

April 28, 2020

To:

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
Washington DC 20544

Re:

Application For Renewal of License
WABG(AM) Greenwood, Mississippi
Facility ID #25238
Application File No. 0000106654

INFORMAL OBJECTION

I, John Nichols, am a resident of Cleveland, Mississippi and the manager of FM radio station WKXY-FM in Cleveland.

I am hereby submitting this informal objection to the license renewal application of Station WABG(AM) in Greenwood, Mississippi.

On January 22, 2018, acting through my attorney, Arthur Calderon, I approached William Lockett, one of the owners of WABG's licensee, about potentially purchasing the station. At that time, Mr. Lockett responded that he had sold his interest in the station and was no longer involved. However, there is nothing in the station's Public File to reflect a change in ownership. In fact, up until the license renewal was filed, no ownership report was ever filed for the station. As such, it appears a premature transfer of control has occurred, although it is unclear who is really the owner of the station.


My current home in Cleveland, Mississippi is within the listening area of WABG(AM) and I attempt to listen to the station on a regular basis. I have regularly observed that WABG(AM) was off-air entirely, or was transmitting a silent carrier. I did not keep a log of these occurrences, but they were rather frequent.

I have also driven by the WABG towers after sunset and observed that the

towers were not lit, thereby constituting a hazard to air navigation. I have reviewed a copy of the tower registration for WABG(AM) and note that one of the three towers is required to be lit at night.

From all indications, the licensee of WABG(AM) appears to be unconcerned with compliance with FCC Rules and Regulations and should be deemed unfit to be a licensee.

I hereby declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my personal knowledge.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "John Nichols", written in black ink over a horizontal line.

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Executed on April 28, 2020

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