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Marlene H. Dortch, Esq.
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
45 L Street, NE
Washington, DC 20554

Re: **Notification of Reduced Power Operation w/Parameters at Variance**
Sinclair Telecable, Inc.
Station WTAR(AM), Norfolk, Virginia
Facility Identifier Number 60472

Dear Ms. Dortch:

This letter, filed on behalf of Sinclair Telecable, Inc. ("STI"), notifies the FCC that Station WTAR(AM) is currently operating at five kiloWatts (5 kW) of power during daytime and nighttime hours, instead of its licensed power levels (50W/25kW respectively), with directional antenna parameters at variance. This decrease is the after-effect of damage sustained by the S.B.A. Towers cell phone monopole tower at the site during a recent, prolonged windstorm. One of the detuning skirt wires lost a couple of standoff insulator rods in the high winds, resulting in the detuning wire becoming entangled with steel climbing pegs, thus grounding the skirt and rendering detuning ineffective. STI's engineer is working with the tower's owner to encourage and help facilitate their correction of the problem on their tower as soon as possible. If there is no resolution within thirty (30) days, STI will submit a formal request for a Special Temporary Authorization.

If you have any questions, please contact undersigned counsel.

Sincerely,

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