs and liabilities incurred in or allocable to, the periods at or after the Effective Time;

(iii) Seller shall remain or be solely (as between Seller and Purchaser) liable with respect to the Excluded Liabilities whether arising before or after Closing Date; and

(iv) At the Closing, the Purchase Price will be increased or decreased, as appropriate, in order to give effect to this Section 2.4, based on the estimate described in Section 2.5.

(b) Treatment of Program Liabilities. Notwithstanding Section 2.4(a), as between Purchaser and Seller:

(i) Seller will be allocated all obligations to make cash payments of license and usage fees pursuant to any Contract for Program Rights (“Program Payments”) that first become due and payable under the terms of such Contract for Program Rights prior to the first day of the applicable payment period that includes the Closing Date;

(ii) Purchaser will be allocated all obligations to make Program Payments that first become due and payable under the terms of any applicable Contract for Program Rights after the last day of the applicable payment period that includes the Closing Date; and

(iii) With respect to Program Payments that first become due and payable under the terms of any applicable Contract for Program Rights during the applicable payment period that includes the Closing Date: (A) Seller will be allocated all obligations to make a portion of each such Program Payment that is equal to a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of days (if any) during such applicable payment period that are prior to the Closing Date and the denominator of which is the total number of days during such applicable payment period, and (B) Purchaser will be allocated obligations to make the remaining portion of such Program Payments.

## 2.5 Adjustment Procedures.

(a) Estimate for Closing. Seller shall, no later than three (3) Business Days prior to the scheduled Closing Date, prepare and deliver to Purchaser a statement containing Seller’s good faith estimate of prorations and adjustments to the Purchase Price that are required in order to give effect to Section 2.4 (the “Prorations”). Such statement shall be consistent with that certain sample Prorations calculation set forth on Schedule 2.5(a).

### (b) Post-Closing Adjustment.

(i) As promptly as possible after the Closing, but in any event not later than ninety (90) days after the Closing Date, Purchaser shall deliver to Seller a statement setting forth Purchaser’s determination of the Prorations. In connection with Seller’s review of such determination, Purchaser will furnish Seller with such information as may be reasonably requested by Seller. If Seller disputes the Prorations determined by Purchaser, Seller shall deliver to Purchaser within thirty (30) days after Seller’s receipt of Purchaser’s statement, a statement setting forth Seller’s determination of the Prorations. If Seller notifies Purchaser of its acceptance of Purchaser’s statement, or if Seller fails to deliver its statement within the period specified in the preceding sentence, Purchaser’s determination of the Prorations shall be conclusive and binding on the parties as of the last day of the thirty (30) day period.

(ii) Seller and Purchaser shall use good faith efforts to resolve any dispute involving the determination of the Prorations. If the parties do not resolve the dispute within thirty (30) days following the delivery of Seller’s statement pursuant to Section 2.4(b)(i), Seller and Purchaser shall jointly designate the Independent Accounting Firm to resolve the dispute. The Independent Accounting Firm’s resolution of the dispute shall be final and

binding on the parties, and a judgment may be entered thereon in any court of competent jurisdiction. The Independent Accounting Firm shall act as an expert and not an arbitrator and will only consider the items that remain in dispute between the parties. The Independent Accounting Firm will render a decision resolving such items in dispute within thirty (30) days after completion of submissions thereto by the parties. The Independent Accounting Firm will determine the Prorations solely based on submissions made by Seller and Purchaser consistent with the terms hereof (and not by independent review) and such determination shall be conclusive and binding upon the parties hereto. The Independent Accounting Firm will not assign a value to any item that is greater than the greater value for such item claimed by either Seller or Purchaser nor less than the lesser value for such item claimed by either of such parties. Any fees of the Independent Accounting Firm incurred under this Section 2.5(b)(ii) shall be split equally between Seller on one hand and Purchaser on the other hand.

(iii) Final settlement of the Prorations will be made no later than the fifth (5th) Business Day after the Prorations is finally determined pursuant to this Section 2.5 and will be paid in cash by wire transfer of immediately available funds to such account as is directed in writing by Purchaser or Seller, as the case may be. The Purchase Price as finally determined pursuant to this Section 2.5 is referred to as the “Final Purchase Price”. If the Final Purchase Price exceeds the Purchase Price paid by Purchaser to Seller at Closing, then Purchaser shall pay Seller the amount of such excess, and, if the Purchase Price paid by Purchaser to Seller at Closing exceeds the Final Purchase Price, then Seller shall pay the amount of such excess to Purchaser.

2.6 Allocation of Purchase Price. The consideration for the Assets provided herein shall be allocated among the various categories of Assets in accordance with their respective fair market values. The parties hereto shall use their reasonable efforts prior to Closing to reach agreement on a reasonable allocation of consideration to such categories of Assets. If Purchaser and Seller reach such agreement, Purchaser and Seller (i) shall execute and file all Tax Returns in a manner consistent with the allocation determined pursuant to this Section 2.6 and Schedule 2.6 and (ii) shall not take any position before any Governmental Authority or in any judicial proceeding that is inconsistent with such allocation. Such agreement shall not be a condition to Closing. Seller and Purchaser shall each timely file a Form 8594 with the IRS in accordance with the requirements of Section 1060 of the Internal Revenue Code. In the event that the parties do not agree to a purchase price allocation prior to Closing then each party hereto shall file its own Form 8594.

### **ARTICLE III**

#### **THE CLOSING**

3.1 Time and Place. Subject to the satisfaction or waiver of all conditions set forth in Article VII herein, the consummation of the Transactions shall (a) take place at a closing (the “Closing”) to be held at 9:00 a.m., Central time, on the date which is the third (3rd) Business Day after satisfaction and fulfillment or, if permissible pursuant to the terms hereof, waiver of the conditions set forth in Sections 7.1 and 7.2, or the taking of other action, at the Closing (other than conditions that by their nature are to be satisfied at Closing, but subject to the satisfaction or waiver of such conditions at Closing), (b) be effective as of 12:01 a.m., local Fargo, North Dakota time, on the Closing Date (the “Effective Time”), and (c) be held remotely by the exchange of signed documents by e-mail or other electronic transmission, in each case, unless another time, date or place

is mutually agreed upon in writing by Seller and Purchaser. The date on which the Closing is to occur pursuant to this Section 3.1 is referred to herein as the “Closing Date”. All actions to be taken and all documents to be executed or delivered at Closing will be deemed to have been taken, executed and delivered simultaneously, and no action will be deemed taken and no document will be deemed executed or delivered until all have been taken, delivered and executed, except in each case to the extent otherwise stated in this Agreement or any such other document.

3.2 Closing Deliveries of Seller. At the Closing, Seller shall deliver, or cause to be delivered, to Purchaser the following (which in the case of any instruments, certificates and other documents shall be dated as of the Closing Date and executed or acknowledged (as applicable) on behalf of Seller by a duly authorized officer thereof), in order to consummate the Transactions, including the transfer of the Assets to Purchaser pursuant to Section 2.1 hereof:

(a) Instruments of Transfer and Assignment.

(i) A bill of sale, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit B (the “Bill of Sale”);

(ii) an instrument of assignment and assumption, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit C (the “Assignment and Assumption”);

(iii) an assignment and assumption of lease or leases with respect to the Leased Real Properties, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit D (the “Assignments and Assumptions for Leases”);

(iv) an assignment of the FCC Licenses, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit E (the “Assignment of FCC Licenses”);

(v) certificates of title or origin (or like documents) with respect to any motor vehicles for which a certificate of title or origin evidences title, together with properly completed assignments of such vehicles to be delivered by Seller;

(vi) customary warranty deeds in a form reasonably acceptable to Purchaser with respect to any Owned Real Property; and

(vii) such other instruments of transfer as Purchaser may reasonably request to convey any Assets to Purchaser, including the instruction to the Escrow Agent regarding the transfer of the Escrow Deposit as part of the Purchase Price (such instructions, the “Joint Instructions”).

(b) Closing Certificates and Other Documents.

(i) An officer’s certificate to be delivered by Seller substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit F, which shall certify as to the satisfaction of the conditions set forth in Sections 7.1(a), 7.1(b) and 7.1(d) hereof;

(ii) a secretary’s certificate to be delivered by Seller substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit G, which shall certify that attached thereto are true and

complete copies of all resolutions adopted by the board of directors (or the equivalent thereof) of Seller authorizing the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement and the other Operative Agreements and the consummation of the Transactions, and that all such resolutions are in full force and effect and are all the resolutions adopted in connection with the Transactions; and

(iii) a certificate of Seller certifying as to its non-foreign status which complies with the requirements of Section 1445 of the Internal Revenue Code.

3.3 Closing Deliveries of Purchaser. At the Closing, Purchaser shall make the payment and deliver, or cause to be delivered, to Seller the following (which in the case of any instruments, agreements certificates and other documents shall be dated as of the Closing Date and executed or acknowledged (as applicable) on behalf of Purchaser by a duly authorized officer thereof) in order to pay for the Assets and effect the assumption of all Assumed Liabilities from Seller pursuant to Section 2.2 hereof:

(a) Purchase Price. The payment of the Purchase Price in accordance with Section 2.3(a) and the Joint Instructions.

(b) Instruments of Assumption.

(i) The Assignment and Assumption;

(ii) the Assignments and Assumptions for Leases; and

(iii) all other instruments and certificates of assumption as Seller may reasonably request in order to effectively make Purchaser responsible for all Assumed Liabilities, including the Joint Instructions.

(c) Closing Certificates and Other Documents.

(i) An officer's certificate substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit H, which shall certify as to the satisfaction of the conditions set forth in Sections 7.2(a) and 7.2(b) hereof; and

(ii) a secretary's certificate to be delivered by Purchaser substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit I, which shall certify that attached thereto are true and complete copies of all resolutions adopted by the board of directors (or the equivalent thereof) of Purchaser authorizing the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement and the other Operative Agreements and the consummation of the Transactions, and that all such resolutions are in full force and effect and are all the resolutions adopted in connection with the Transactions.

3.4 Further Assurances. At and after the Closing, and without further consideration therefor, (a) Seller shall execute, or arrange for the execution of, and deliver to Purchaser such further instruments or documents as Purchaser may reasonably request in order to consummate the Transactions contemplated by this Agreement and (ii) Purchaser shall execute, or shall arrange for

the execution of, and deliver to Seller such further instruments or documents as Seller may reasonably request in order to consummate the Transactions contemplated by this Agreement.

3.5 Assignment of Business Contracts and Business Licenses. To the extent that the transfer or assignment hereunder by Seller to Purchaser of any Business Contract or Business License is not permitted or is not permitted without the consent or approval of another Person, any such Business Contract or Business License shall not be assigned by Seller to Purchaser at Closing if such consent or approval is not given or obtained by the Closing or if such agreement at Closing otherwise would constitute a breach thereof or constitute a loss of benefits thereunder. Seller and Purchaser shall use their commercially reasonable efforts to obtain any and all such third party consents or approvals under all Business Contracts or Business Licenses; provided, however, that neither Seller nor Purchaser shall be required to pay or incur any cost or expense to obtain any third-party consent or approval that it is not otherwise required to pay or incur in accordance with the terms of the applicable Business Contract or Business License, except for usual and customary legal fees and expenses. If any such third-party consent or approval for the assignment or transfer of a Business Contract or Business License is not obtained before the Closing, Seller shall cooperate with Purchaser in any commercially reasonable arrangement designed to provide for Purchaser after the Closing the benefits intended to be assigned to Purchaser under the applicable Business Contract or Business License, including enforcement at the cost and for the account of Purchaser of any and all rights of Seller against the other party thereto arising out of the breach thereof by such other party or otherwise; provided, that Purchaser shall (a) undertake to pay or satisfy the corresponding Liabilities for the enjoyment of such benefit to the extent that Purchaser would have been responsible therefor hereunder if such consent, waiver or approval had been obtained and (b) indemnify and hold harmless Seller and its Affiliates for any costs, expenses or Liabilities (including legal fees and expenses) incurred by them in connection with the enforcement of such Business Contract or Business License at the request of Purchaser. Upon receipt of any such third-party consent or approval after Closing, the applicable Business Contract or Business License shall be automatically assigned to, and assumed by, Purchaser on the terms hereof without further action by Purchaser or Seller.

#### **ARTICLE IV**

#### **REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF SELLER**

Seller hereby represents and warrants to Purchaser as follows:

4.1 Organization. Seller is duly formed, validly existing and in good standing under the Laws of its state of formation, with all requisite limited liability company or corporate power and authority to own, operate or lease the Assets as now owned, operated or leased by it, and to conduct the Station as presently conducted by it. Schedule 4.1 sets forth each jurisdiction in which Seller is licensed or qualified to do business, and Seller is duly licensed or qualified to do business and is in good standing in each jurisdiction in which the ownership of the Assets or the operation of the Station as presently conducted makes such licensing or qualification necessary.

4.2 Authority. Seller has all requisite limited liability company or corporate power and authority to enter into and deliver this Agreement and the Operative Agreements to which Seller is a party, to perform its obligations hereunder and thereunder, and to consummate the Transactions. The execution and delivery by Seller of this Agreement and the Operative Agreements to which it is a party, the performance by Seller of its obligations hereunder and thereunder, and the consummation



by Seller of the Transactions, have been duly authorized by all necessary limited liability company or corporate action by Seller. This Agreement has been, and the Operative Agreements to which Seller is a party shall at Closing be, duly executed and delivered by Seller. Assuming the due authorization, execution and delivery of this Agreement and the Operative Agreements to which it is a party by Purchaser, this Agreement constitutes, and each of the Operative Agreements to which Seller is a party (when so executed and delivered) will constitute, a legal, valid and binding obligation of Seller, enforceable against it in accordance with its terms, except as such enforceability may be limited by the Enforceability Exceptions.

4.3 No Violation; Third Party Consents. Assuming that all consents, waivers, approvals, orders and authorizations described in Section 4.4 hereto have been obtained and all notifications, registrations, qualifications, designations, declarations or filings with any Governmental Authorities described in Section 4.4 hereto have been made, and, except as set forth in Schedule 4.3 hereto, the execution and delivery by Seller of this Agreement and the Operative Agreements to which Seller is a party, the performance by Seller of its obligations hereunder and thereunder, and the consummation by Seller of the Transactions, do not and will not conflict in any material respect with or violate in any material respect, constitute a material default (or event which with the giving of notice or lapse of time, or both, would constitute a material default) under, give rise to any right of termination, amendment, modification, acceleration or cancellation of any material obligation or loss of any material benefit under, result in the creation of any Encumbrance other than a Permitted Encumbrance on any of the Assets pursuant to, or require Seller to obtain any consent, waiver, approval or action of, make any filing with, or give any notice to any Person as a result of or under, the terms and provisions of (i) the Organizational Documents of Seller, (ii) any Business Contract to which Seller is a party or by which any Asset is bound, or (iii) any Law applicable to Seller or any of the Assets, or any Governmental Order issued by a Governmental Authority by Seller or any of the Assets is bound or obligated.

4.4 Government Consents. Except as set forth in Schedule 4.4 hereto, no material consent, waiver, approval, order or authorization of, or notification, registration, qualification, designation, declaration or filing with, any Governmental Authority is required on the part of Seller in connection with the execution and delivery by Seller of this Agreement and the Operative Agreements to which Seller is a party, the performance by Seller of its obligations hereunder and thereunder, and the consummation by Seller of the Transactions, except the FCC Consent.

4.5 Title to Assets. Schedule 4.5(a) contains an accurate and complete list of all material items of Equipment owned or leased by Seller as of the date hereof that relates to the program, production, generation or transmission of the Station's television broadcast signal, or otherwise having an original acquisition cost of at least \$50,000. Seller has good and marketable title to or a valid leasehold interest in, or otherwise has the right to use, all Assets, free and clear of all Encumbrances except for Permitted Encumbrances. All tangible Assets are (a) in good operating condition and repair, subject to normal wear and tear, for their current use, and available for use, in the operation of the Station and the conduct of the Station as presently conducted, and (b) maintained in compliance with good industry practice and all applicable FCC rules and policies. The Assets are sufficient for the continued conduct of the Station after the Closing in substantially the same manner as conducted prior to the Closing and constitute all of the rights, property and assets necessary to conduct the Station as presently conducted. Except as set forth in Schedule 4.5(b), none of the Excluded Assets are material to the operation of the Station as presently conducted.

4.6 Intellectual Property and Proprietary Rights. Schedule 4.6 sets forth a list of all applications and registrations for Business Intellectual Property and sets forth the owner and nature of the interest of Seller therein, and a list of the homepages of the Station's Internet websites.

(a) Seller is the owner of all right, title and interest in and to each item of Business Intellectual Property and/or has the right to use the Business Intellectual Property in connection with the operation of the Station as currently conducted.

(b) (i) To the Knowledge of Seller, neither the making, using, selling, offering for sale, importing, copying, distributing, making derivative works, publicly displaying or publicly performing the Business Intellectual Property nor the operation of the Station as currently conducted infringes or otherwise conflicts with the Intellectual Property rights of any Person and (ii) no claim is pending or, to the Knowledge of Seller, has been threatened with respect to the Business Intellectual Property or in connection with the operation of the Station as currently conducted.

(c) To the Knowledge of Seller, (i) none of the Business Intellectual Property owned by Seller is being materially infringed, nor (ii) is such Business Intellectual Property being used or available for use by any Person other than Seller.

(d) The Station has taken reasonable precautions to prevent the presence of, and, none of the IT Assets contain or have contained, any Malicious Instruction. The Station owns or has a license, sufficient for the operation of the Station, to use all IT Assets, all of which rights shall survive unchanged by the consummation of the Transactions contemplated hereby (assuming consent is obtained where required). The IT Assets (i) are sufficient to operate the Station as currently conducted, (ii) have not experienced any malfunction, failure, breakdown, downtime or continued substandard performance that, alone or in the aggregate, has or would reasonably be expected to result in (A) any substantial disruption or interruption in or to the use of any IT Asset, (B) production websites of the Station available to the public becoming inoperable or unavailable, (C) any material violation of any applicable Law or (D) any material Liability to the Seller, and (iii) are adequate to allow the Station to comply in all material respects with data retention, data privacy and security obligations under applicable Law. None of the IT Assets has suffered any security breaches. The Station has backup and disaster recovery technology, plans, procedures and facilities consistent with industry practices.

#### 4.7 Material Contracts.

(a) Schedule 4.7(a) lists each of the following Contracts (x) by which any of the Assets are bound or affected or (y) to which Seller or any of its Affiliates is a party or by which it is bound in connection with the Station or the Assets (such Contracts being "Material Contracts"):

(i) all Contracts involving aggregate consideration in excess of \$75,000 and which, in each case, cannot be cancelled without penalty or without more than ninety (90) days' notice;

(ii) all Contracts that relate to the acquisition or disposition of any business, a material amount of stock or assets of any other Person or any Real Property (whether by merger, sale of stock, sale of assets or otherwise);

(iii) all employment agreements and Contracts with independent contractors or consultants (or similar arrangements) and which are not cancellable without material penalty or without more than ninety (90) days' notice;

(iv) all Contracts relating to indebtedness (including, without limitation, guarantees) in excess of \$75,000;

(v) all Contracts with any Governmental Authority;

(vi) all Contracts that limit or purport to limit the ability of Seller to compete in any line of business or with any Person or in any geographic area or during any period of time;

(vii) all joint venture, partnership or similar Contracts;

(viii) all Contracts for the sale of any of the Assets or for the grant to any Person of any option, right of first refusal or preferential or similar right to purchase any of the Assets;

(ix) all collective bargaining agreements or Contracts with any union;

(x) all Contracts to pay or receive any royalty or license fee or to license (either as licensor or licensee) any Intellectual Property (other than any non-exclusive license for the use of any commercially available off the shelf software which was entered into in the Ordinary Course of Business);

(xi) all Real Property Leases; and

(xii) all Business Contracts that are material to the Assets or the operation of the Station and not previously disclosed pursuant to this Section 4.7(a).

(b) Except as set forth in Schedule 4.7(b) hereto (i) each Material Contract represents a valid, binding and enforceable obligation of Seller in accordance with the respective terms thereof and, to Seller's Knowledge, represents a valid, binding and enforceable obligation of each of the other parties thereto, except, in each case, as such enforceability may be limited by the Enforceability Exceptions, (ii) neither Seller nor, to the Knowledge of Seller, any other party is in material breach or default under any Material Contract, (iii) as of the date hereof no outstanding notice of default has been sent or received by Seller under any Material Contract, (iv) there are no material disputes pending or threatened under any Material Contract and (v) true, correct and complete copies of such Material Contracts have been made available to Purchaser. The Station is carried pursuant to must-carry or retransmission consent on all material MVPDs with at least 2,500 subscribers in the applicable Station's designated market area.

4.8 Business Licenses. Except as set forth in Schedule 4.8, Seller owns or possesses all right, title and interest in and to all FCC Licenses and all other material Licenses which are necessary for it to conduct the operations of the Station as currently conducted or for the ownership and use of the Assets (each, a "Material Business License" and, collectively, the "Material Business Licenses"). Schedule 4.8 hereto contains a list of all Material Business Licenses of Seller included in the Assets.

All Material Business Licenses have been obtained by Seller and are valid and in full force and effect. All fees and charges with respect to such Material Business Licenses as of the date hereof have been paid in full. No loss or expiration of any such Material Business License has occurred, is pending or, to the Knowledge of Seller, has been threatened, other than (a) the expiration of any such Material Business License in accordance with the terms thereof which may be renewed in the Ordinary Course of Business, or (b) the expiration of the terms of the Material Business Licenses that remain in effect by operation of Law pending disposition of pending renewal applications.

4.9 Business Employees. Seller has made available to Purchaser a list of all employees of Seller who, as of the date of this Agreement, have employment duties related to the Station, including any such employee who is an inactive employee on paid or unpaid leave of absence, short-term disability or long-term disability, and indicating such employee's initial date of employment, current title as of the date hereof, classification as exempt or non-exempt under the Fair Labor Standards Act, base salary or regular hourly rate as of the date hereof, any incentive or variable compensation eligibility as of the date hereof, total wages paid to such employee for the prior calendar year and unused paid time off (or sick and vacation) balance. Each employee who remains employed by Seller immediately prior to the Closing (whether actively or inactive), and each additional employee who is hired to work at the Station following the date hereof and prior to the Closing who remains employed by Seller immediately prior to the Closing (whether actively or inactive), is referred to herein individually as a "Business Employee" and, collectively, as the "Business Employees." Seller has made available to Purchaser a list of any consultants or independent contractors providing services to Seller in the day-to-day operations of the Station and a description of any Contracts of Seller therewith. Except as described in Schedule 4.9 ("Employment Contracts"), Seller does not have any written or oral Contracts of employment with any Business Employee other than oral employment agreements terminable at will without penalty.

4.10 Employee Benefit Plans.

(a) Schedule 4.10(a) hereto lists each material Employee Plan of Seller.

(b) Neither Seller nor any ERISA Affiliate is or has ever been required to contribute to any "multiemployer plan," as defined in ERISA Section 3(37), nor has Seller or an ERISA Affiliate withdrawn from such a "multiemployer plan." Except as required under Internal Revenue Code Section 4980B or ERISA Sections 601-609, no Employee Plan of Seller provides health or medical coverage to former employees of Seller (or any spouse or dependent thereof). Each Employee Plan of Seller has been operated and maintained in material compliance with its terms and with the requirements prescribed by all applicable Law (including ERISA and the Internal Revenue Code).

(c) With respect to each Employee Plan, (i) such Employee Plan that is intended to be tax-qualified, and each amendment thereto, is the subject of a favorable determination, advisory or opinion letter except as described in Schedule 4.10(c), and no Employee Plan amendment that is not the subject of a favorable determination, advisory or opinion letter would affect the validity of such Employee Plan's letter; and (ii) no Employee Plan is subject to Title IV of ERISA.

(d) Except as set forth in Schedule 4.10(d), no Employee Plan of Seller exist that, as a result of the executive of this Agreement or the Transactions contemplated by this

Agreement (whether alone or in connection with any subsequent event(s)), would reasonably be expected to (i) result in the payment of severance or any increase in severance pay upon termination of employment after the date of this Agreement of an Business Employee or (ii) accelerate the time of payments or vesting or result in any forfeiture, payment or funding (through a grantor trust or otherwise) of compensation or benefits under, increase the amount payable or result in any other material obligation pursuant to any Employee Plans of Seller with respect to Business Employees.

4.11 Financial Statements. Seller has delivered to Purchaser true, correct and complete copies of the following financial statements (collectively, the “Financial Statements”): (a) the audited balance sheet of the Station as of June 30, 2021 and June 30, 2020; (b) the related audited income statements of the Station for the years ended June 30, 2021 and June 30, 2020; (c) the unaudited balance sheet (the “Latest Balance Sheet”) of the Station as of September 30, 2021 (the “Latest Balance Sheet Date”); and (d) the related unaudited income statements of the Station for the three-month period ended on the Latest Balance Sheet Date. The Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with GAAP as in effect on the Latest Balance Sheet Date, consistently applied throughout the periods involved, and were derived from the books and records of the Station and fairly present, in all material respects, the financial position and results of operations of the Station as of the respective dates thereof and for the respective periods indicated therein, except as otherwise noted therein and subject, in the case of the Latest Balance Sheet and the income statement of the Station for the three-month period ended on the Latest Balance Sheet Date, to normal and recurring year-end adjustments (the effect of which will not be materially adverse). Seller maintains a standard system of accounting for the Station established and administered in accordance with GAAP. Seller has no Liabilities with respect to the Station, except (i) those which are adequately reflected or reserved against in the Latest Balance Sheet as of the Latest Balance Sheet Date, and (b) those which have been incurred in the Ordinary Course of Business since the Latest Balance Sheet Date and which are not, individually or in the aggregate, material in amount.

#### 4.12 Real Property.

(a) Schedule 4.12(a) lists the address and owner of all Owned Real Property. Immediately prior to the Closing, Seller will have good and marketable fee simple title to its respective Owned Real Property free and clear of Encumbrances, other than Assumed Liabilities and Permitted Encumbrances. Seller is not obligated under and is not a party to any option, right of first refusal or other contractual right to purchase, acquire, sell, assign or dispose of any of the Owned Real Property or any portion thereof or interest therein. Except as set forth in Schedule 4.12(a), Seller has not leased or otherwise granted to any Person the right to use or occupy any of the Owned Real Property or any portion of the income or profits from the sale, operation or development thereof.

(b) Schedule 4.12(b) lists the Leased Real Property, which is all of the real property leased to Seller and used or held for use primarily in connection with the Station. Seller has good leasehold title to its interests in the Leased Real Property, free and clear of all Encumbrances, except for Permitted Encumbrances. With respect to the Leased Real Property, Seller is in peaceable possession under each such Real Property Lease to which it is a party.

(c) To Seller’s Knowledge, all of the Owned Real Property has access to public roads or streets, and all utilities and services necessary for the proper and lawful conduct in all material respects and operation of the Station as now conducted by Seller. There do not exist any

actual or, to the Knowledge of Seller, threatened condemnation or eminent domain proceedings, planned public improvements, annexation, special assessments, zoning or subdivision changes, or other adverse claims affecting any of the Owned Real Property, and, within the last two (2) years, Seller has not received any written notice of the intention of any Governmental Authority or other Person to take or use all or any part thereof.

(d) Except as set forth on Schedule 4.12(d), to Seller's Knowledge: (i) there is no private restrictive covenant or governmental use restriction (including zoning) on all or any portion of the Owned Real Property that prohibits or materially interferes with the current use by Seller of the Owned Real Property; and (ii) all material permits required for the occupancy and operation of the Owned Real Property as presently being used by Seller have been obtained and are in full force and effect in all material respects, and, as of the date hereof, Seller has not received any notices of material default or material violations in connection with such items. All Improvements located on the Real Property (A) are in adequate condition and repair (ordinary wear and tear excepted); and (B) are adequate to operate in all material respects the Station as presently operated by Seller.

#### 4.13 Litigation; Governmental Orders.

(a) Except as set forth in Schedule 4.13 or Schedule 4.15(b) hereto, there are no pending or, to the Knowledge of Seller, threatened Actions by any Person or Governmental Authority against or relating to Seller, the Station, the Assets or the Assumed Liabilities or that challenge or seek to prevent, enjoin or otherwise delay the Transactions. No event has occurred, or circumstances exist, that may give rise to, or serve as a basis for, any such Action.

(b) Except as set forth in Schedule 4.13, Seller is not subject to or bound by any Governmental Order and there are no unsatisfied judgments, penalties or awards against, relating to or affecting the Station. No event has occurred or circumstances exist that may constitute or result in (with or without notice or lapse of time) a violation of any Governmental Order.

4.14 Compliance with Laws. Except as set forth in Schedule 4.14, Seller has complied, and is now complying, with all Laws and Governmental Orders applicable to the conduct of the Station as currently conducted or the ownership and use of the Assets.

#### 4.15 FCC/FAA Matters; Qualifications.

(a) Schedule 4.15(a) contains a list of all FCC Licenses and a list, as of the date hereof, of all pending FCC applications held by Seller for use in the operation of the Station. Except as set forth on Schedule 4.15(a), such FCC Licenses are in full force and effect, and, to Seller's Knowledge, such FCC Licenses are not subject to any adverse conditions, except for those conditions appearing on the face of the FCC Licenses and conditions applicable to broadcast television licenses generally.

(b) Except as set forth on Schedule 4.15(b), (i) the Station is being operated in compliance in all material respects with the Communications Act and the FCC Licenses with respect to the operation of the Station and (ii) Seller has filed or made all material applications, reports, and other disclosures required by the FCC or the Federal Aviation Administration to be made in respect of the Station and have or will have at the Closing timely paid all regulatory fees in respect thereof. Except as set forth in Schedule 4.15(b), to the Knowledge of Seller, as of the date hereof, there are

no complaints, investigations, proceedings or other Actions pending or threatened in writing before the FCC with respect to the FCC Licenses, other than proceedings affecting the broadcast television industry generally. Except as set forth on Schedule 4.15(b), Seller is legally, financially and otherwise qualified under the Communications Act to perform its obligations hereunder, to be the licensee and to own and operate the Station. There is no fact or circumstance relating to Seller or any of its Affiliates that would reasonably be expected to prevent the FCC under the Communications Act in effect as of the date hereof from granting the FCC applications, that would delay the granting of the FCC Consent, or that would cause the FCC to impose any condition on its granting of the FCC Consent. Seller has no reason to believe that the FCC applications might not be granted by the FCC in the ordinary course due to any fact or circumstance relating to Seller or any of its Affiliates.

#### 4.16 Labor and Employment Matters.

(a) Except as set forth on Schedule 4.16(a) hereto, there is not pending or, to the Knowledge of Seller, threatened in writing against Seller, any labor dispute, strike or work stoppage that affects or interferes with the operation of the Station and, to the Knowledge of Seller, there is no organizational effort currently being made or threatened in writing by or on behalf of any labor union with respect to Business Employees of the Station. The Station has not experienced any strike, work stoppage or other similar significant labor difficulties within the three (3) years preceding the date of this Agreement.

(b) Except as set forth on Schedule 4.16(b) hereto, (i) Seller is not a party to, or otherwise bound by, any collective bargaining agreement which covers employees or former employees of Seller, (ii) Seller has not agreed to recognize any union or other collective bargaining unit with respect to any Business Employees, and (iii) to the Knowledge of Seller, no union or other collective bargaining unit has been certified, or is presently seeking to be certified, as representing any Business Employees.

(c) To the Knowledge of Seller, Seller has been and is in compliance in all material respects with all applicable Laws concerning labor and employment with respect to the Business Employees.

(d) Seller has in its files a Form I-9 that is validly and properly completed in accordance with applicable Law for each Business Employee with respect to whom such form is required under applicable Law.

(e) Except for travel advances in the Ordinary Course of Business, Seller has not loaned any money to any Business Employee.

(f) Seller has made available to Purchaser a true and complete copy of each employee handbook or other material written policies that apply to Business Employees.

4.17 Environmental Matters. Except as disclosed on Schedule 4.17 and except as would not reasonably be expected to result in Seller or the Real Property incurring any material Liability under any applicable Environmental Law:

(a) To the Knowledge of Seller, the Real Property is in compliance in all material respects with all Environmental Laws applicable to the Station as presently conducted by Seller.

(b) To the Knowledge of Seller, there is not currently, nor during the past five (5) years has there been, any of the following: (i) handling of any Hazardous Substances on any Real Property except in compliance with applicable legal requirements, (ii) presence of Hazardous Substances on any Real Property except in compliance with applicable legal requirements, (iii) underground tanks for the storage of Hazardous Substances located on any Real Property, and (iv) complaints regarding asbestos, toxic mold, or other indoor air quality issues on any Real Property. To the actual Knowledge of Seller (without any due inquiry required solely for purposes of this sentence), there is not currently, nor during the past five (5) years has there been, any of the following on any property adjacent to the Real Property: (i) any Large Quantity Generators of Hazardous Waste, as defined in the Resource, Recovery and Conservation Act (RCRA) 42 U.S.C. 6901 et. seq. and its implementing regulations or any Release of Hazardous Substances that have not been remediated.

(c) To the actual Knowledge of Seller, without investigation, there have not within the past five (5) years been any Releases of any Hazardous Substances in excess of reportable quantities at, from, on or under any Real Property.

(d) Seller has obtained any material permits, licenses, registrations and other approvals and has filed all material reports and notifications required under any Environmental Laws in connection with the Assets, and is in compliance in all material respects with all applicable Environmental Laws relating to the Stations. Within the last five (5) years, Seller has not received any written notice of or, to Seller's Knowledge, is the subject of, any Action by any person alleging liability under or noncompliance with any Environmental Law. Seller has delivered to Purchaser copies of all material non-privileged reports, notices, or other documentation relating to Hazardous Substances on the Real Property that are in possession of Seller and that have been obtained within the last five (5) years.

4.18 Insurance. Seller maintains insurance in respect of the Assets and the Station covering such risks, in such amounts, with such terms and with such insurers as Seller has determined is appropriate in light of the Station and consistent in all material respects with industry practice (such insurance, the "Business Insurance Policies"). Schedule 4.18 hereto sets forth, as of the date hereof, a true and correct list of all Business Insurance Policies, all of which are in full force and effect in all material respects as of the date hereof. There are no claims related to the Business, the Assets or the Assumed Liabilities pending under any the Business Insurance Policies as to which coverage has been questioned, denied or disputed or in respect of which there is an outstanding reservation of rights. Neither Seller nor any of its Affiliates has received any written notice of cancellation of, premium increase with respect to, or alteration of coverage under, any Business Insurance Policy. None of Seller or any of its Affiliates is in default under, or has otherwise failed to comply with, in any material respect, any provision contained in any Business Insurance Policy.

4.19 Taxes. Seller has timely filed (taking into account all properly obtained extension) all Tax Returns required to be filed by it. At the time of filing, all such Tax Returns were true, complete and correct in all respects. All Taxes due and owing by Seller, whether or not shown thereon, have been timely paid. No statute of limitations has been waived and no extension of time during which a



Tax assessment or deficiency assessment may be made with respect to any Tax incurred in connection with the Station has been agreed to, which waiver or extension is still outstanding. Seller has timely withheld, collected, deposited, or paid each Tax required to have been withheld, collected, deposited, or paid in connection with amounts allocable, paid, or owing to, or paid by, any employee, independent contractor, customer, taxing authority, or other creditor. Seller has complied with all information reporting and backup withholding provisions of applicable Law with respect to such amounts. There are no Encumbrances for Taxes (other than for Taxes not yet due and payable) upon the Assets. No claim has been made by any taxing authority or governmental body in any jurisdiction where Seller does not file Tax Returns that Seller is, or may be, subject to Tax by that jurisdiction. The Seller is or ever has been a party to or the beneficiary of any Tax exemption, Tax holiday or other Tax reduction Contract or order with respect to the Station or the Assets.

4.20 Transactions with Affiliates. Except as disclosed on Schedule 4.20, Seller is not currently a party to any Contract with any of its Affiliates, or directors or officers of any such Affiliates that would be an Asset, and none of Seller, any of its Affiliates, or any directors or officers of any such Affiliates has any ownership interest in any assets or property used by Seller or any of its Affiliates with respect to the Station.

4.21 Brokers. Except as set forth on Schedule 4.21, no finder, broker, agent, financial advisor or other intermediary has acted on behalf of Seller in connection with this Agreement or the Transactions or is entitled to any payment in connection herewith or therewith.

4.22 Privacy and Cybersecurity.

(a) Seller has posted privacy policies governing its use of Personal Information on its public websites that materially meet the requirements of applicable Privacy and Security Laws and Standards, and Seller's processing activities are in material compliance with such policies.

(b) Seller has (i) developed, implemented, and maintained commercially reasonable and necessary administrative, physical and technical safeguards designed to protect the confidentiality, integrity and availability of Personal Information in its possession or control, and to prevent the loss and unauthorized use, access, alteration, destruction or disclosure of such Personal Information, and (ii) trained its employees to implement and follow these safeguards.

(c) Seller has not, in the past three (3) years, been subject to or received notice of any Action or Governmental Order or claim by any Person or written complaints regarding the protection, collection, access, use, storage, disposal, disclosure or transfer of Personal Information or the violation of any applicable Privacy and Security Law or Standard. To the Knowledge of Seller, no such Action is threatened against Seller.

(d) Seller has not, in the past three (3) years, discovered or been notified of any unauthorized acquisition, use, disclosure, access to, or breach of any Personal Information that (i) constitutes a breach or a data security incident under any applicable Privacy and Security Law or Standard or any Business Contract; or (ii) materially compromises (individually or in the aggregate) the security or privacy of such Personal Information.

(e) Seller does not have any contractual obligation to maintain Personal Information in a manner that logically separates data of one business from that of another.

(f) Seller has not, in the past three (3) years, reported a breach or compromise of Personal Information to any Person or Governmental Authority, either voluntarily or based on any contractual obligations or Privacy and Security Laws and Standards.

(g) To the Knowledge of Seller, the consummation of Transactions does not violate any Privacy and Security Laws and Standards, contractual obligation related to Personal Information, or Seller privacy policy. Upon the Closing Date, Purchaser will own and continue to have the right to use all Personal Information on identical terms and conditions as Seller enjoyed immediately prior to the Closing Date.

4.23 Absence of Certain Events. Since the Latest Balance Sheet Date, (a) there has not been any Material Adverse Effect on the Station, (b) Seller has operated the Station in the Ordinary Course of Business and (c) there has not been any action or omission that would have been a breach of Section 6.1(b).

4.24 Disclaimer. EXCEPT AS EXPRESSLY PROVIDED IN THIS ARTICLE IV, OR ANY SCHEDULE, CERTIFICATE OR OTHER DOCUMENT DELIVERED BY SELLER PURSUANT TO THIS AGREEMENT, INCLUDING THE OTHER OPERATIVE AGREEMENTS, SELLER DOES NOT MAKE ANY OTHER REPRESENTATIONS OR WARRANTIES OF ANY KIND, NATURE OR DESCRIPTION, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING, ANY WARRANTY OF TITLE, MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS OF ANY ASSET FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE OR WITH RESPECT TO ANY PROJECTIONS OR FUTURE FINANCIAL OR OPERATIONAL PERFORMANCE OF THE STATION, ITS BUSINESS, OR THE ASSETS.

## **ARTICLE V**

### **REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF PURCHASER**

Purchaser hereby represents and warrants to Seller as follows:

5.1 Organization. Purchaser is duly incorporated, validly existing and in good standing under the Laws of the State of North Dakota.

5.2 Authority. Purchaser has all requisite corporate power and authority to enter into and deliver this Agreement and the Operative Agreements to which it is a party, to perform its obligations hereunder and thereunder, to consummate the Transactions, and to assume and perform the Assumed Liabilities. The execution and delivery by Purchaser of this Agreement and the Operative Agreements to which it is a party, the performance by Purchaser of its obligations hereunder and thereunder, the consummation by Purchaser of the Transactions, and the assumption and performance of the Assumed Liabilities, have been duly authorized by all necessary requisite corporate action on the part of Purchaser. This Agreement has been, and the Operative Agreements to which Purchaser is a party shall be, duly executed and delivered by Purchaser. Assuming the due authorization, execution and delivery of this Agreement and the Operative Agreements by Seller, this Agreement constitutes, and each of the Operative Agreements to which Purchaser is a party (when so executed and delivered) will constitute, a legal, valid and binding obligation of Purchaser, enforceable against Purchaser in accordance with its terms, except as such enforceability may be limited by the Enforceability Exceptions.

5.3 No Violation; Third Party Consents. Assuming that all consents, waivers, approvals, orders and authorizations described in Section 5.4 hereto have been obtained and all notifications, registrations, qualifications, designations, declarations or filings with any Governmental Authorities described in Section 5.4 hereto have been made, the execution and delivery by Purchaser of this Agreement and the Operative Agreements to which it is a party, the performance by Purchaser of its obligations hereunder and thereunder, the consummation by Purchaser of the Transactions, and the assumption and performance of the Assumed Liabilities, do not and will not conflict in any material respect with or violate in any material respect, constitute a material default (or event which with the giving of notice or lapse of time, or both, would constitute a material default) under, give rise to any right of termination, amendment, modification, acceleration or cancellation of any material obligation or loss of any material benefit under, result in the creation of any Encumbrance other than a Permitted Encumbrance on any of the assets or properties of Purchaser pursuant to, or require Purchaser to obtain any consent, waiver, approval or action of, make any filing with, or give any notice to any Person as a result or under, the terms or provisions of (i) the organizational documents of Purchaser, (ii) any Contract to which Purchaser is a party or is bound, or (iii) any Law applicable to Purchaser, or any Governmental Order issued by a Governmental Authority by which Purchaser is in any way bound or obligated, except, in the case of clauses (ii) and (iii) of this Section 5.3, as would not have a material adverse effect on the ability of Purchaser to perform its obligations under this Agreement and the Operative Agreements to which it is a party, to assume and perform the Assumed Liabilities or to consummate on a timely basis the Transactions.

5.4 Governmental Consents. No material consent, waiver, approval, order or authorization of, or registration, qualification, designation, declaration or filing with, any Governmental Authority is required on the part of Purchaser in connection with the execution and delivery by Purchaser of this Agreement and the Operative Agreements to which it is a party, the performance by Purchaser of its obligations hereunder and thereunder, the consummation by Purchaser of the Transactions, the assumption and performance of the Assumed Liabilities, except (i) the FCC Consent and (ii) where the failure to obtain such consent, waiver, approval, order or authorization, or to make such registration, qualification, designation, declaration or filing, would not, individually or in the aggregate, have a material adverse effect on the ability of Purchaser to perform its obligations under this Agreement, the Operative Agreements to which it is a party, to assume and perform the Assumed Liabilities or to consummate on a timely basis the Transactions.

5.5 Litigation. There are no pending or, to the knowledge of Purchaser, threatened Actions by any Person or Governmental Authority against or relating to Purchaser (or any Affiliate of Purchaser) or by which Purchaser or its assets or properties are or may be bound which, if adversely determined, would have a material adverse effect on the ability of Purchaser to perform its obligations under this Agreement and the Operative Agreements to which it is a party, to assume and perform the Assumed Liabilities or otherwise impede, prevent or materially delay the consummation of the Transactions.

5.6 Brokers. No finder, broker, agent, financial advisor or other intermediary has acted on behalf of Purchaser in connection with this Agreement or the Transactions or is entitled to any payment in connection herewith or therewith.

5.7 FCC Qualifications. Purchaser is, and at Closing shall be, legally, technically, financially and otherwise qualified under the Communications Act and Law in effect as of the date

hereof to perform its obligations hereunder, and to be the licensee of the FCC Licenses and own and operate the Station (subject to obtaining the Ownership Waiver). Subject to obtaining the Ownership Waiver, under the Communications Act and Law in effect as of the date hereof, to the knowledge of Purchaser, there is no fact or circumstance relating to Purchaser or any of its Affiliates (i) that would reasonably be expected to prevent the FCC from granting the FCC Applications, (ii) that would otherwise reasonably be expected to disqualify Purchaser as the licensee of the FCC Licenses or as the owner or operator of the Station, or (iii) that would cause the FCC to impose any material condition on its granting of the FCC Consent. Other than favorable action on the Ownership Waiver, under the Communications Act and Law in effect as of the date hereof, to the knowledge of Purchaser, no waiver of any FCC rule or policy in effect as of the date hereof is required for the grant of the FCC Applications.

5.8 Financing. Purchaser has sufficient cash, available lines of credit or other sources of funds to enable it to make payment of the Purchase Price and any other amounts to be paid by it in accordance with the terms of this Agreement. Purchaser acknowledges and agrees that it shall be Purchaser's obligation to have funds on hand at the Closing sufficient to enable Purchaser to pay the Purchase Price and Purchaser's failure to have such funds at Closing shall constitute a breach by Purchaser that gives rise to the failure of a condition set forth in Section 7.2 for the purposes of Section 9.1(a).

## **ARTICLE VI**

### **COVENANTS AND AGREEMENTS**

#### **6.1 Conduct of Business.**

(a) At all times during the period commencing upon the execution and delivery of this Agreement by the parties hereto and terminating upon the earlier of the Closing or the termination of this Agreement pursuant to and in accordance with the terms of Section 9.1 hereof, unless Purchaser shall otherwise consent in writing (which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, delayed, denied or conditioned), and except as otherwise required by Law or to enable Seller to comply with its obligations hereunder, Seller shall:

(i) conduct the operations of the Station in the Ordinary Course of Business, except to the extent otherwise provided herein;

(ii) use commercially reasonable efforts to preserve and maintain in all material respects the goodwill of the Station and the current relationships of Seller with employees, customers, suppliers and others with significant and recurring business dealings with the Station;

(iii) maintain all Business Licenses (including FCC Licenses) that are material to the conduct of the business of the Station as currently conducted by Seller, including filing with the FCC applications to renew any FCC Licenses that have expired or that may expire prior to the Closing Date;

(iv) maintain the books of account and records of the Station in the usual, regular and ordinary manner, consistent with past practices;

(v) use commercially reasonable efforts to maintain the Equipment in reasonable operating condition (given the age of such property and the use to which such property is put and ordinary wear and tear excepted) in accordance with industry practice;

(vi) utilize the Program Rights of the Station in the Ordinary Course of Business, and not sell or otherwise dispose of any such Program Rights;

(vii) comply in all material respects with all Laws applicable to the conduct of the Station or the ownership and use of the Assets; and

(viii) advise Purchaser in writing within two (2) Business Days after Seller obtains Knowledge of any complaint, investigation, proceeding or other Action pending or threatened in writing before the FCC with respect to the FCC Licenses.

(b) Without limiting the foregoing, and subject to and limited by Section 6.9 hereof, at all times during the period commencing upon the execution and delivery of this Agreement by the parties hereto and terminating upon the earlier of the Closing or the termination of this Agreement pursuant to and in accordance with the terms of Section 9.1 hereof unless Purchaser shall otherwise consent in writing (which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, delayed, denied or conditioned), Seller shall not take, or cause to be taken, any of the following actions to the extent such actions relate to the Station:

(i) enter into, materially amend, materially modify or terminate (other than at the expiration of their respective terms or due to a default of the other party thereunder) any (1) Business Contract relating to Program Rights, or (2) other Material Contract other than Material Contracts not involving Liabilities exceeding \$40,000 individually in any twelve-month period or \$75,000 in the aggregate in any twelve-month period for all such Material Contracts;

(ii) make any change in any method of accounting or accounting practice utilized in the preparation of the Financial Statements, except for any such change required by reason of a concurrent change in GAAP;

(iii) increase any wage, salary, bonus or other direct or indirect compensation payable or to become payable to any of the Business Employees, or make any accrual for or commitment or agreement to make or pay the same, other than increases in wages, salary, bonuses or other direct or indirect compensation made in the Ordinary Course of Business. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any such increases shall not exceed five percent (5%) individually or in the aggregate, or those required by any existing Business Contract or Law or applicable Bargaining Agreements; provided, however, Seller may offer retention bonuses to any of the Business Employees, at the sole expense of Seller;

(iv) make any payment or commitment to pay any severance or termination pay to any Business Employee or any independent contractor, consultant, agent or other representative of Seller, other than payments or commitments to pay such Business Employees, independent contractors, consultants, agents or other representatives of Seller in accordance with the terms of any existing agreements with such individual, or those required

by any existing Business Contract or Law; provided, however, that Seller may make any such payment or commitment to make any such payment at the sole expense of Seller;

(v) (A) sell or make any other disposition of any of the Assets except (x) obsolete assets that are not in use in the operation of the Station; (y) pursuant to existing Business Contracts; or (z) in the Ordinary Course of Business; and (B) grant or incur any Encumbrance on any of the Assets, other than Permitted Encumbrances;

(vi) incur or assume any debt, obligation or Liability in excess of \$75,000;

(vii) materially amend, materially modify or terminate any Material Business License;

(viii) transfer, assign or grant any license or sublicense under or with respect to any Business Intellectual Property (except non-exclusive licenses or sublicenses granted in the Ordinary Course of Business);

(ix) make any capital expenditures in excess of \$75,000 which would constitute an Assumed Liability;

(x) except in the Ordinary Course of Business, (A) pay, discharge, settle or satisfy any claim, obligation or other Liability (whether absolute, accrued, contingent or otherwise) or (B) otherwise waive, release, grant, assign, transfer, license or permit to lapse any right;

(xi) enter into any settlement or release with respect to any Action relating to the Station that includes any non-monetary relief that materially would impact the Station after Closing;

(xii) adopt any plan of merger, consolidation, reorganization, liquidation or dissolution or filing of a petition in bankruptcy under any provisions of federal or state bankruptcy Law or consent to the filing of any bankruptcy petition against it under any similar Law; or

(xiii) enter into any Contract to do any of the foregoing or take any action or omission that would result in any of the foregoing.

(c) For the avoidance of doubt, nothing contained in this Agreement shall give Purchaser, directly or indirectly, the right to control or direct the Station's operations prior to the Closing. Prior to the Closing, Seller shall exercise, consistent with the terms and conditions of this Agreement, complete control and supervision over the Station's operations.

6.2 Access and Information. Subject to the terms of the Confidentiality Agreement, at all times during the period commencing upon the execution and delivery hereof by the parties hereto and terminating upon the earlier of the Closing or the termination of this Agreement pursuant to and in accordance with the terms of Section 9.1 hereof, Seller shall permit Purchaser and its authorized agents and representatives to have reasonable access, upon reasonable advance notice and during normal business hours, to the Station and the Assets and all of its relevant books, records and

documents of or relating to the Station and the Assets, and shall furnish to Purchaser such information and data, financial records and other documents in its possession relating to the Station and the Assets as Purchaser may reasonably request; provided that such access shall not unduly interrupt the normal operations of the Station, shall be coordinated through Seller's management, and shall comply with all applicable Business Contracts, Permitted Encumbrances and Laws. Within thirty (30) days after the end of each calendar month during the period from the date hereof through the Closing, Seller shall provide to Purchaser, with respect to the Station, the unaudited balance sheet as of the end of such month and the related combined unaudited statement of operations for such month ended of the Station. Within forty-five (45) days after the end of each quarter during the period from the date hereof through the Closing, Seller shall provide to Purchaser, with respect to the Station, the unaudited balance sheet as of the end of such quarter and the related combined unaudited statement of operations for such quarter ended of the Station.

### 6.3 Confidentiality.

(a) The terms of the Confidentiality Agreement are hereby incorporated herein by reference and shall continue in full force and effect from the date hereof until the Closing in accordance with the terms thereof, such that the information obtained by Purchaser, or its officers, employees, agents or representatives, in connection with the negotiation, execution and performance of this Agreement, the consummation of the Transactions, or otherwise, shall be governed by the terms set forth in the Confidentiality Agreement; provided, however, that in the event of the termination of this Agreement, the terms of the Confidentiality Agreement incorporated herein by reference shall survive as set forth therein. The Confidentiality Agreement shall automatically terminate at the Closing without further action by the parties thereto.

(b) From and after the Closing, Seller shall, and shall cause its Affiliates to, hold, and shall use its reasonable best efforts to cause its or their respective representatives to hold, in confidence any and all information, whether written or oral, concerning the Station, except to the extent that Seller can show that such information (i) is generally available to and known by the public through no fault of Seller, any of its Affiliates or their respective representatives; or (ii) is lawfully acquired by Seller, any of its Affiliates or their respective representatives from and after the Closing from sources which are not prohibited from disclosing such information by a legal, contractual or fiduciary obligation. If Seller or any of its Affiliates or their respective representatives are compelled to disclose any information by judicial or administrative process or by other requirements of Law, Seller shall promptly notify Purchaser in writing and shall disclose only that portion of such information which Seller is advised by its counsel in writing is legally required to be disclosed, provided that Seller shall use reasonable best efforts to obtain an appropriate protective order or other reasonable assurance that confidential treatment will be accorded such information.

### 6.4 Further Actions.

(a) Upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in this Agreement (including the terms of Section 6.4(b) hereof), Seller and Purchaser shall each use their respective commercially reasonable efforts to take, or cause to be taken, all appropriate action, and to do, or cause to be done, and to assist and cooperate with the other parties hereto in doing, all things necessary, proper or advisable under applicable Laws to consummate the Transactions, including, without limitation (but subject to Section 3.5): (i) obtaining all necessary Licenses, actions or

nonactions, waivers, consents or approvals, authorizations, qualifications and other orders of any Governmental Authorities with competent jurisdiction over the Transactions, and (ii) obtaining all necessary consents, approvals or waivers from third parties. In furtherance (and not in limitation) of the provisions set forth in this Agreement, at all times prior to the Closing, Purchaser and Seller shall use their respective commercially reasonable efforts to take or cause to be taken all actions necessary or desirable in order to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement as promptly as is practicable. Purchaser and Seller further agree to comply with Schedule 6.4(a).

(b) Also in furtherance and not in limitation of Section 6.4(a), Purchaser and Seller each shall prepare and file with the FCC as soon as practicable, but in no event later than twenty (20) Business Days after the execution of this Agreement, the requisite applications (the “FCC Applications”) and other necessary instruments or documents requesting the FCC Consent and thereafter prosecute such applications with all reasonable diligence to obtain the FCC Consent as soon as practicable; provided, however, neither Purchaser nor Seller shall be required to pay consideration to any third party to obtain the FCC Consent. The parties shall each pay one-half of the FCC filing fees relating to the Transactions, irrespective of whether the transactions contemplated by this Agreement are consummated. Purchaser and Seller each shall oppose any petitions to deny or other objections filed with respect to the FCC Applications to the extent such petition or objection relates to such party. Neither Purchaser nor Seller shall take any intentional action that would, or intentionally fail to take such action the failure of which to take would, reasonably be expected to have the effect of materially delaying the receipt of the FCC Consent; provided however, that Purchaser and Seller will make FCC applications and other filings in the ordinary course, including, but not limited to, applications for renewal of license. If the Closing shall not have occurred for any reason within the original effective period of the FCC Consent, and neither party shall have terminated this Agreement under Section 9.1, Purchaser and Seller shall jointly request that the FCC extend the effective period of the FCC Consent. No extension of the FCC Consent shall limit the right of either party to exercise its rights under Section 9.1.

(c) Seller and Purchaser acknowledge that under the rules and policies of the FCC in effect as of the date of this Agreement, a satellite certification showing and a public interest showing must be made to the FCC seeking from the FCC a waiver of the FCC’s local television ownership rule (collectively, the “Ownership Waiver”), and the grant of the Ownership Waiver is necessary to obtain the FCC Consent because of the media ownership interests of Purchaser that would result following the Closing. Each of Purchaser and Seller shall pay the costs of any third parties incurred in the preparation of the request for the Ownership Waiver and retained by such party. Seller and Purchaser shall cooperate fully in the preparation of the request for the Ownership Waiver and shall promptly respond to requests from the FCC to provide information concerning the Ownership Waiver or the FCC Applications.

(d) In connection with the efforts referenced in this Section 6.4 to obtain the FCC Consent, Purchaser and Seller shall each use its respective commercially reasonable efforts to (i) cooperate in all respects with each other in connection with any filing or submission and in connection with any investigation or other inquiry, including any proceeding initiated by a private party, (ii) keep the other party informed in all material respects of any material communication received by such party from, or given by such party to, the FCC or any other Governmental Authority and of any material communication received or given in connection with any proceeding by a private party, (iii) permit the other party the opportunity to review in advance any submissions to any



Governmental Authority or material agreement that relates to the consummation of the Transactions and (iv) permit the other party to attend any meetings with any Governmental Authority or participate in any communications with any Governmental Authority. Seller shall be permitted by Purchaser to enter into tolling agreements with the FCC to extend the statute of limitations for the FCC to determine or impose a forfeiture penalty against Seller, or other customary agreements with the FCC, in connection with any pending complaint against Seller relating to the broadcast of allegedly obscene, indecent or profane material, or regarding Seller's compliance with other FCC rules.

(e) Purchaser and Seller shall, in connection with any review of the transactions contemplated hereby by any Governmental Authority other than the FCC, use commercially reasonable efforts to (i) cooperate in all respects with each other in connection with any communication, filing or submission and in connection with any investigation or other inquiry, including any proceeding initiated by a private party; (ii) keep the other party and its counsel informed of any communication received by such party from, or given by such party to, any such Governmental Authority and of any communication received or given in connection with any proceeding by a private party, in each case regarding any of the transactions contemplated hereby; and (iii) consult with each other in advance of any meeting or conference with any Governmental Authority or, in connection with any proceeding by a private party, with any other Person, and to the extent permitted by such Governmental Authority or other Person, give the other party and its counsel the opportunity to attend and participate in such meetings and conferences. Purchaser shall, on behalf of the parties, control and lead all communications and strategy for dealing with any governmental agency other than the FCC or any other Person in connection with the proposed transactions contemplated hereby. Purchaser shall pay its costs and the reasonable costs of Seller in an amount not to exceed \$100,000 in the aggregate (including attorneys' fees) in the event that any Governmental Authority other than the FCC inquires about, investigates, challenges or in any way otherwise requires information about any aspects of the transactions contemplated under this Agreement.

(f) Notwithstanding the foregoing, or anything in this Agreement to the contrary, in no event shall Purchaser or any of its Affiliates be required to, and in no event will Seller agree or permit the Station to agree, without the prior written consent of Purchaser, to take any of the following actions in connection with obtaining any consents or approvals from any Governmental Authority: (i) sell, license or otherwise dispose of, or hold separate or agree to sell, license or otherwise dispose of, any entities, assets or facilities of Purchaser, any of Purchaser's Affiliates, or the Station, (ii) terminate, amend or assign existing relationships and contractual rights and obligations of Purchaser, Purchaser's Affiliates or the Station, (iii) amend, assign or terminate existing licenses or other agreements or enter into such new licenses or other agreements, (iv) otherwise take or commit to take any actions that before or after the Closing would limit Purchaser's or any of its or its Affiliates' or the Station's freedom of action with respect to, or its ability to retain, one or more of its or its Affiliates' businesses, product lines, licenses, operations, rights, assets or rights or interests therein, (v) defend, contest or otherwise resist any action or order, including any proceeding seeking a temporary restraining order or preliminary injunction, by any Governmental Authority or private party, challenging any of the transactions contemplated hereby, (vi) pay any sums or concede anything of value, or (vii) take any action as a result of any request for additional information and documentary material or other inquiry from any Governmental Authority that is, in the reasonable judgment of Purchaser, reasonably likely to result, directly or indirectly, in Purchaser or any of its Affiliates or the Station taking any action set forth in the foregoing subsections (i) through (vi).

6.5 Publicity. Seller and Purchaser shall cooperate with each other in the development and distribution of all news releases and other public disclosures relating to the Transactions. Neither Seller nor Purchaser shall issue or make, or allow to have issued or made, any press release or public announcement concerning the Transactions without the consent of the other party hereto, except as otherwise required by applicable Law, but in any event only after giving the other parties hereto a reasonable opportunity to comment on such release or announcement in advance, consistent with such applicable legal requirements.

6.6 Transaction Costs. Purchaser shall pay all transaction costs and expenses (including legal, accounting and other professional fees and expenses) that it incurs in connection with the negotiation, execution and performance of this Agreement and the consummation of the Transactions. Seller shall pay all transaction costs and expenses (including legal, accounting and other professional fees and expenses) that it incurs in connection with the negotiation, execution and performance of this Agreement and the consummation of the Transactions. Purchaser and Seller each shall pay one-half of all transfer Taxes (including sales, use and real property transfer Taxes) and fees and costs of recording or filing all applicable conveyancing instruments associated with the transfer of the Assets from Seller to Purchaser pursuant to this Agreement. Consistent with Section 6.4(b) above, each party shall pay one-half of all FCC filing fees. Seller and Purchaser shall cooperate in the preparation, execution and filing of all Tax Returns regarding any transfer Taxes which become payable as a result of the transfer of the Assets from Seller to Purchaser pursuant to this Agreement and shall cooperate to seek an available exemption from such Taxes (as applicable).

6.7 Employees and Employee Benefit Matters.

(a) Purchaser shall offer employment in accordance with the provisions of this Section 6.7 to each Business Employee identified by Purchaser in its sole discretion (which list shall be provided by Purchaser to Seller in writing at least five (5) Business Days prior to the Closing Date) effective as of the Closing Date (provided such Business Employee is employed with Seller as of such date). Notwithstanding the foregoing, the offers of employment to any Business Employee who is covered by an Employment Contract shall include terms and conditions of employment that are materially comparable to the terms and conditions set forth in the applicable Employment Contract. Purchaser's offer of employment to each Business Employee on short-term or long-term disability who is not actively employed as of the Closing Date shall be made promptly when such Business Employee is eligible to return to active service at any time within the six (6)-month period following the Closing Date, or if longer, during the period Business Employee has a right to re-employment under applicable Law. Business Employees whose employment with Seller terminates and who accept or are treated by Purchaser as accepting such offers of employment by and actually commence employment with Purchaser (or its Affiliates) in accordance with this Section 6.7 are referred to collectively herein as the "Transferred Employees." Prior to and through the Closing Date, Seller will be liable for all accrued but unpaid salaries, wages, vacation, or other paid time off, incentive compensation or other Liabilities related to the employment of the Business Employees. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Section 6.7 or elsewhere, (i) Seller will remain responsible for payment of any and all severance, retention, change in control or other similar compensation or benefits which are or may become payable in connection with the consummation of the Transactions and (ii) Purchaser will be responsible for the payment of compensation, bonus or other payment owed to any Transferred Employee arising after the Closing Date as a result of Purchaser's employment of such Transferred Employee. Until the first anniversary of the Closing

Date (provided the applicable Transferred Employee is still employed by Purchaser), Purchaser shall provide each Transferred Employee (i) the same (or greater) salary, hourly wage rate, overtime and premium pay they receive from Seller as of the date hereof, (ii) substantially similar (or greater) target bonus, commission and incentive pay opportunity as applicable to similarly situated employees of Purchaser having the same or similar job functions and responsibilities and seniority as such Transferred Employee and (iii) employee benefits that are substantially similar in the aggregate to those provided to similarly situated employees of Purchaser. On the Closing Date, Purchaser shall provide Seller with a list of the Transferred Employees as of the Closing Date. Unless otherwise provided under the terms of an Employment Contract, each Transferred Employee shall be employed by Purchaser on an at will basis and nothing shall prohibit Purchaser from establishing any initial terms or conditions of employment for any Transferred Employee, from terminating the employment of any Transferred Employee at any time after the Closing Date or changing any of the terms and conditions of employment related to such Transferred Employees at any time, except for such changes that are inconsistent with Purchaser's obligations as set forth in this Section 6.7.

(b) For the avoidance of doubt, without limiting the foregoing, Purchaser shall not assume any written employment agreement, nor owe any obligation to, any Business Employee who is not a Transferred Employee.

(c) If any Business Employee to whom Purchaser has offered employment in accordance with this Section 6.7 does not consent to employment with Purchaser or for any other reason (other than rescission of such offer by Purchaser for any reason other than the Business Employee's failure to satisfy Purchaser's employment conditions) does not commence employment with Purchaser, such employee shall be deemed to have voluntarily resigned from employment with Seller and no severance shall be payable to such employee by Seller.

(d) Purchaser shall take all commercially reasonable actions to permit Transferred Employees (and their spouses and dependents) to participate in its "employee welfare benefit plans" as defined under ERISA (including without limitation health insurance plans) in which similarly situated employees of Purchaser are generally eligible to participate, with coverage effective immediately on the Closing Date (and without exclusion from coverage on account of any pre-existing condition except to the extent such Persons were subject to such pre-existing condition limitations under Seller's group health plan prior to Closing). Transferred Employees' service with Seller (and any predecessors of Seller) will be deemed as service with Purchaser for purposes of eligibility, waiting periods, vesting periods and benefits based on length of service, and calculation of vacation and severance benefits, if applicable (other than benefit accrual under a defined benefit pension plan and Purchaser's discretionary match under Purchaser's 401(k) plan), and with any credit under any welfare plan for any deductibles or co-insurance paid for the current plan year under any plan maintained by Seller (to the extent such information is provided to Purchaser by Seller or its agent in a timely manner).

(e) Following the Closing Date, Seller shall take all commercially reasonable actions to ensure that under the terms of the Seller's profit-sharing plan and 401(k) plan and to the extent permitted by applicable Law, each Transferred Employee with an account balance is eligible to receive a distribution as a result of their separation from employment with Seller as of the applicable effective date of their employment with Purchaser. From and after the Closing Date, Purchaser shall take all commercially reasonable actions to permit each Transferred Employee who

participates in Seller's profit-sharing plan and 401(k) plan to elect to make direct rollovers of their account balances (except for any outstanding loan balances) into Purchaser's 401(k) plan as of the Closing Date (or as soon as practicable thereafter when Purchaser's 401(k) plan is capable of accepting such rollovers), subject to compliance with applicable Law and subject to the reasonable requirements of Purchaser's 401(k) plan. Each Transferred Employee shall be eligible to participate in Purchaser's 401(k) plan as of the first day of the first full month after the Closing Date to the extent that such Transferred Employee has enough service credit as an employee of Seller to meet the service requirement under Purchaser's 401(k) plan.

(f) All workers' compensation obligations relating to, arising out of or resulting from any claim by any Business Employee that results from an injury that occurred prior to the Closing Date shall be retained by Seller. All workers' compensation obligations relating to, arising out of or resulting from any claim by a Transferred Employee that results from an injury that occurs after the Closing Date shall be the exclusive responsibility of Purchaser. Seller further agrees that (i) any Business Employee, including any Transferred Employee, who has received an offer of employment from Purchaser but has not yet commenced employment with Purchaser and who as of the Closing Date is receiving or is entitled to receive short-term or long-term disability benefits under Seller's short-term or long-term disability benefit plans shall receive or continue to be paid such benefits in accordance with the terms of the disability plans of Seller and (ii) Purchaser shall have no obligation to provide any disability or other benefits or compensation to any such Person unless and until they become a Transferred Employee.

(g) Purchaser shall have no responsibility at any time arising under or in connection with COBRA with respect to any Employee Plan sponsored by Seller or any ERISA Affiliate.

(h) The parties expressly acknowledge and agree that nothing contained in this Section 6.7 or any other provision of this Agreement, shall (i) be construed to establish, amend, or modify any benefit or compensation plan, program, agreement, Contract, policy or arrangement of Seller or Purchaser, (ii) limit the ability of Purchaser or any of its Affiliates to amend, modify or terminate any benefit or compensation plan, program, agreement, Contract, policy or arrangement at any time assumed, established, sponsored or maintained by any of them, (iii) create any third-party beneficiary rights or obligations in any Person (including any Business Employee, Transferred Employee, or labor union) other than the parties to this Agreement or create a Contract between Purchaser, Seller, or any of their respective Affiliates on the one hand and any employee of Seller on the other hand, and no employee of Seller may rely on this Agreement as the basis for any breach of contract claim against Purchaser or Seller, (iv) be deemed or construed to require Purchaser or any of its Affiliates to continue to employ any particular employee of Seller for any period after the Closing Date, or (v) be deemed or construed to limit Purchaser's or any of its Affiliates' right to terminate the employment of any Transferred Employee during any period on or after the Closing Date or confer on any Person any right to employment or continued employment or to a particular term or condition of employment with Purchaser or any of its Affiliates.

6.8 Retention of and Access to Records. From and after the Closing, for a period of four (4) years Purchaser shall preserve all books and records transferred by Seller to Purchaser pursuant to this Agreement. Upon the expiration of such four (4) year period, Purchaser shall provide Seller a reasonable opportunity to obtain copies, at Seller's expense, of any of such books and records. As

soon as practicable following the Closing, Purchaser shall deliver to Seller such financial information relating to the Stations in sufficient detail to enable Seller to prepare its financial statements and all Tax Returns of Seller relating to periods ending on or prior to the Closing Date. In addition to the foregoing, from and after the Closing, Purchaser shall afford to Seller, and its counsel, accountants and other authorized agents and representatives, during normal business hours, reasonable access to the employees, books, records and other data relating to the Assets, the Assumed Liabilities and the Transferred Employees in its possession with respect to periods prior to the Closing, and the right to make copies and extracts therefrom, to the extent that such access may be reasonably required (a) to facilitate the investigation, litigation and final disposition of any claims which may have been or may be made against any such party or Person or its Affiliates, (b) for the preparation of Tax Returns and audits, and (c) for any other reasonable business purpose. In order to facilitate the resolution of any claims made by or against or incurred by Purchaser after the Closing, or for any other reasonable purpose, for a period of four (4) years following the Closing, Seller shall: (i) retain the books and records (including personnel files) of Seller which relate to the Station and its operations for periods prior to the Closing; and (ii) upon reasonable notice, afford Purchaser and its representatives reasonable access (including the right to make, at Purchaser's expense, photocopies), during normal business hours, to such books and records. Neither Purchaser nor Seller shall be obligated to provide the other party with access to any books or records (including personnel files) pursuant to this Section 6.8 where such access would violate any Law.

6.9 Control Prior to Closing. The parties acknowledge and agree that, for the purposes of the Communications Act and any other applicable Law, this Agreement and, without limitation, the covenants in this Article VI, are not intended to, and shall not be construed to, transfer control of the Station or to give Purchaser any right to, directly or indirectly, control, supervise or direct, or attempt to control, supervise or direct, the programming, operations or any other matter relating to the Station prior to the Closing Date, and Seller, subject to the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement, shall have complete control and supervision of the programming, personnel, finances, operations, policies and all other matters relating to the Station until the Closing.

6.10 Risk of Loss.

(a) If, prior to the Closing, any of the Assets shall be damaged or destroyed by fire or other casualty, Seller shall take all reasonable steps to repair, replace and restore the Assets to reasonable operating condition as soon as possible after any loss or damage, it being understood and agreed that all insurance proceeds with respect thereto ("Proceeds") will be applied to or reserved for such replacement, restoration or repair, but that Seller will have no obligation to repair, replace or restore in excess of the Proceeds (plus any applicable deductible payment), and that Purchaser's sole remedies if Seller elects not to fully repair, replace or restore will be (i) to terminate this Agreement, or (ii) to close in accordance with Section 6.10(c).

(b) In the event that, prior to Closing, any damage or loss causes material impairment to and prevents broadcast transmissions of the Station in the normal and usual manner and substantially in accordance with the FCC Licenses (not to include ordinary course scheduled maintenance), Seller will give prompt notice thereof to Purchaser and Purchaser, in addition to its other rights and remedies, will have the right to postpone the Closing Date until five (5) Business Days after transmission in accordance with the FCC Licenses has been resumed, subject to the Upset Date. During the period of postponement, Seller shall use commercially reasonable efforts to resume

broadcast transmissions. In the event transmission in accordance with the FCC Licenses cannot be resumed within the effective period of the FCC's consent to assignment of the FCC Licenses to Purchaser, the parties will join in an application or applications requesting the FCC to extend the effective period of its consent for one or more periods not to exceed one hundred twenty (120) days in the aggregate, subject to the Upset Date. If transmission in accordance with the FCC Licenses has not been resumed so that the Closing Date does not occur by the Upset Date, Purchaser will have the right, by giving written notice to Seller within five (5) Business Days after the expiration of such one hundred twenty (120)-day period, or any such extension thereof, to terminate this Agreement forthwith with respect to such Station without any further obligation.

(c) If any loss of or damage to the Assets occurs prior to the Closing Date, and repair, replacement or restoration of such Assets to not less than reasonable operating condition has not been made on or before the Closing Date (as the Closing Date may be extended as provided in Section 6.10(b)), or the cost thereof is greater than the Proceeds (plus any applicable deductible), then Purchaser will be entitled, but not obligated, to accept the Assets in their then-current conditions and will receive an abatement or reduction in the Purchase Price in an amount equal to the difference between the amount necessary to fully repair or replace the damaged Assets to a reasonable operating condition and the amount of any unused Proceeds and payment of any related deductible amount. If Purchaser elects to accept damaged Assets at a reduced Purchase Price, the parties agree to cooperate in determining the amount of the reduction to the Purchase Price in accordance with the provisions hereof; provided, further, that in such case, Purchaser shall be deemed to have waived any breach of the representations, warranties or covenants set forth in this Agreement with respect to such loss or damage and Purchaser and Indemnified Party claiming through Purchaser will have no rights to indemnification under Article VIII of this Agreement with respect thereto.

6.11 Update. Seller shall deliver to Purchaser, at least three (3) days before the Closing Date, a revised form of Schedule 4.7(a) as is necessary to reflect Material Contracts that have expired, been terminated, been amended, or been entered into in accordance with the terms of this Agreement since the date hereof, together with copies of any such amended or new Material Contracts.

6.12 Title Insurance; Survey. Purchaser may obtain, at its sole option and expense, and Seller shall grant Purchaser access to obtain (a) commitments for owner's and lender's title insurance policies (ALTA Form 2006) on the Owned Real Property and commitments for lessee's and lender's title insurance policies for all Leased Real Property (collectively the "Title Commitments"), and (b) an ALTA survey on each parcel of Real Property (the "Surveys"); provided, however, that Seller shall provide Purchaser with any existing Title Commitments, title policies and Surveys related to any of the Real Property that are in its possession or control. The Title Commitments will evidence a commitment to issue an ALTA title insurance policy insuring good, marketable and indefeasible fee simple (or leasehold, if applicable) title to each parcel of the Real Property contemplated above for such amount as Purchaser reasonably directs, and will contain no exceptions except for Assumed Liabilities or Permitted Encumbrances. Seller shall reasonably cooperate with Purchaser in obtaining such Title Commitments and Surveys (including by providing customary representations and affidavits to Purchaser's title company); provided, however, that Seller shall not be required to incur any cost, expense or other Liability in connection therewith inconsistent with Seller's obligations hereunder. If the Title Commitments or Surveys reveal any Encumbrance on the title, other than Assumed Liabilities or Permitted Encumbrances, Purchaser may notify Seller in writing of such objectionable matter as soon as Purchaser determines that such matter is not an Assumed Liability or

Permitted Encumbrance or otherwise a customary title exception, and Seller shall use commercially reasonable efforts to remove such objectionable matter as required pursuant to the terms of this Agreement as promptly as practicable. Seller shall be obligated to remove any lien against the Real Property capable of removal by the payment of money or bonding that is not an Assumed Liability or a Permitted Encumbrance.

6.13 Environmental Assessments; Phase I and Phase II Investigations.

(a) Purchaser, at its sole cost and expense, shall have the right to (1) within sixty (60) days from the date of this Agreement, engage an environmental consulting firm to conduct a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment and Compliance Review, as such terms are commonly understood (the “Phase I Environmental Site Assessment”), with respect to the Real Property. Within thirty (30) days after the receipt of the Phase I Environmental Site Assessment, Purchaser, with Seller’s approval (which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, delayed, denied or conditioned), shall engage an environmental consulting firm to conduct a Phase II Environmental Site Assessment or any other test, investigation or review recommended by the environmental consultant that prepared the Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (the “Phase II Environmental Site Assessment”); provided, that such environmental assessment, test, investigation or review shall be conducted only (i) during regular business hours, (ii) with no less than five (5) Business Days prior written notice to Seller, (iii) in a manner which will not materially interfere with the operation of the Station or the use of access to or egress from such Real Property and (iv) with respect to Leased Real Property, shall only be done if the owner of such property consents. Seller shall use commercially reasonable efforts to undertake to obtain such consents as promptly as practicable. If Seller does not approve the conduct of the Phase II Environmental Site Assessment or any other test, investigation or review recommended in the Phase I Environmental Site Assessment, Purchaser may terminate this Agreement, upon written notice to Seller; provided, that, in such case, Seller shall not be entitled to the Escrow Deposit or interest and earnings thereon.

(b) Prior to Closing, or with Purchaser’s consent, after Closing, Seller shall remediate any material violation of applicable Environmental Laws that is identified by the environmental consultant that prepared such Phase I Environmental Site Assessment at its sole cost and expense in respect of the Owned Real Property or Seller’s use of the Leased Real Property. Any such remediation shall only be required to meet the most cost-effective standard and executed in a reasonable manner, in each case to become compliant with any applicable Environmental Laws. Upon Closing, any condition identified in the Phase I Environmental Site Assessment shall be deemed an exception to Seller’s representations and warranties in Section 4.17. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, if the reasonably estimated cost to remedy any environmental condition in the aggregate exceeds \$100,000.00, then each party shall have the right to terminate this Agreement upon written notice to the other party; provided, that, in such case, Seller shall not be entitled to the Escrow Deposit.

6.14 Supplement to Disclosure Schedules. From time to time prior to the Closing, Seller shall have the right to (x) at any time before the filing deadline under Section 6.4(b), supplement or amend any Schedule hereto with respect to any matter that occurred in the Ordinary Course of Business before the date of this Agreement that was unintentionally omitted from the original Schedules and is reflected in the Station’s statement of operations and (y) supplement or amend any Schedule hereto with respect to any matter hereafter arising or of which they become aware after the

date hereof (each supplement referenced in (x) and (y), a “Schedule Supplement”) and at least ten (10) days prior to Closing, Seller shall deliver a Schedule Supplement reflecting any executory period contracts entered into in accordance with Section 6.1. Any disclosure in any such Schedule Supplement shall not be deemed to have cured any inaccuracy in or breach of any representation or warranty contained in this Agreement, including for purposes of the indemnification or termination rights contained in this Agreement or of determining whether or not the conditions set forth in Section 7.1 have been satisfied; *provided, however*, that if Purchaser and Seller agree that Purchaser has the right to terminate this Agreement pursuant to Section 9.1 following its receipt of such Schedule Supplement, then Purchaser and Seller shall use commercially reasonable efforts to negotiate in good faith regarding an appropriate reduction to the Purchase Price related thereto (“Price Adjustment”). In the event that Purchaser and Seller mutually agree to a Price Adjustment and consummate the Closing, Purchaser shall have irrevocably waived its right to indemnification under Section 8.2 solely with respect to such matter to the extent mutually agreed with Seller as part of the Price Adjustment.

6.15 Termination of Rights to the Names and Marks. As soon as practicable after the Closing Date (and in any event within ninety (90) days thereafter), Purchaser shall and shall cause each of its Affiliates to (a) cease and discontinue all uses of and (b) delete or remove the names and marks set forth on Schedule 6.15 from all products, signage, vehicles, properties, technical information and promotional materials. Purchaser, for itself and its Affiliates, agrees that the rights of the Station to the names and marks set forth on Schedule 6.15 pursuant to the terms of any agreements between Seller and its Affiliates, on the one hand, and the Station, on the other, shall terminate on the Closing Date.

6.16 Non-Competition; Non-Solicitation.

(a) For a period of three (3) years commencing on the Closing Date (the “Restricted Period”), Seller shall not, and shall not permit any of its Affiliates to, directly or indirectly, (i) engage in or assist others in engaging in the Restricted Business in the Territory; (ii) have an interest in any Person that engages directly or indirectly in the Restricted Business in the Territory in any capacity, including as a partner, shareholder, member, employee, principal, agent, trustee or consultant; or (iii) cause, induce or encourage any material actual or prospective client, customer, supplier or licensor of the Station (including any existing or former client or customer of Seller and any Person that becomes a client or customer of the Station after the Closing), or any other Person who has a material business relationship with the Station, to terminate or modify any such actual or prospective relationship. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Seller may own, directly or indirectly, solely as an investment, securities of any Person traded on any national securities exchange if Seller is not a controlling Person of, or a member of a group which controls, such Person and does not, directly or indirectly, own two percent (2%) or more of any class of securities of such Person.

(b) During the Restricted Period, Seller shall not, and shall not permit any of its Affiliates to, directly or indirectly, hire or solicit any Person who is offered employment by Purchaser pursuant to Section 6.7 or is or was employed in the Station during the Restricted Period, or encourage any such employee to leave such employment or hire any such employee who has left such employment, except pursuant to a general solicitation which is not directed specifically to any such employees; *provided*, that nothing in this Section 6.15 shall prevent Seller or any of its Affiliates from hiring (i) any employee whose employment has been terminated by Purchaser or (ii) after twelve (12)



months from the date of termination of employment, any employee whose employment has been terminated by the employee.

(c) Seller acknowledges that a breach or threatened breach of this Section 6.15 would give rise to irreparable harm to Purchaser, for which monetary damages would not be an adequate remedy, and hereby agrees that in the event of a breach or a threatened breach by Seller of any such obligations, Purchaser shall, in addition to any and all other rights and remedies that may be available to it in respect of such breach, be entitled to equitable relief, including a temporary restraining order, an injunction, specific performance and any other relief that may be available from a court of competent jurisdiction (without any requirement to post bond).

(d) Seller acknowledges that the restrictions contained in this Section 6.15 are reasonable and necessary to protect the legitimate interests of Purchaser and constitute a material inducement to Purchaser to enter into this Agreement and consummate the Transactions contemplated by this Agreement. In the event that any covenant contained in this Section 6.15 should ever be adjudicated to exceed the time, geographic, product or service or other limitations permitted by applicable Law in any jurisdiction, then any court is expressly empowered to reform such covenant, and such covenant shall be deemed reformed, in such jurisdiction to the maximum time, geographic, product or service or other limitations permitted by applicable Law. The covenants contained in this Section 6.15 and each provision hereof are severable and distinct covenants and provisions. The invalidity or unenforceability of any such covenant or provision as written shall not invalidate or render unenforceable the remaining covenants or provisions hereof, and any such invalidity or unenforceability in any jurisdiction shall not invalidate or render unenforceable such covenant or provision in any other jurisdiction.

#### 6.17 No Solicitation of Other Bids.

(a) Seller shall not, and shall not authorize or permit any of its Affiliates or any of its or their representatives to, directly or indirectly, (i) encourage, solicit, initiate, facilitate or continue inquiries regarding an Acquisition Proposal; (ii) enter into discussions or negotiations with, or provide any information to, any Person concerning a possible Acquisition Proposal; or (iii) enter into any agreements or other instruments (whether or not binding) regarding an Acquisition Proposal. Seller shall immediately cease and cause to be terminated, and shall cause its Affiliates and all of its and their representatives to immediately cease and cause to be terminated, all existing discussions or negotiations with any Persons conducted heretofore with respect to, or that could lead to, an Acquisition Proposal. For purposes hereof, "Acquisition Proposal" means any inquiry, proposal or offer from any Person (other than Purchaser or any of its Affiliates) relating to the direct or indirect disposition, whether by sale, merger or otherwise, of all or any portion of the Station or the Assets.

(b) In addition to the other obligations under this Section 6.16, Seller shall promptly (and in any event within three (3) Business Days after receipt thereof by Seller or its representatives) advise Purchaser orally and in writing of any Acquisition Proposal, any request for information with respect to any Acquisition Proposal, or any inquiry with respect to or which could reasonably be expected to result in an Acquisition Proposal, the material terms and conditions of such request, Acquisition Proposal or inquiry, and the identity of the Person making the same.

(c) Seller agrees that the rights and remedies for noncompliance with this Section 6.16 shall include having such provision specifically enforced by any court having equity jurisdiction, it being acknowledged and agreed that any such breach or threatened breach shall cause irreparable injury to Purchaser and that money damages would not provide an adequate remedy to Purchaser.

6.18 Closing Conditions. From the date hereof until the Closing, each party hereto shall use reasonable best efforts to take such actions as are necessary to expeditiously satisfy the closing conditions set forth in Article VII hereof.

6.19 Further Assurances. Following the Closing, each of the parties hereto shall, and shall cause their respective Affiliates to, execute and deliver such additional documents, instruments, conveyances and assurances and take such further actions as may be reasonably required to carry out the provisions hereof and give effect to the Transactions contemplated by this Agreement and the other Operative Agreements.

6.20 Cooperation on Tax Matters. Purchaser and Seller shall cooperate fully, as and to the extent reasonably requested by the other party, in connection with the filing of Tax Returns and the filing and execution of Tax elections, if required, and any audit, litigation or other proceeding with respect to Taxes. Such cooperation shall include the retention and (upon another party's request and at such party's expense) the provision of records and information reasonably relevant to any such audit, litigation, or other proceeding and making employees available on a mutually convenient basis to provide additional information and explanation of any material provided hereunder. Purchaser and Seller further agree, upon the written request of the other party, to use their commercially reasonable efforts to obtain any certificate or other document from any Governmental Authority or any other Person as may be necessary to mitigate, reduce or eliminate any Transfer Tax that could be imposed (including with respect to the transactions contemplated hereby).

6.21 Apportionment of Straddle Period Taxes. All Taxes for a Straddle Period shall be apportioned between Seller, on the one hand, and Purchaser, on the other hand, as follows: (a) in the case of any Tax based upon or related to income, sales, payroll, or receipts, the apportionment shall be based on a deemed closing of the books as of the end of the Closing Date, and (b) in the case of any other Taxes (such as property Taxes and other ad valorem Taxes), the apportionment shall be based on the number of days of such Tax period included in the Tax period ending on the day before the Closing Date and the number of days of such Tax period on and after the Closing Date. Any Taxes for a Straddle Period shall be timely paid, and all applicable filings, reports and returns shall be filed, as provided by applicable Law. The paying party shall be entitled to reimbursement from the non-paying party for the non-paying party's proportionate amount of such Taxes. Upon payment of any such Taxes, the paying party shall present a statement to the non-paying party setting forth the amount of reimbursement to which the paying party is entitled based on the allocation of such Taxes under this Section 6.21, together with such supporting evidence as is reasonably necessary to calculate the amount to be reimbursed. The non-paying party shall make such reimbursement promptly but in no event later than ten (10) days after the presentation of such statement.

6.22 Name Change. Within twenty (20) Business Days after the Closing Date, Seller will and will cause each of its Affiliates to (a) amend its applicable Organizational Documents, and take all other actions necessary, to change its name and all names under which it does business to a name

that does not include any Restricted Word and (b) give to Purchaser a true, correct and complete copy of the filings with the applicable Governmental Authorities showing that such name changes occurred. “Restricted Word” means any of the following: (i) the word “KQDS,” the word “KVRR” or any other call letters of the Station; or (ii) any word that could reasonably be expected to imply any affiliation with Purchaser or any Affiliate of Purchaser. Within fifteen (15) Business Days after the Closing Date and at all times thereafter, Seller will and will cause each of its Affiliates to not use a name that includes any Restricted Word, including on letterhead or other correspondence, employee business cards, accounts or signage.

6.23 Wrong Pockets. Seller shall, or shall cause its Affiliates to, promptly, but in any event within ten (10) Business Days of receipt by Seller, pay or deliver to Purchaser any monies or checks that have been sent to Seller or any of its Affiliates after the Closing to the extent that they are in respect of the Station or the Assets. Purchaser shall, or shall cause its Affiliates to, promptly, but in any event within ten (10) Business Days of receipt by Purchaser or its Affiliates, pay or deliver to Seller any monies or checks that have been sent to Purchaser or any of its Affiliates after the Closing to the extent that they are not in respect of the Station or the Assets and to the extent they are in respect of the other businesses of Seller or its Affiliates.

## **ARTICLE VII**

### **CLOSING CONDITIONS**

7.1 Conditions to Obligations of Purchaser. The obligations of Purchaser to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement are subject to the satisfaction or fulfillment at or prior to the Closing of the following conditions, any of which may be waived in whole or in part by Purchaser in writing:

(a) Other than the Core Representations of Seller, all representations and warranties of Seller contained in this Agreement (disregarding any qualifications regarding materiality) shall be true and correct in all material respects at and as of the Closing with the same effect as though such representations and warranties were made at and as of the Closing (other than any representation or warranty that is expressly made as of a specified date, which shall be true and correct as of such date only). The Core Representations of Seller contained in this Agreement (disregarding any qualifications regarding materiality) shall be true and correct in all respects at and as of the Closing with the same effect as though such representations and warranties were made at and as of the Closing (other than any representation or warranty that is expressly made as of a specified date, which shall be true and correct as of such date only).

(b) Seller shall have performed and complied in all material respects with all the covenants and agreements required by this Agreement to be performed or complied with by it at or prior to the Closing.

(c) There shall be in effect no Law or injunction issued by a court of competent jurisdiction making illegal or otherwise prohibiting or restraining the consummation of the Transactions.

(d) From the date of this Agreement, there shall not have occurred any Material Adverse Effect.

(e) The FCC Consent shall have become a Final Order and shall be in full force and effect.

(f) Seller shall have delivered to Purchaser all of the certificates, instruments and other documents required to be delivered by it at or prior to the Closing pursuant to Section 3.2 hereof.

(g) The Required Consents shall have been obtained and delivered to Purchaser. For purposes hereof, "Required Consent" shall mean the consents, authorizations, approvals, waivers, or notices relating to the Business Contracts or Real Property Leases set forth on Schedule 7.1(g).

(h) All Encumbrances other than Permitted Encumbrances relating to the Assets shall have been released in full, and Seller shall have delivered to Purchaser written evidence, in form reasonably satisfactory to Purchaser in its sole discretion, of the release of such Encumbrances.

**7.2 Conditions to Obligations of Seller.** The obligations of Seller to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement are subject to the satisfaction or fulfillment at or prior to the Closing of the following conditions, any of which may be waived in whole or in part by Seller in writing:

(a) Other than the Core Representations of Purchaser, all representations and warranties of Purchaser contained in this Agreement (disregarding any qualifications regarding materiality) shall be true and correct in all material respects at and as of the Closing with the same effect as though such representations and warranties were made at and as of the Closing (other than any representation or warranty that is expressly made as of a specified date, which shall be true and correct as of such date only). The Core Representations of Purchaser contained in this Agreement (disregarding any qualifications regarding materiality) shall be true and correct in all respects at and as of the Closing with the same effect as though such representations and warranties were made at and as of the Closing (other than any representation or warranty that is expressly made as of a specified date, which shall be true and correct as of such date only).

(b) Purchaser shall have performed and complied in all material respects with the covenants and agreements required by this Agreement to be performed or complied with by it at or prior to the Closing.

(c) There shall be in effect no Law or injunction issued by a court of competent jurisdiction making illegal or otherwise prohibiting or restraining the consummation of the Transactions.

(d) The FCC Consent shall have been granted and shall be in full force and effect.

(e) Purchaser shall have delivered to Seller the Purchase Price and all of the certificates, instruments and other documents required to be delivered by Purchaser at or prior to the Closing pursuant to Section 3.3 hereof.

## ARTICLE VIII INDEMNIFICATION

8.1 Survival. The representations, warranties, covenants and agreements (other than covenants and agreements to be performed in whole or in part after the Closing, each of which shall survive the Closing in accordance with their terms made by any party and contained in or made pursuant to this Agreement shall survive (and not be affected in any respect by) the Closing, any investigation conducted by any party hereto and any information which any party may receive, until one (1) year following the Closing Date, whereupon all such representations, warranties, covenants and agreements shall expire and terminate and shall be of no further force or effect; provided, however, that the representations and warranties in Section 4.1 (Organization), Section 4.2 (Seller's Authority), Section 4.5 (Title to Assets), Section 4.19 (Taxes), Section 4.21 (Brokers), Section 5.2 (Purchaser's Authority) and Section 5.6 (Brokers) (collectively, such representations and warranties in Section 4.1 (Organization), Section 4.2 (Seller's Authority), Section 4.5 (Title to Assets), Section 4.19 (Taxes), Section 4.21 (Brokers), Section 5.2 (Purchaser's Authority) and Section 5.6 (Brokers) (collectively, the "Core Representations") shall survive the Closing until ninety (90) days after the expiration of the applicable statute of limitations with respect to the particular matter that is the subject thereof. In the event that written notice is properly given under this Article VIII with respect to any alleged breach of a representation and warranty to which such party is entitled to be indemnified hereunder prior to the applicable expiration date, such representation and warranty shall continue to survive (with respect to the subject matter of such written notice only) until the applicable claim is finally resolved.

8.2 Indemnification by Purchaser. After the Closing, Purchaser will indemnify Seller, its Affiliates and its and their respective officers, directors, shareholders, employees and representatives (each, a "Seller Indemnified Party") against and hold each such Seller Indemnified Party harmless from and reimburse each such Seller Indemnified Party for all losses, damages, Liabilities and expenses, including reasonable attorneys' fees (collectively, "Damages") which such Seller Indemnified Party may at any time sustain or incur as a result of or arising out of:

- (a) the breach of any representation or warranty of Purchaser herein or in any Operative Agreement;
- (b) the breach of any covenant or agreement of Purchaser contained herein or in any Operative Agreement;
- (c) the Assumed Liabilities; and
- (d) conduct of the Station or ownership, use, condition, possession or operation of any of the Assets after Closing, other than any such Damages for which Seller is obligated to provide indemnification under Section 8.3 (or for which Seller would have been obligated to provide indemnification under Section 8.3 but for any limitation contained elsewhere in this Article VIII).

8.3 Indemnification by Seller. After the Closing, Seller will indemnify Purchaser, its Affiliates and its and their respective officers, directors, shareholders, employees and representatives (each, a "Purchaser Indemnified Party") against and hold each such Purchaser Indemnified Party

harmless from and reimburse each such Purchaser Indemnified Party for all Damages which such Purchaser Indemnified Party may at any time sustain or incur as a result of or arising out of:

- (a) the breach of any representation or warranty of Seller herein or in any Operative Agreement;
- (b) the breach of any covenant or agreement of Seller contained herein or in any Operative Agreement;
- (c) the Excluded Assets and the Excluded Liabilities;
- (d) conduct of the Station or ownership, use, condition, possession or operation of any of the Assets before Closing (but excluding any Assumed Liability); and
- (e) any Third Party Claim based upon, resulting from or arising out of the business, operations, properties, assets or obligations of Seller or any of its Affiliates (other than the Assumed Liabilities) conducted, existing or arising on or prior to the Closing Date.

#### 8.4 Notification of Claims.

(a) A party entitled to be indemnified pursuant to Section 8.2 or 8.3 (the “Indemnified Party”) shall promptly notify the party or parties liable for such indemnification (the “Indemnifying Party”) in writing of any claim or demand which the Indemnified Party has determined has given or could give rise to a right of indemnification under this Agreement (a “Notice of Claim”); provided, however, that a delay or failure to provide such notice shall not relieve any Indemnifying Party of its obligations, except to the extent that it has been prejudiced by such delay or failure. Any Notice of Claim shall (i) state with reasonable specificity the basis on which indemnification is being asserted, (ii) set forth the Indemnified Party’s good faith estimate of the amount of Damages for which indemnification is being asserted, and (iii) in the case of third party claims (a “Third Party Claim”), shall be accompanied by copies of all relevant pleadings, demands and other papers served on the Indemnified Party.

(b) If the Indemnified Party notifies the Indemnifying Party of any Third Party Claim, the Indemnifying Party shall have the right (i) to employ counsel of its choice that is reasonably acceptable to the Indemnified Party to defend any such claim or demand asserted against the Indemnified Party, and (ii) to control and conduct any proceedings or negotiations in connection therewith and necessary or appropriate to defend, in each case, in good faith, the Indemnified Party; provided that the parties believe in good faith (based on facts known at the time) that it is reasonably likely that all or a majority of the Damages sought in the Third Party Claim are within the scope of and subject to indemnification hereunder. The Indemnifying Party shall notify the Indemnified Party in writing, as promptly as possible after its receipt of the Notice of Claim (but in any case within thirty (30) days of receipt by the Indemnifying Party of a Notice of Claim (the “Indemnity Notice Period”)) of its election to defend any such Third Party Claim. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Indemnifying Party may not assume or control the defense if the named parties to the action giving rise to the Notice of Claim (including any impleaded parties) include both the Indemnifying Party and the Indemnified Party and representation of both parties by the same counsel would be inappropriate (based on a written opinion of outside counsel) due to actual or potential differing interests between them, in which case the Indemnified Party shall have the right to defend the action

and to employ counsel reasonably approved by the Indemnifying Party, and, to the extent the matter is determined to be subject to indemnification hereunder, the Indemnifying Party shall reimburse the Indemnified Party for all reasonable costs associated with such defense. In the event that the Indemnifying Party does assume the defense as provided above, the Indemnified Party shall have the right to participate in such defense (including without limitation, with counsel of its choice), at its own expense, and the Indemnifying Party shall reasonably cooperate with the Indemnified Party in connection with such participation. If the Indemnifying Party does not deliver to the Indemnified Party written notice within the Indemnity Notice Period that the Indemnifying Party will assume the defense of any such claim or litigation resulting therefrom, the Indemnified Party may defend against any such claim or litigation in such manner as it may deem appropriate, at the cost of the Indemnifying Party. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Indemnifying Party shall not be entitled to assume the defense of any such Third Party Claim if the Third Party Claim (A) seeks an order, injunction or other equitable relief or relief other than monetary damages against the Indemnified Party that the Indemnified Party reasonably determines, after conferring with its outside counsel, cannot be separated from any related claim for monetary damages, or (B) seeks to impose criminal fines, penalties or sanctions.

(c) In the event the Indemnifying Party (i) does not elect to assume control or otherwise participate in the investigation and/or the defense of, or opposition to, any Third Party Claim or (ii) is not entitled to assume control of the investigation or the defense of, or opposition to, any such Third Party Claim, the Indemnifying Party shall be bound by the results obtained by the Indemnified Party with respect to such claim; provided, however, the Indemnified Party shall not have the right to consent or otherwise agree to any monetary or non-monetary settlement or relief, including injunctive relief or other equitable remedies, without the prior written consent of the Indemnifying Party, which consent will not be unreasonably withheld, delayed or conditioned. In the event that the Indemnifying Party assumes control of the investigation of, defense of, or opposition to, any Third Party Claim, the Indemnifying Party shall have the right in good faith to settle or compromise any such claim, provided that (A) at least five (5) Business Days prior notice of such settlement or compromise is given to the Indemnified Party and (B) such settlement or compromise must not require the Indemnified Party to take or refrain from taking any action (provided that Indemnified Party shall not unreasonably withhold its consent to the terms of a mutual release with respect to such claim with the third party making such claim), contain any admission by or on behalf of the Indemnified Party, or otherwise fail to hold the claimant fully harmless with respect to such claim. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in connection with any such settlement or compromise negotiated by the Indemnifying Party, no Indemnified Party shall be required by an Indemnifying Party to (1) enter into any settlement that does not include as an unconditional term thereof the delivery by the Indemnified Party or plaintiff to the Indemnified Party of a release from all liability in respect of such claim or litigation, or (2) enter into any settlement that attributes by its terms any non-indemnified liability to the Indemnified Party.

(d) If a claim, whether a direct claim or a Third Party Claim, requires immediate action, the parties hereto will work in good faith to reach a decision with respect thereto as expeditiously as possible.

## 8.5 Limitations.

(a) Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, no Indemnifying Party shall have any obligation to indemnify any Indemnified Parties pursuant to Sections 8.2(a) or 8.3(a), as the case may be, and no Indemnified Party shall make a claim pursuant to Sections 8.2(a) or 8.3(a), as the case may be, unless the aggregate amount of Damages sustained or incurred with respect to all claims pursuant to Section 8.2(a) or Section 8.3(a), as the case may be, exceeds \$172,500 (the “Threshold”); provided, that if the aggregate amount of such Damages exceeds the Threshold, the Indemnifying Party shall be liable for all Damages from the first dollar. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, the aggregate maximum indemnifiable liability of any Indemnifying Party pursuant to Sections 8.2(a) or 8.3(a), as the case may be, shall be limited to \$2,300,000 (the “Cap”); provided, however, that the Cap shall not apply to breaches of Core Representations or fraud; provided, further, that the cumulative indemnification obligation of Seller under Section 8.3(a) shall in no event exceed the Purchase Price. For the avoidance of doubt, the maximum amounts payable under any clause of this Section 8.5(a) shall be reduced by any amount previously paid under Section 8.2(a) of this Agreement, or under Section 8.3(a) of this Agreement, in the aggregate, as applicable.

(b) Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, payments by the Indemnifying Party pursuant to Section 8.2 or 8.3 shall be limited to the amount of Damages, if any, that remain after deducting therefrom (i) any insurance proceeds actually recovered by the Indemnified Parties from any third party with respect thereto, reduced by any costs directly associated with recovery and any increase in any insurance related premiums as a result of any insurance claim related to such Damages, and (ii) any provision or reserve specifically provided for the item in question in the Prorations.

(c) Absent fraud, no claim for indemnification or cause of action arising under or resulting from this Agreement, any other Operative Agreement or any of the Transactions may be asserted by any Indemnified Party against Seller or Purchaser, respectively, for punitive damages or any damages that are not reasonably foreseeable, unless and only to the extent such damages are actually payable by the Indemnified Party to a third party.

(d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, Purchaser and Seller acknowledge that the obligation of Seller and Purchaser, as the case may be, to provide indemnification for Damages arising out of Section 8.2 or 8.3 extends only to the Purchaser Indemnified Parties or the Seller Indemnified Parties, as the case may be, and that neither Seller nor Purchaser shall be obligated to provide such indemnification to any other Persons.

(e) The Indemnifying Party and the Indemnified Party shall use their respective commercially reasonable efforts with respect to resolving any Liability or minimizing Damages with respect to which an Indemnifying Party is obligated to indemnify an Indemnified Party to this Article VIII; provided, however, that no Person is required to pursue or attempt to recover any insurance proceeds.

(f) For purposes of this Article VIII, in determining (i) whether a breach of a representation or warranty in this Agreement or in any Operative Agreement has occurred and (ii) the amount of Damages arising out of, relating to or resulting from, directly or indirectly, a breach of a representation or warranty in this Agreement or in any Operative Agreement (or any proceeding arising out of, relating to or resulting from such a breach), any materiality, Material Adverse Effect



or other similar qualification contained in or otherwise applicable to such representation or warranty will be ignored and each such representation and warranty will be read and interpreted without regard to any such qualification.

8.6 Treatment of Indemnity Benefits. All payments made by Seller or Purchaser, as the case may be, to or for the benefit of the other pursuant to any indemnification obligations under this Agreement shall be treated as adjustments to the Purchase Price for Tax purposes and such agreed treatment shall govern for purposes of this Agreement.

8.7 Escrow Recovery. Any Damages payable to a Purchaser Indemnified Party pursuant to this Article VIII shall be satisfied (a) first from the Indemnity Escrow, and (b) to the extent the amount of Damages exceeds the amounts available to the Purchaser Indemnified Party in the Indemnity Escrow, directly from Seller. Disbursements from the Indemnity Escrow will occur pursuant to the terms of this Agreement and the Escrow Agreement.

8.8 Exclusive Remedy. Absent fraud, the parties hereto hereby acknowledge and agree that the sole and exclusive remedy of Purchaser Indemnified Parties and the Seller Indemnified Parties, as the case may be, from and after the Closing with respect to Damages and any and all claims for any breach or liability under this Agreement (except as specifically provided in any other Operative Agreement) shall be solely in accordance with, and limited by, the indemnification provisions set forth in this Article VIII. Nothing in this Section 8.8 shall limit any Person's right to seek and obtain any equitable relief to which any Person shall be entitled or to seek any remedy on account of any party's fraud.

## **ARTICLE IX TERMINATION**

### **9.1 Termination.**

(a) This Agreement may be terminated prior to Closing by either Purchaser, on the one hand, or Seller, on the other hand, upon written notice to the other following the occurrence of any of the following:

(i) by Purchaser or Seller, if the other party is in material breach or default of this Agreement or does not perform in all material respects the obligations to be performed by it under this Agreement on or prior to the Closing Date and such breach or failure to perform (a) would give rise to the failure of a condition set forth in Section 7.1(a) or Section 7.1(b) (in the case of a breach or default by Seller) or Section 7.2(a) or Section 7.2(b) (in the case of a breach or default by Purchaser), if such breach or failure to perform had occurred at the time scheduled for Closing and (b) such breach has not been substantially cured as set forth in Section 9.1(d);

(ii) by Purchaser or Seller, if there shall be any Law that prohibits consummation of the Transactions or if a Governmental Authority of competent jurisdiction shall have issued a final, nonappealable Governmental Order enjoining or otherwise prohibiting consummation of the Transactions; or

(iii) by Purchaser or Seller, if the Closing, as the case may be, has not occurred on or prior to the date that is eighteen (18) months from the date of this Agreement (the “Upset Date”).

(b) This Agreement may be terminated prior to Closing by mutual written consent of Purchaser and Seller.

(c) If applicable, this Agreement may be terminated prior to Closing by Purchaser pursuant to Section 6.10.

(d) If either party asserts that the other is in material breach or default of this Agreement in a manner that would entitle such party the right to terminate under Section 9.1(a)(i), the non-defaulting party shall, prior to exercising its right to terminate under Section 9.1(a)(i), provide the defaulting party with written notice specifying in reasonable detail the nature of such breach or default. Except for a failure to pay the Purchase Price or otherwise perform any obligations to be performed at the time scheduled for Closing (to which the cure period described hereinafter shall not apply), the defaulting party shall have thirty (30) days from receipt of such notice to cure such default; provided, however, that if the breach or default is incapable of cure within such thirty (30)-day period, the cure period shall be extended as long as the defaulting party is diligently and in good faith attempting to effectuate a cure and there is a reasonable likelihood that a cure will be achieved. Nothing in this Section 9.1(d) shall be interpreted to extend the Upset Date.

(e) If this Agreement is terminated by Seller pursuant to Section 9.1(a)(i) of this Agreement due to Purchaser’s material default or breach of this Agreement, and Seller is not in material breach of this Agreement (a “Purchaser Termination Event”), then Seller shall be entitled to the Escrow Deposit and all interest and earnings thereon as liquidated damages. The parties understand and agree that the amount of the Escrow Deposit and all interest and earnings thereon represents Seller’s and Purchaser’s reasonable estimate of actual damages and does not constitute a penalty. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement to the contrary, in the event that this Agreement is terminated as a result of a Purchaser Termination Event, the payment of the Escrow Deposit and all interest and earnings thereon pursuant to this Section 9.1(e), shall be Seller’s sole and exclusive remedy for damages of any nature or kind that Seller may suffer under this Agreement, and Seller shall have no further remedy against Purchaser for any claim or Damages arising out of, relating to or in connection with this Agreement or the Transactions, except in the case of Purchaser’s fraud or willful misconduct.

(f) Upon termination: (i) if this Agreement is terminated for any reason other than a Purchaser Termination Event, the Escrow Deposit and any interest or earnings thereon shall be returned to Purchaser by the Escrow Agent; (ii) if neither Seller nor Purchaser are in material breach of any provision of this Agreement, neither shall have any further Liability to each other; and (iii) if Seller shall be in material breach of any provision of this Agreement, Purchaser shall have the rights and remedies provided in Section 9.3, or otherwise available at law or equity.

(g) Without regard to the foregoing, Purchaser understands that in order to obtain the FCC Consent and lawfully complete Closing, it must be qualified fully under the Communications Act and Law and obtain a grant of the Ownership Waiver without material restriction or condition (“Qualified”). Therefore, Seller shall be entitled to the Escrow Deposit and

all interest and earnings thereon (the “FCC Termination Fee”) as liquidated damages in the event that: (i) Purchaser is found by the FCC to be not Qualified fully for any reason, or (ii) the FCC does not issue the FCC Consent by the Upset Date, in whole or in part, because Purchaser may not be Qualified fully for any reason. In the event that after Closing the FCC Consent is reconsidered, modified, revoked, rescinded, or for any reason materially changed, in whole or in part, by the FCC because Purchaser was not Qualified fully for any reason, then Seller shall be entitled to retain the FCC Termination Fee, or be credited or paid an amount equal to the FCC Termination Fee, as liquidated damages, provided in addition, that Seller and Purchaser shall be mutually obligated to take all steps necessary to return the parties to their respective positions immediately prior to the Closing Date as quickly as practicable, including, without limitation, repayment of the Purchase Price *minus* the FCC Termination Fee by Seller to Purchaser. For avoidance of doubt, this Section 9.1(g) serves to shift all risk to Purchaser that the parties do not effectuate the Closing under this Agreement, or have to unwind the Closing, based upon whether Purchaser is Qualified fully, in whole or part. The parties understand and agree that the amount of the FCC Termination Fee represents Seller’s and Purchaser’s reasonable estimate of actual damages and does not constitute a penalty. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement to the contrary, in the event that this Agreement is terminated as a result of Purchaser’s failure to be Qualified, the payment of the FCC Termination Fee pursuant to this Section 9.1(g), shall be Seller’s sole and exclusive remedy for damages of any nature or kind that Seller may suffer under this Agreement, and Seller shall have no further remedy against Purchaser for any claim or Damages arising out of, relating to or in connection with this Agreement or the Transactions, except in the case of Purchaser’s fraud or willful misconduct.

(h) Each party agrees to take such action as is necessary or desirable to effectuate the payment of the Escrow Deposit and all interest or earnings thereon as set forth in this Section 9.1, including promptly providing to the Escrow Agent written instructions and Joint Instructions related to the payment thereof in the manner set forth in the Escrow Agreement.

9.2 Effect of Termination. In the event of a valid termination of this Agreement pursuant to Section 9.1, (i) this Agreement (other than Section 6.6, this Article IX and Article X each of which shall remain in full force and effect) shall forthwith become null and void; (ii) no party hereto (nor any of their respective Affiliates nor any of such party’s or any of such Affiliates, directors, officers, shareholders or employees) shall have any Liability or further obligation, except as provided in this Article IX; provided, however, that nothing in this Section 9.2 shall (subject to the limitations in Section 9.1(e)) relieve any party from Liability for any breach of this Agreement prior to termination. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, in no event shall either party be permitted to terminate this Agreement after the Closing.

9.3 Specific Performance. In the event of failure or threatened failure by Seller to comply with the terms of this Agreement, Purchaser shall be entitled to an injunction restraining such failure or threatened failure and, subject to the extent applicable to obtaining the FCC Consent, to enforcement of this Agreement by a decree of specific performance requiring compliance with this Agreement. In the event of failure or threatened failure by Purchaser to comply with the terms of this Agreement, Seller shall be entitled to an injunction restraining such failure or threatened failure to, and enforcement of, Section 6.3, Section 6.5, Section 6.6, Section 6.8, Section 9.1, Section 10.2, Section 10.4, Section 10.6, Section 10.7, Section 10.9, Section 10.11, Section 10.12, Section 10.13,

Section 10.14, and Section 10.15 of this Agreement by a decree of specific performance requiring compliance with this Agreement.

## ARTICLE X MISCELLANEOUS

10.1 Notices. All notices, requests, demands, claims and other communications that are required or may be given pursuant to this Agreement must be in writing and delivered personally against written receipt, by a nationally recognized overnight delivery service, by email or other electronic transmission or by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid, to the parties at the following addresses (or to the attention of such other Person or such other address as any party may provide to the other parties by notice in accordance with this Section 10.1):

if to Seller, to:  
Red River Broadcast Co., LLC  
7777 Golden Triangle Drive,  
Suite 150  
Eden Prairie, MN 55344  
Attention: John Exline  
Telephone: (612) 276-1818  
Email: john.exline@curtissquire.com

with a copy (which shall not constitute notice) to:  
Holland & Knight LLP  
800 17th Street N.W.  
Suite 1100  
Washington, District of Columbia 20006  
Attention: Charles R. Naftalin  
Email: charles.naftalin@hklaw.com

if to Purchaser, to:  
Forum Communications Company  
101 Fifth Street North  
Fargo, North Dakota 58102  
Attention: Bill Rouse  
Telephone: (701) 241-5499  
Email: brouse@forumcom.com

with a copy (which shall not constitute notice) to:  
Faegre Drinker Biddle & Reath LLP  
2200 Wells Fargo Center  
90 South Seventh Street  
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55402  
Attention: Jonathan L.H. Nygren  
Telephone: (612) 766-7000  
Email: jon.nygren@faegredrinker.com

Any such notice or other communication will be deemed to have been given (i) if personally delivered, when so delivered, against written receipt, (ii) if sent by a nationally recognized overnight delivery service when so delivered against written receipt, (iii) if sent by email when so delivered and the appropriate confirmation is received or (iv) if mailed by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid and addressed to the intended recipient as set forth above, when so delivered against written receipt. Any notice, request, demand, claim or other communication given hereunder using any other means (including ordinary mail or electronic mail) shall not be deemed to have been duly given unless and until such notice, request, demand, claim or other communication is actually received by the individual for whom it is intended.

10.2 Assignment. Neither this Agreement nor any of the rights, interests or obligations hereunder may be assigned or delegated by Seller or Purchaser without the prior written consent of

the other parties and any purported assignment or delegation in violation hereof shall be null and void (except for assignments and transfers by operation of Law); provided, that Purchaser may by written notice to Seller, but without consent of Seller, assign all or any part of its rights and obligations hereunder to one or more Affiliate(s) of Purchaser and Purchaser may assign its rights hereunder in whole or in part as security for any financing of the transactions contemplated hereby, provided, that, in either case, any such assignment does not delay the processing of the FCC Application, the grant of the FCC Consent or the Closing or conflict with any FCC rules or policies; and provided further, that Purchaser shall not be relieved of any Liability pursuant to this Agreement in connection with such assignment. The terms of this Agreement shall bind and inure to the benefit of the parties' respective successors and permitted assigns.

10.3 Amendments and Waiver; Exclusive Remedies. This Agreement may not be modified or amended except in writing signed by the party or parties against whom enforcement is sought. The terms of this Agreement may be waived only by a written instrument signed by the party or parties waiving compliance. No waiver of any provision of this Agreement shall be deemed or shall constitute a waiver of any other provision hereof (whether or not similar), nor shall such waiver constitute a continuing waiver unless otherwise provided. No delay on the part of any party hereto in exercising any right, power or privilege hereunder shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right, power or privilege hereunder preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right, power or privilege hereunder. Whenever this Agreement requires or permits consent by or on behalf of a party, such consent shall be given in writing in a manner consistent with the requirements for a waiver of compliance as set forth in this Section 10.3. The rights and remedies herein provided shall be the exclusive rights and remedies available to the parties hereto at law or in equity.

10.4 Entire Agreement. This Agreement and the related documents contained as Exhibits and Schedules hereto or expressly contemplated hereby (including the Operative Agreements), together with the Confidentiality Agreement incorporated herein, contain the entire understanding of the parties relating to the subject matter hereof and supersede all prior written or oral and all contemporaneous oral agreements and understandings relating to the subject matter hereof. The Exhibits and Schedules to this Agreement are hereby incorporated by reference into and made a part of this Agreement for all purposes. In the event of any inconsistency between the statements in the body of this Agreement and those in the other Operative Agreements, the Exhibits and Schedules (other than an exception expressly set forth as such in the Schedules), the statements in the body of this Agreement will control.

10.5 No Third Party Beneficiary. This Agreement is made for the sole benefit of the parties hereto, and their respective successors, executors and permitted assigns, and nothing contained herein, express or implied, is intended to or shall confer upon any other Person any third party beneficiary right or any other legal or equitable rights, benefits or remedies of any nature whatsoever under or by reason of this Agreement (except to the extent that certain third parties are expressly covered by the indemnity herein).

10.6 Governing Law. This Agreement will be governed by and construed and interpreted in accordance with the substantive Laws of the State of Minnesota, without giving effect to any conflicts of Law, rule or principle that might require the application of the Laws of another jurisdiction.

10.7 Representations and Warranties Exclusive. The representations, warranties, covenants and agreements set forth in this Agreement and the Operative Agreements constitute all the representations, warranties, covenants and agreements of the parties hereto and their respective shareholders, directors, officers, employees, Affiliates, advisors (including financial, legal and accounting), agents and representatives and upon which the parties have relied. In particular, and without in any way limiting the generality of the foregoing, Purchaser acknowledges and agrees that, in making its decision to purchase the Assets, it is not relying on (a) any information or materials, oral or written, distributed or made available to Purchaser by any Person prior to the date hereof other than matters set forth in this Agreement, including the Schedules and/or the Operative Agreements or (b) any financial projection, forecast or business plan relating to the Station. With respect to any projection, forecast or business plan delivered by or on behalf of Seller to Purchaser, Purchaser acknowledges that (i) there are uncertainties inherent in attempting to make such projections, forecasts and plans, (ii) it is familiar with such uncertainties, (iii) it is taking full responsibility for making its own evaluation of the adequacy and accuracy of all such projections, forecasts and plans so furnished to it, and (iv) it shall have no claim of any kind whatsoever against any Person with respect thereto.

10.8 Neutral Construction. The parties to this Agreement agree that this Agreement was negotiated fairly between them at arms' length and that the final terms of this Agreement are the product of the parties' negotiations. Each party represents and warrants that it has sought and received legal counsel of its own choosing with regard to the contents of this Agreement and the rights and obligations affected hereby. The parties agree that this Agreement shall be deemed to have been jointly and equally drafted by them, and that the provisions of this Agreement therefore should not be construed against a party or parties on the grounds that the party or parties drafted or was more responsible for drafting the provision(s).

10.9 Severability. It is the desire and intent of the parties that the provisions of this Agreement be enforced to the fullest extent permissible under the Laws and public policies applied in each jurisdiction in which enforcement is sought. Accordingly, if any particular provision of this Agreement shall be adjudicated by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, prohibited or unenforceable for any reason, so long as the economic or legal substance of the Transactions is not affected in any manner materially adverse to any party, such provision, as to such jurisdiction, shall be ineffective, without invalidating the remaining provisions of this Agreement or affecting the validity or enforceability of this Agreement or affecting the validity or enforceability of such provision in any other jurisdiction. Notwithstanding the foregoing, so long as the economic or legal substance of the Transactions is not affected in any manner materially adverse to any party, if such provision could be more narrowly drawn so as not to be invalid, prohibited or unenforceable in such jurisdiction, it shall, as to such jurisdiction, be so narrowly drawn, without invalidating the remaining provisions of this Agreement or affecting the validity or enforceability of such provision in any other jurisdiction. Upon such determination that any term or other provision is invalid, illegal or incapable of being enforced in any manner materially adverse to any party and that such provision cannot be narrowly drawn, the parties shall negotiate in good faith to modify this Agreement so as to effect the original intent of the parties as closely as possible in a mutually acceptable manner in order that the Transactions be consummated as originally contemplated to the fullest extent possible.

10.10 Bulk Sales and Other State Laws. The parties hereby waive compliance with the bulk sales laws of any State in which the Assets are located or in which operations relating to the Station are conducted.

10.11 Heading; Interpretation; Schedules and Exhibits. This Agreement has been negotiated by Purchaser, Seller and their respective legal counsel, and legal or equitable principles that might require the construction of this Agreement or any provision of this Agreement against the party drafting this Agreement shall not apply in any construction or interpretation of this Agreement. In this Agreement (a) the words “hereof,” “herein,” “hereto,” “hereunder,” and words of similar import may refer to this Agreement as a whole and not merely to a specific section, paragraph, or clause in which the respective word appears, (b) words used herein, regardless of the gender specifically used, shall be deemed and construed to include any other gender, masculine, feminine or neuter, as the context requires, (c) any terms defined in this Agreement may, unless the context otherwise requires, be used in the singular or the plural depending on the reference, (d) unless otherwise stated, references to any Section, Article, Schedule or Exhibit are to such Section or Article of, or Schedule or Exhibit to, this Agreement, (e) the words “include”, “includes”, and “including” are deemed in each case to be followed by the words “without limitation” and (f) the word “shall” denotes a directive and obligation, and not an option. Any reference to any federal, state, local or foreign statute or Law shall be deemed also to refer to all rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, unless the context requires otherwise. Disclosure of information included on any Schedule to this Agreement shall be considered disclosure of such information for all other Schedules, and shall so qualify the applicable representations and warranties to which such other Schedules relate, to the extent that it is reasonably apparent from the face of such disclosure that such disclosure is applicable to such other Schedule. In addition, (x) the fact that any disclosure on any Schedule is not required to be disclosed in order to render the applicable representation or warranty to which it relates true, or that the absence of such disclosure on any Schedule would not constitute a breach of such representation or warranty, shall not be deemed or construed to expand the scope of any representation or warranty hereunder or to establish a standard of disclosure in respect of any representation or warranty and (y) disclosure of a particular matter on any Schedule shall not be construed to mean that such matter is material .

10.12 Consent to Jurisdiction. EACH PARTY HERETO CONSENTS TO THE EXCLUSIVE JURISDICTION OF THE COURTS OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA, OR IF IT HAS OR CAN ACQUIRE JURISDICTION, IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA, AND IRREVOCABLY AGREES THAT ALL ACTIONS OR PROCEEDINGS RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT, ANY AGREEMENT DELIVERED IN CONNECTION HERewith OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY OR THEREBY MAY BE LITIGATED IN SUCH COURTS. EACH PARTY HERETO ACCEPTS FOR ITSELF AND IN CONNECTION WITH ITS RESPECTIVE PROPERTIES, GENERALLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY, THE JURISDICTION OF SUCH COURTS AND WAIVES ANY DEFENSE OF FORUM NON CONVENIENS, AND IRREVOCABLY AGREES TO BE BOUND BY ANY JUDGMENT RENDERED THEREBY IN CONNECTION WITH THIS AGREEMENT, ANY AGREEMENT DELIVERED IN CONNECTION HERewith OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY OR THEREBY. EACH PARTY HERETO IRREVOCABLY CONSENTS TO THE SERVICE OF PROCESS OUT OF ANY OF SUCH COURTS IN ANY SUCH ACTION OR PROCEEDING BY THE MAILING OF COPIES THEREOF BY REGISTERED OR CERTIFIED MAIL, POSTAGE PREPAID, TO SUCH PARTY AT THE ADDRESS SPECIFIED IN THIS AGREEMENT, SUCH SERVICE TO BECOME EFFECTIVE

15 CALENDAR DAYS AFTER SUCH MAILING. NOTHING HEREIN SHALL IN ANY WAY BE DEEMED TO LIMIT THE ABILITY OF ANY PARTY HERETO TO SERVE ANY SUCH LEGAL PROCESS, SUMMONS, NOTICES AND DOCUMENTS IN ANY OTHER MANNER PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW.

10.13 Waiver of Jury Trial. EACH PARTY ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT ANY CONTROVERSY WHICH MAY ARISE UNDER THIS AGREEMENT IS LIKELY TO INVOLVE COMPLICATED AND DIFFICULT ISSUES, AND THEREFORE IT HEREBY IRREVOCABLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY WAIVES ANY RIGHT IT MAY HAVE TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN RESPECT OF ANY LITIGATION DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT AND ANY OF THE AGREEMENTS DELIVERED IN CONNECTION HERewith OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY OR THEREBY. EACH PARTY CERTIFIES AND ACKNOWLEDGES THAT (I) NO REPRESENTATIVE, AGENT OR ATTORNEY OF ANY OTHER PARTY HAS REPRESENTED, EXPRESSLY OR OTHERWISE, THAT SUCH OTHER PARTY WOULD NOT, IN THE EVENT OF LITIGATION, SEEK TO ENFORCE SUCH WAIVER, (II) IT UNDERSTANDS AND HAS CONSIDERED THE IMPLICATIONS OF SUCH WAIVER, (III) IT MAKES SUCH WAIVER VOLUNTARILY, AND (IV) IT HAS BEEN INDUCED TO ENTER INTO THIS AGREEMENT BY, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE MUTUAL WAIVERS AND CERTIFICATIONS IN THIS SECTION 10.13.

10.14 Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed and delivered (including by facsimile or electronic transmission) in one or more counterparts, and by the different parties hereto in separate counterparts, each of which when executed shall be deemed to be an original, but all of which taken together shall constitute one and the same agreement.

10.15 Non-Recourse. Except for the entities party to this Agreement, no past, present or future director, officer, employee, incorporator, shareholder, member, partner, equityholder, Affiliate, agent, attorney or representative of Seller or Purchaser or any of their respective Affiliates shall have any Liability for any obligations or Liabilities of Seller or Purchaser under this Agreement or for any claim (whether in contract or tort, in law or in equity, or based upon any theory that seeks to “pierce the corporate veil” or impose liability of an entity against its owners or Affiliates or otherwise), Liability or any other obligation arising under, based on, in respect of, in connection with, or by reason of, this Agreement or the Transactions contemplated hereby, including its negotiation and/or execution.

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**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, each of the parties hereto has caused this Agreement to be executed by a duly authorized officer as of the date first above written.

**SELLER:**

**RED RIVER BROADCAST CO., LLC**

By:   
Name: John Exline  
Title: Secretary

**KQDS-TV CORP.**

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Title: Secretary

**PURCHASER:**

**FORUM COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY**

By: W. R. Rouse

Name: Bill Rouse

Title: Chief Operating Officer