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Transfers

Lead File Number: 000020008	B Submit Date: 01/24/2023 Lead Call	Sign: KOEZ FRN: 0	003576667
Service: Full Power FM Pu	urpose: Transfer of Control Amendment	Status: Dismissed	Status Date: 09/08/2023
Filing Status: Inactive			

General	Section	Question	Response
Information	Attachments	Are attachments (other than associated schedules) being filed with this application?	No

Fees, Waivers, and Exemptions

Section	Question	Response
Fees	Is the applicant exempt from FCC application Fees?	No
	Indicate reason for fee exemption:	
Waivers	Does this filing request a waiver of the Commission's rule(s)?	No
	Total number of rule sections involved in this waiver request:	

Transfer Type

Question	Response
Is this application a pro forma Transfer of Control?	Yes
By answering "Yes" the Applicant certifies that the use of short form pro forma application is appropriate for this transaction?	Yes
Is the Transfer Voluntary or Involuntary:	Involuntary

Authorizations to be

Selected Call Signs

e Transferred	Call

Call Sign	Facility ID	File Number	Service	City, State
KOEZ	7823	0000200088	FM	AMES, IA
KICD-FM	29079	0000200089	FM	SPENCER, IA
K260AM	152401	0000200090	FX	DES MOINES, IA
K271CO	156487	0000200091	FX	DES MOINES, IA
K252EX	152235	0000200092	FX	SPENCER, IA
K229CC	151706	0000200093	FX	DES MOINES, IA
KIOA	58547	0000200094	FM	DES MOINES, IA
K273DD	200009	0000200095	FX	SPENCER, IA
KICD	29078	0000200096	AM	SPENCER, IA
K283CC	140930	0000200097	FX	DES MOINES, IA
KMRR	29080	0000200098	FM	SPENCER, IA
KSTZ	58541	0000200099	FM	DES MOINES, IA

KAZR	28882	0000200100	FM	PELLA, IA
KPSZ	58533	0000200101	АМ	DES MOINES, IA
K253CV	153279	0000200102	FX	SPIRIT LAKE, IA
KRNT	58534	0000200103	АМ	DES MOINES, IA

Transfer
Questions

Question	Respo
Were any of the authorizations that are the subject of this application obtained through the Commission's competitive bidding procedures (see 47 C.F.R. Sections 1.2111(a) and 73.5000)?	No
Were any of the authorizations that are the subject of this application obtained through the Commission's point system for reserved channel noncommercial educational stations (see 47 C.F.R. Sections 73.7001 and 73.7003)?	
Have all such stations operated for at least 4 years with a minimum operating schedule since grant pursuant to the point system?	
Were any of the authorizations that are the subject of this application obtained after award of a dispositive Section 307(b) preference using the Tribal Priority, through Threshold Qualifications procedures, or through the Tribal Priority as applied before the NCE fair distribution analysis set forth in 47 C.F.R. § 73.7002(b)?	
Have all such stations operated for at least 4 years with a minimum operating schedule since grant?	
Do both the transferor and transferee qualify for the Tribal Priority in all respects?	
LPFM Licenses Only: Has it been at least 18 months since the initial construction permit for the LPFM station was granted?	
LPFM Licenses Only: Does the assignment of the LPFM authorization satisfy the consideration restrictions of 47 CFR Section 73.865(a)(1)?	
LPFM Licenses Only: Were any of the LPFM authorizations that are subject to this application obtained through the Commission's point system for low power FM stations (see 47 CFR Section 73.872)?	
If yes to question above, have all such LPFM stations operated for at least four years since grant pursuant to the point system?" (options – Y/N. If Yes, nothing further required. No requires attachment as follows)"If no to new sub question, list pertinent authorizations in an Exhibit and include in the Exhibit a showing that the transaction is consistent with the requirements of 47 CFR Section 73.865(a)(3).	

Licensee/Permittee Name, Type, and Contact Information

Licensee/Permittee	Address	Phone	Email	FRN
SAGA COMMUNICATIONS OF	Samuel D. Bush	+1 (313) 886-	fcclicenses@sagacom.	0003576667
IOWA, LLC	73 Kercheval Avenue	7070	com	
	Suite 201			
	Grosse Pointe Farms, MI			
	48236			
	United States			

Licensee	Contact Name	Address	Phone	Email	Contact Type
/Permittee Contact Representatives (1)	GARY S. SMITHWICK , Esq . <i>Legal Counsel</i> SMITHWICK & BELENDIUK, P.C.	Gary S. Smithwick, Esq. 5028 WISCONSIN AVENUE, NW SUITE 301 WASHINGTON, DC 20016 United States	+1 (202) 363- 4560	GSMITHWICK@FCCWORLD. COM	Legal Representative

Licensee /Permittee Information

Section	Question	Response
Agreements for Transfer Control of Station	Licensee/Permittee certifies that: (i) it has placed its public inspection file(s) and submitted to the Commission as an Exhibit to this application copies of all agreements for the transfer of the station(s); (ii) these documents embody the complete and final understanding between Transferor and Transferee; and (iii) these agreements comply fully with the Commission's rules and policies	
Other Authorizations	Please upload an attachment detailing the call signs, locations, and facility identifiers of all other broadcast stations in which Licensee/Permittee or any party to the application has an attributable interest.	
Character Issues	Licensee/Permittee certifies that neither licensee/permittee nor any party to the application has or has had any interest in, or connection with: (a) any broadcast application in any proceeding where character issues were left unresolved or were resolved adversely against the applicant or any party to the application or (b) any pending broadcast application in which character issues have been raised	
Adverse Findings	Licensee/Permittee certifies that, with respect to the Licensee/Permittee and each party to the application, no adverse finding has been made, nor has an adverse final action been taken by any court or administrative body in a civil or criminal proceeding brought under the provisions of any law related to any of the following: any felony; mass media-related antitrust or unfair competition; fraudulent statements to another governmental unit; or discrimination.	
Local Public Notice	Licensee/Permittee certifies that it has or will comply with the public notice requirements of 47 C.F.R. Section 73.3580.	
Auction Authorization	Licensee/Permittee certifies that more than five years have passed since the issuance of the construction permit for the station being assigned, where that permit was acquired in an auction through the use of a bidding credit or other special measure.	
Anti-Discrimination Certification	Licensee/Permittee certifies that neither licensee/permittee nor any party to the application have violated the Commission's prohibition against discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin or sex in the sale of commercially operated AM, FM, TV, Class A TV or international broadcast stations.	

Transferor Information

Licensee

/Permittee Legal Certifications

Transferor Name, Type, and Contact Information

Address

Contact Name

Transferor	Туре	Address	Phone	Email	FRN
Edward K Christian	Individual	Samuel D. Bush 73 Kercheval Avenue	+1 (313) 886- 7070	fcclicenses@sagacom. com	0003932100
Doing Business		Suite 201			
As:		Grosse Pointe Farms, MI			
		48236			

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Email

Contact Type

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Legal Representative

Transferor Legal
Certifications

Section	Question	Response
Agreements for Transfer Control of Station	Transferor certifies that: (i) it has placed in Transferor's public inspection file(s) and submitted to the Commission as an Exhibit to this application copies of all agreements for the assignment /transfer of the station(s); (ii) these documents embody the complete and final understanding between Transferor and Transferee; and (iii) these agreements comply fully with the Commission's rules and policies	
	If the transaction is involuntary, the Transferor certifies that court orders or other authorizing documents have been issued and that it has placed in the licensee's/permittee's public inspection file(s) and submitted to the Commission copies of such court orders or other authorizing documents.	Yes
Character Issues	Transferor certifies that neither transferor nor any party to the application has or has had any interest in, or connection with: (a) any broadcast application in any proceeding where character issues were left unresolved or were resolved adversely against the applicant or any party to the application or (b) any pending broadcast application in which character issues have been raised	Yes
Adverse Findings	Transferor certifies that, with respect to the Transferor and each party to the application, no adverse finding has been made, nor has an adverse final action been taken by any court or administrative body in a civil or criminal proceeding brought under the provisions of any law related to any of the following: any felony; mass media-related antitrust or unfair competition; fraudulent statements to another governmental unit; or discrimination.	Yes
Local Public Notice	Transferor certifies that it has or will comply with the public notice requirements of 47 C.F.R. Section 73.3580.	
Auction Authorization	Transferor certifies that more than five years have passed since the issuance of the construction permit for the station being assigned, where that permit was acquired in an auction through the use of a bidding credit or other special measure.	N/A
Anti-Discrimination Certification	Transferor certifies that neither licensee/permittee nor any party to the application have violated the Commission's prohibition against discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin or sex in the sale of commercially operated AM, FM, TV, Class A TV or international broadcast stations.	

Transferee
Information

Transferee Name, Type, and Contact Information

Transferee	Туре	Address	Phone	Email	FRN

	Shareholders of Saga Communications, Inc.	Corporation	Samuel D. 73 Kerchev Avenue Grosse Poi Farms, MI 4	val 886-7 nte		nses@saga	com. 0002750206
Transferee	Contact Name	Address	F	Phone	Email		Contact Type
Contact Representatives (1)	Gary S. Smithwick , Esquire . <i>Legal Counsel</i> Smithwick & Belendiuk, P. C.	Mr. Gary S. Smith 5028 Wisconsin / N.W. Suite 301 Washington, DC United States	Avenue, 4	+1 (202) 363- 4560	gsmithwick@f	ccworld.	Legal Representative
Changes in Interest (1)	Party Name Citize	enship Address Pl	hone E	mail	Interest Transfer		Interest After Transfer
.,	See Unite Comprehensive State Exhibit	es N/A 8 N/A,		cclicenses@saga com	com. Pct. (Pe of Votes 0%	rcentage) S:	Pct. (Percentage) of Votes: 0%
		MI 48236 United States				rcentage) Assets:	Pct. (Percentage) of Total Assets: 0%
Changes in Interest Certification	Question Applicant certifies that equ	ity and financial intere	ests not set fo	orth by the transfe	ree are nonattrib	outable.	Response Yes
Parties to the Application (0)	Party Name Cit	zenship A	Address E	Phone Empty	Email Po	ositional In	terest
Parties to the	Question						Response
Application Certification	Applicant certifies that equ	ty and financial intere	ests not set fo	orth by the transfe	ree are nonattrib	outable.	
Transferee Legal	Section	Question				Response	e
Certifications	Agreements for Sale	inspection file a complete and fin station(s); and	ngreements in and submitted nal agreemen ments comply	the Transferee's to the Commissio at for the sale or tr fully with the Col	on embody the cansfer of the	No	
	Other Authorizations	locations, and fa	acility identifie h Transferee	t detailing the call ers of all other bro or any party to the	adcast		

Multiple Ownership	Is the Transferee or any party to the application the holder of an attributable radio joint sales agreement or an attributable radio or television time brokerage agreement with the station (s) subject to this application or with any other station in the same market as the station(s) subject to this application?	
	Transferee certifies that the proposed assignment complies with the Commission's multiple ownership rules.	
	 Transferee certifies that the proposed assignment: (1) does not present an issue under the Commission's policies relating to media interests of immediate family members; (2) complies with the Commission's policies relating to future ownership interests; and (3) complies with the Commission's restrictions relating to the insulation and nonparticipation of non-party investors and creditors. 	
	Does the Transferee claim status as an "eligible entity," that is, an entity that qualifies as a small business under the Small Business Administration's size standards for its industry grouping (as set forth in 13 C.F.R. § 121-201), and holds (1) 30 percent or more of the stock or partnership interests and more than 50 percent of the voting power of the corporation or partnership that will own the media outlet; or (2) 15 percent or more of the stock or partnership interests and more than 50 percent of the voting power of the corporation or partnership that will own the media outlet, provided that no other person or entity owns or controls more than 25 percent of the outstanding stock or partnership interests; or (3) More than 50 percent of the voting power of the corporation that will own the media outlet (if such corporation is a publicly traded company)?	
	Does this transfer include a grandfathered cluster of stations?	
	Applicant certifies that it will come in compliance by divesting the necessary station(s) within 12 months of the consummation of this transaction to:	
	A) An Eligible Entity (as defined in Item 6d, above).	
	B) An Irrevocable Trust that will assign the station(s) to an Eligible Entity.	
Acquisition of Control	Please upload an attachment listing the file number and date of grant of FCC Form 301, 314, or 315 application by which the Commission approved the qualifications of the individual or entity with a pre-existing interest in the licensee/permittee that is now acquiring control of the licensee/permittee as a result of the grant of this application.	N/A
Character Issues	Transferee certifies that neither transferee nor any party to the application has or has had any interest in, or connection with: (a) any broadcast application in any proceeding where character issues were left unresolved or were resolved adversely against the applicant or any party to the application; or (b) any pending broadcast application in which character issues have been raised.	Yes

Adverse Findings	Transferee certifies that, with respect to the transferee and each party to the application, no adverse finding has been	Yes
	made, nor has an adverse final action been taken by any court or administrative body in a civil or criminal proceeding	
	brought under the provisions of any law related to any of the	
	following: any felony; mass media-related antitrust or unfair competition; fraudulent statements to another governmental	
	unit; or discrimination.	
Financial Qualifications	Transferee certifies that sufficient net liquid assets are on hand or are available from committed sources to consummate the transaction and operate the station(s) for	
	three months.	
Program Service Certification	Transferee certifies that it is cognizant of and will comply with its obligations as a Commission licensee to present a program service responsive to the issues of public concern	
	facing the station's community of license and service area.	
Auction Authorization	Transferee certifies that where less than five years have passed since the issuance of the construction permit and the	N/A
	permit had been acquired in an auction through the use of a	
	bidding credit or other special measure, it would qualify for such credit or other special measure.	
Equal Employment	If the applicant proposes to employ five or more full-time	
Opportunity (EEO)	employees, applicant certifies that it is filing simultaneously with this application a Model EEO Program Report on FCC Form 396-A.	

Question Response **Tranferee Alien** 1) Is the applicant a foreign government or the representative of any foreign government as specified in Section No 310(a) of the Communications Act? 2) Is the applicant an alien or the representative of an alien? (Section 310(b)(1)) No 3) Is the applicant a corporation, or non-corporate entity, that is organized under the laws of any foreign No government? (Section 310(b)(2)) 4) Is the applicant an entity of which more than one-fifth of the capital stock, or other equity or voting interest, is No owned of record or voted by aliens or their representatives or by a foreign government or representative thereof or by any entity organized under the laws of a foreign country? (Section 310(b)(3)) No 5) Is the applicant directly or indirectly controlled by any other entity of which more than one-fourth of the capital stock, or other equity or voting interest, is owned of record or voted by aliens, their representatives, or by a foreign government or representative thereof, or by any entity organized under the laws of a foreign country? (Section 310(b)(4)) 6) Has the applicant received a declaratory ruling(s) under Section 310(b)(4) of the Communications Act? No 6a) Enter the citation of the applicable declaratory ruling by DA/FCC number, FCC Record citation, release date, or any other identifying information. 7) Has there been any change in the applicant's foreign ownership since issuance of the declaratory ruling(s) cited in response to Question 6? 8) Does the applicant certify that it is in compliance with the terms and conditions of the foreign ownership declaratory ruling(s) cited in response to Question 6? 9) In connection with this application, is the applicant filing a foreign ownership Petition for Declaratory Ruling No pursuant to Section 310(b)(4) of the Communications Act?

Ownership

/Permittee Certification	General Certification Statements	Licensee/Permittee certifies that it has answered each question in this application based on its review of the application instructions and worksheets. Licensee/Permittee further certifies that where it has made an affirmative certification below, this certification constitutes its representation that the application satisfies each of the pertinent standards and criteria set forth in the application instructions and worksheets.	
		The Licensee/Permittee certifies that neither the Licensee /Permittee nor any other party to the application is subject to a denial of Federal benefits pursuant to §5301 of the Anti- Drug Abuse Act of 1988, 21 U.S.C. § 862, because of a conviction for possession or distribution of a controlled substance. This certification does not apply to applications filed in services exempted under §1.2002(c) of the rules, 47 CFR . See §1.2002(b) of the rules, 47 CFR § 1.2002(b), for the definition of "party to the application" as used in this certification § 1.2002(c). The Licensee/Permittee certifies that all statements made in this application and in the exhibits, attachments, or documents incorporated by reference are material, are part of this application, and are true, complete, correct, and made in good faith.	
	Authorized Party to Sign	 FAILURE TO SIGN THIS APPLICATION MAY RESULT IN DISMISSAL OF THE APPLICATION AND FORFEITURE OF ANY FEES PAID Upon grant of this application, the Authorization Holder may be subject to certain construction or coverage requirements. Failure to meet the construction or coverage requirements will result in automatic cancellation of the Authorization. Consult appropriate FCC regulations to determine the construction or coverage requirements that apply to the type of Authorization requested in this application. WILLFUL FALSE STATEMENTS MADE ON THIS FORM OR ANY ATTACHMENTS ARE PUNISHABLE BY FINE AND /OR IMPRISONMENT (U.S. Code, Title 18, §1001) AND/OR REVOCATION OF ANY STATION AUTHORIZATION (U.S. Code, Title 47, §312(a)(1)), AND/OR FORFEITURE (U.S. Code, Title 47, §503). 	
		I certify that this application includes all required and relevant attachments.	
		I declare, under penalty of perjury, that I am an authorized representative of the above-named applicant for the Authorization(s) specified above.	

Transferee	Section	Question	Response
Certification	General Certification Statements	The Transferee certifies that neither the Transferee nor any other party to the application is subject to a denial of Federal benefits pursuant to §5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988, 21 U.S.C. § 862, because of a conviction for possession or distribution of a controlled substance. This certification does not apply to applications filed in services exempted under §1.2002(c) of the rules, 47 CFR . See §1. 2002(b) of the rules, 47 CFR § 1.2002(b), for the definition of "party to the application" as used in this certification § 1.2002 (c). The Transferee certifies that all statements made in this application and in the exhibits, attachments, or documents incorporated by reference are material, are part of this application, and are true, complete, correct, and made in good faith.	

Authorized Party to Sign	FAILURE TO SIGN THIS APPLICATION MAY RESULT IN	
	DISMISSAL OF THE APPLICATION AND FORFEITURE	
	OF ANY FEES PAID	
	Upon grant of this application, the Authorization Holder may	
	be subject to certain construction or coverage requirements.	
	Failure to meet the construction or coverage requirements	
	will result in automatic cancellation of the Authorization.	
	Consult appropriate FCC regulations to determine the	
	construction or coverage requirements that apply to the type	
	of Authorization requested in this application.	
	WILLFUL FALSE STATEMENTS MADE ON THIS FORM	
	OR ANY ATTACHMENTS ARE PUNISHABLE BY FINE AND	
	/OR IMPRISONMENT (U.S. Code, Title 18, §1001) AND/OR	
	REVOCATION OF ANY STATION AUTHORIZATION (U.S.	
	Code, Title 47, §312(a)(1)), AND/OR FORFEITURE (U.S.	
	Code, Title 47, §503).	
	I certify that this application includes all required and	Yes
	relevant attachments.	
	I declare, under penalty of perjury, that I am an authorized	Samuel D. Bush , D
	representative of the above-named applicant for the	Treasurer
	Authorization(s) specified above.	
		01/24/2023

Transferor Certification	Section	Question	Response
	General Certification Statements	The Transferor certifies that neither the Transferor nor any other party to the application is subject to a denial of Federal benefits pursuant to §5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988, 21 U.S.C. § 862, because of a conviction for possession or distribution of a controlled substance. This certification does not apply to applications filed in services exempted under §1.2002(c) of the rules, 47 CFR . See §1. 2002(b) of the rules, 47 CFR § 1.2002(b), for the definition of "party to the application" as used in this certification § 1.2002 (c). The Transferor certifies that all statements made in this application and in the exhibits, attachments, or documents incorporated by reference are material, are part of this application, and are true, complete, correct, and made in good faith.	
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		I certify that this application includes all required and relevant attachments.	Yes

I declare, under penalty of perjury, that I am an authorized representative of the above-named applicant for the Authorization(s) specified above. Samuel D. Bush Treasurer

01/24/2023

Attachments	File Name	Uploaded By	Attachment Type	Description	Upload Status
	<u>2022-09-26 - Letter of Authority (2022-877020-</u> DE).pdf	Applicant	Amendment	Letter of Authority	Done with Virus Scan and /or Conversion
	Amendment to DESCRIPTION OF CHANGES FOR WHICH APPROVAL IS SOUGHT - 9-20-22. docx	Applicant	Amendment	Amendment to Description of Involuntary Changes	Done with Virus Scan and /or Conversion
	<u>Attachment to Dismissal Request (Short-Forms).</u> pdf	Internal	All Purpose	Request for Dismissal	Done with Virus Scan and /or Conversion
	Comprehensive Exhibit- Iowa -Parties to the Application- (as of 1-19-2023)V2.docx	Applicant	Amendment	Comprehensive Exhibit - Saga Iowa - Parties to the Application	Done with Virus Scan and /or Conversion
	Comprehensive Exhibit - Saga Iowa - Parties to the Application-10-3-22.docx	Applicant	Amendment	Comprehensive Exhibit - Saga Iowa - Parties to the Application	Done with Virus Scan and /or Conversion
	Comprehensive Exhibit - Saga Iowa - Parties to the Application-1.docx	Applicant	All Purpose	Comprehensive Exhibit - Saga Communications of Iowa, LLC	Done with Virus Scan and /or Conversion
	Comprehensive Exhibit - Saga Iowa - Parties to the Application-9-25-2022 - Copy.docx	Applicant	All Purpose	Comprehensive Exhibit - Saga Iowa - Parties to the Application	Done with Virus Scan and /or Conversion
	DESCRIPTION OF CHANGES FOR WHICH APPROVAL IS SOUGHT- (1-19-2023.docx	Applicant	Amendment	Description of Changes for Which Approval is Sought	Done with Virus Scan and /or Conversion
	DESCRIPTION OF CHANGES FOR WHICH APPROVAL IS SOUGHT.docx	Applicant	All Purpose	Description of Changes for Which Approval is Sought	Done with Virus Scan and /or Conversion
	EXPLANATORY NOTE FOR TRANSFER OF CONTROL APPLICATIONS.docx	Applicant	All Purpose	Explanatory Note for Transfer of Control Applications	Done with Virus Scan and /or Conversion
	PURPOSE_OF_AMENDMENT(10-4-2022).docx	Applicant	Amendment	Purpose of Amendment	Done with Virus Scan and /or Conversion
	PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT.docx	Applicant	Amendment	Purpose of Amendment	Done with Virus Scan and /or Conversion
	PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT-January 2023 (1- 19-2023).docx	Applicant	Amendment	Purpose of Amendment	Done with Virus Scan and /or Conversion
	Saga Iowa - Exhibit Pro Forma Transfer - Other Broadcast Interests - 9-25-2022.doc	Applicant	Amendment	Saga Iowa Exhibit Pro Forma Transfer - Other Broadcast Interests	Done with Virus Scan and /or Conversion

TRANSFEREE EXPLANATORY NOTE ON DOCUMENTS.docx Done with Virus Scan and /or Conversion