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FORM  
**SA-5131A**

## 2003 SERVICE ANNUAL SURVEY

### RADIO AND TELEVISION BROADCASTING

**DUE DATE** ▾

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**U.S. CENSUS BUREAU**  
1201 East 10th Street  
Jeffersonville, IN 47132-0001

Any questions call  
1-800-772-7851 weekdays,  
8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. EST

*(Please correct any error in name, address, or ZIP Code)*

**YOUR RESPONSE IS REQUIRED BY LAW.** Title 13, U.S. Code, requires businesses and other organizations that receive this questionnaire to answer the questions and return the report to the Census Bureau.

**Item 1 SURVEY COVERAGE**

This report covers all domestic locations operated by your company and its subsidiaries primarily engaged in operating television stations or television networks. Exclude cable and pay television networks.

Does this firm have domestic locations providing one of the business activities described in the survey coverage above?

- 1 Yes — Continue with Item 3  
 2 No — Specify your business activity and continue with Item 3, and complete as much of the survey form as possible. ▾

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**Item 2 NOT APPLICABLE TO THIS FORM**

**Item 3 REPORT PERIOD**

Mark (X) the one box which best describes the period covered by your report.

1 Calendar year — Go to Item 4A

If the data reported are for a period other than the "calendar year," please enter the beginning and ending dates.

- 2 Fiscal year  
 3 Less than 12 months } →

		2003		
		Month	Day	Year
<b>From</b>	0007			
<b>To</b>	0008			

**Item 4A REVENUE****General Instructions**

- Report only for those domestic locations primarily engaged in the activities defined in Item 1. For locations sold or acquired during 2003, report only for the period that the locations were operated by this firm.
- If calendar year records are not available, we will accept fiscal year data. Please note, however, that we prefer estimates for the calendar year to book figures covering a different time period.
- Report all charges or billings for services rendered and any sales of merchandise, even though payments may be received at a later date. Do not deduct allowances for uncollectible accounts. **Exclude** revenue from a domestic parent organization or intracompany transfers. **Exclude** sales and other taxes collected from customers and paid directly to a taxing authority.
- Trade-outs and barter: Estimate spots exchanged for program material at fair value consistent with purchases of other program material of similar quality and quantity. Estimate spots exchanged for merchandise or services as the amount the station would pay for the merchandise or service received.

**Item 4B REVENUE**

**Line 1a – Network compensation** – Network affiliated and independent stations, report the sale of time to networks. Network owned stations, exclude intracompany transfers.

**Lines 1b and 1c – National/regional and local advertising revenue** – **Include** trade-outs, barter, and political advertising revenue. **Exclude** commissions paid to agency representatives and brokers.

**Line 2 – Network advertising revenue** – Report network revenue from the sale of advertising. **Exclude** commissions paid to agency representatives and brokers.

**Line 3 – Sale of program rights** – Report payments received in exchange for the right to broadcast a television or radio program. **Exclude** revenue when the production and/or distribution of programs are provided by non-broadcasting divisions of this company.

**Line 4 – Production and post-production services** – Report the revenue received for the production of television and radio programs for a third party where the producer acts solely as a service provider and has no investment or ownership interest in the production itself. **Include** services such as videotaping, lighting, editing, closed captioning, sound recording, sound editing and mastering, master reproduction. **Exclude** revenue when these services are provided by non-broadcasting divisions of this company.

**Line 5 – Tax-exempt broadcasters** – Report memberships, subsidies, grants, gifts, contributions, underwriting, contracts, fundraising, royalties, sales, and other sources of funding.

**Line 6 – Other operating services revenue** – **Include** all other sources of revenue such as management fees, retransmission consent, and satellite truck revenue. **Exclude** tower rental revenue.

**Note** – If the amount reported in line 6 is greater than 20 percent of total operating revenue reported in line 7, indicate the source of this revenue in the "Remarks" section on page 5.

**An estimate is acceptable if a book figure is not available.**

**1. Advertising - Stations only:**

a. Network compensation

b. National/regional advertising revenue (net)

c. Local advertising revenue (net)

**2. Advertising - Networks only:**

Network time sales (net)

**3. Program rights****4. Production and post-production services****5. Public and non-commercial programming services****6. Other operating services revenue****7. TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE**

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**Item 4C E-COMMERCE RECEIPTS/REVENUE**

Report sales and receipts from any transaction completed over an Internet, extranet, EDI network, electronic mail or other online system. Transactions are agreements between buyers and sellers to transfer ownership of, or rights to use, goods or services. Payment for these goods and services may or may not be made online. Please see the General Instruction sheet for further clarification before completing this item.

**An estimate is acceptable if a book figure is not available.**

1. Did your firm have e-commerce sales during 2003?

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1  Yes – Enter the date your firm began e-commerce sales.

2  No – Continue to Item 4D.

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Month (i.e., June=06)

Year (i.e., 2003=03)

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2. What was your firm's e-commerce receipts/revenue for 2003? (**Include** e-commerce receipts/revenue in Item 4B. **Exclude** sales taxes.)

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**<Please continue to Item 4D>**

**Item 4D OPERATING EXPENSES**

**Include only purchases from external vendors.**

**Exclude capitalized costs.**

**1. Employee Compensation**

**Line 1a** – Report on a **cash** basis, the gross earnings paid to employees prior to deductions. If an unincorporated concern, exclude payments to proprietors or partners.

**Line 1b** – Report on a **cash** basis, employer's cost for legally required programs actually paid during the year, such as Social Security, workmen's compensation insurance, unemployment tax, and state disability insurance programs; and employer's cost for programs not required by law such as pension plans, stock purchase plans, union-negotiated benefits, life insurance benefits, and insurance premiums for hospital and medical plans. Report the amounts actually contributed.

**Line 1c** – Report payments made to suppliers for leased employees and temporary help such as office workers, provided they are **not on your payroll, but are supervised** by your firm. **Exclude** payments for services of persons supervised by the supplying firm, such as legal, accounting, janitorial, security, and building maintenance services.

**2. Expensed Materials and Supplies (not for resale)**

**Line 2a** – Report the cost of expensed computer hardware and packaged software. **Include** hardware such as servers, CPUs, monitors, and network devices; computer software purchased under licensing agreements, and computer software license fees; and other expensed business equipment, such as copiers, fax machines, and telephones. **Exclude** leased and/or rented equipment.

**Line 2b** – Report the cost of expensed materials, parts, and supplies, which are used as part of the services you provide. Include office and janitorial supplies, small tools, computer related supplies (such as cartridges and computer paper), packaging and containers, fuels for motor vehicles, and medical supplies. **Exclude** fuels for motor vehicles, and leased and/or rented materials, parts, and supplies.

**3. Expensed Purchased Services**

**Line 3a** – Report the cost of expensed custom coded software. **Include** computer-related services such as adaptation of off-the-shelf software, system design and support services, web design, and web hosting. **Exclude** computer-related communications costs.

**Line 3b** – Report the cost of data processing, computer consulting, and other purchased computer services. **Include** computer input preparation, data storage, computer time rental, microfilm imaging, and optical scanning services. **Exclude** payroll processing, credit card transaction fees, and fees for the management and operation of your data processing facilities.

**Line 3c** – Report the cost of telephone, cellular, pagers, and fax services; and computer-related communications such as Internet, connectivity, on-line, and other communication services.

**Line 3d** – Report the cost of purchased advertising, including payments to other firms for promotional printing, media, and other services and materials used for advertising. **Include** the cost of telemarketing services.

**Line 3e** – Report the cost of administrative and professional services such as management consulting, legal, accounting, auditing, bookkeeping, actuarial, payroll processing, architectural, engineering, and fees for the management and operation of your data processing facilities.

**Line 3f** – Report the cost of purchased electricity. If electricity is included in a lease or rental payment, report these costs below.

**Line 3g** – Report the cost of purchased fuels for heating, power, and generating electricity. **Include** the cost of natural gas. If the cost of fuels are included in a lease or rental payment, report these costs below.

**Line 3h** – Report lease and rental costs for land, buildings, offices, structures, machinery, and equipment. **Include** lease and rental of transportation equipment without operators; and penalties incurred for broken leases. **Exclude** payments by your firm to your parent company or organization (or any of its subsidiaries) for use of assets owned by them and installment payments for assets obtained through capital lease agreements.

**Line 3i** – **Include** purchased transportation (with operators); travel and lodging; shipping and warehousing; postage and package delivery; water, sewer, and refuse removal; janitorial, security, parking, and grounds maintenance; purchased repair and maintenance; and all other purchased services. **Exclude** insurance, depreciation, taxes and licenses, bank charges associated with maintaining accounts, investment and brokerage fees, credit card transaction fees, etc.

**An estimate is acceptable if a book figure is not available.**

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<b>1. Employee Compensation</b>					
a. Annual payroll	<b>800</b>				
b. Employer's contribution to employee benefits plans	<b>1269</b>				
c. Contract labor	<b>1287</b>				
<b>2. Expensed Materials and Supplies (not for resale)</b>					
a. Expensed business equipment and supplies (not for resale)	<b>1299</b>				
b. Other materials, parts, and supplies	<b>1300</b>				
<b>3. Expensed Purchased Services</b>					
a. Custom coded software (including adaptation of off-the-shelf software) and system design and support services	<b>1302</b>				
b. Data processing and other purchased computer services	<b>1303</b>				
c. Purchased communications	<b>1282</b>				
d. Purchased advertising and promotional services	<b>812</b>				
e. Purchased management consulting, administrative services, and other professional services	<b>1305</b>				
f. Purchased electricity	<b>1283</b>				
g. Purchased fuels (except motor fuels)	<b>1304</b>				
h. Lease and rental payments	<b>807</b>				
i. All other purchased services – <i>Specify</i>	<b>1307</b>				
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**Item 4D OPERATING EXPENSES – Continued**

**Include only purchases from external vendors.**

**Exclude capitalized costs.**

**4. Operating Expenses**

**Line 4a – Include** the cost of broadcast rights to feature films, syndicated programming, sports events, etc.

**Line 4b – (Networks Only)** Report the cost of programming time purchased from affiliated and independent stations. **Exclude** the cost of programming time purchased from stations owned by your company.

**Line 4c – Include** depreciation on buildings, offices, structures, and communications systems, vehicles, machinery, equipment, and other tangible assets. Report depreciation of assets obtained through capital lease agreements, leasehold assets, and amortization of intangible assets (i.e., goodwill, patents, copyrights, etc.). Report assets you lease to others under an operating lease agreement. **Exclude** depreciation on assets leased to others under a capital lease agreement. Do not adjust for the value of depreciable assets sold or traded for replacement purposes.

**Line 4d –** Report the cost of taxes and licenses including business license fees, real and personal property taxes (such as taxes on real estate, motor vehicles, machinery, equipment, and inventories), and special assessments. **Include** FCC license fees. **Exclude** income, sales, payroll, excise taxes, and other taxes collected from customers and paid to local, state or Federal government agencies.

**Line 4e – Include** insurance, bank charges associated with maintaining accounts, investment and brokerage fees, credit card transaction fees, and all other operating expenses.

**An estimate is acceptable if a book figure is not available.**

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<b>4. Other Operating Expenses</b>				
a. Broadcast rights and music license fees				
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b. Network compensation fees (networks only)				
<b>804</b>				
c. Depreciation and amortization charges (include amortization of intangible assets)				
<b>805</b>				
d. Taxes and licenses fees (exclude income, sales, payroll, and excise taxes)				
<b>1288</b>				
e. All other operating expenses – <i>Specify</i>				
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<b>5. TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES (Sum of lines 1–4)</b>				
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**Item 5 EXPORTED SERVICES**

**An estimate is acceptable if a book figure is not available.**

**Note –** An exported service is a service performed for a customer or client (individual, government, business establishment, etc.) located outside the United States (i.e., outside the 50 states, District of Columbia, U.S. Commonwealth Territories, or U.S. possessions). **Include** services performed for unaffiliated and affiliated foreign firms (i.e., foreign parent firms, subsidiaries, branches, etc.). **Exclude** services provided to domestic subsidiaries of foreign firms.

Did the revenue reported in Item 4A include any amounts received for exported services?  0009 Yes  No

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**Item 6 NUMBER OF LOCATIONS**

Enter the total number of service locations covered by this report as of December 31, 2003. A location is defined as an establishment with paid company personnel.

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**Item 7 OWNERSHIP OR CONTROL**

0014 Name of owning or controlling company

Number and street

City, State, and ZIP Code

0013 1  Yes  No  
2  Yes  No

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b. Did this firm acquire or merge with another company during 2003?

0017 Name of company acquired or merged with

Number and street

City, State, and ZIP Code

0016 1  Yes  No  
2  Yes  No

Date of merger or acquisition 0018 Month Year EIN 0019

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**REMARKS – Please use this space for any explanations that may be helpful in understanding your reported data. For any separate correspondence pertaining to this report, please include the IDENTIFICATION number shown in the address label area or at the top of the page.**

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**Item 9 CERTIFICATION – This report is substantially accurate and has been prepared in accordance with instructions.**

0020	Name of person completing this report – <i>Please print</i>	0024	Title	0025	Date			
0021	Address (Number and street, city, State, ZIP Code)							
0022	Telephone		0023	Fax		0026	E-mail address	
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**Please return the completed form in the enclosed envelope.  
If you prefer, you may fax the completed form to 1-800-447-4613.**

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# SERVICE ANNUAL SURVEY

## INFORMATION SECTOR

### GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Your report should be completed and returned in the preaddressed envelope provided on or before the due date. **If the report does not appear to apply to your kind of business or activity, describe your business or activity in Item 1 and complete the remainder of the form as accurately as possible.**

If filing within the required time frame will cause an undue burden and you would like an extension, or if you have any questions, please write to the

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or call our Census Bureau representative in Jeffersonville, Indiana at 1-800-772-7851, weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., eastern time.

**Always include** your identification number, located in the address label, in any correspondence.

IF BOOK FIGURES ARE NOT AVAILABLE, ESTIMATES ARE ACCEPTABLE.

Please read all instructions before making your entries.

Report data for the calendar year specified. If calendar year records are not available, we will accept fiscal year data. Please note, however, that we prefer estimates for the calendar year to book figures covering a different time period. Report all values in dollars (omit cents). Enter "0" in items where appropriate. Please do not combine data for two or more items.

For location(s) sold or acquired during the year specified, report only for the period that the location(s) were operated by this firm.

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## SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS

### Revenue

Report revenue for all services rendered and any sales of merchandise for the calendar year specified, even though payment may have been received at a later date. **Firms operating on a commission basis should report commissions, fees, and other operating income, not gross billings or sales.**

### Include –

- Total value of service contracts.
- Amounts received for work subcontracted to others.
- Market value of compensation in lieu of cash.
- Revenue from services performed by domestic locations for FOREIGN parent firms, subsidiaries, branches, etc.
- Dues and assessments from members and affiliates.
- Royalties, license fees, and other payments from the marketing of intangible products (e.g., licensing the use of or granting reproduction rights for software, musical compositions, and other intellectual property).

### Exclude –

- Taxes (sales, amusement, occupancy, use, or other) collected directly from customers or clients and paid directly to a local, State, or Federal tax agency.
- Revenue from a domestic parent organization, or from franchise locations owned by others and any franchise or license fees.
- Rents from and revenue of separately operated departments, concessions, etc., which are leased to others.
- Revenue from customers for carrying or other credit charges.
- Commissions from vending machine operators.
- Revenue of foreign subsidiaries (those located outside the U.S., i.e., outside the 50 states, District of Columbia, U.S. Commonwealth Territories, or U.S. Possessions).
- Revenue from the sale of used equipment.
- Installment payments from leasing under capital, finance, or full-payout leases.
- Proceeds from the sale of real estate (land and buildings), investments, or other assets (except inventory held for resale).
- Intracompany transfers.
- Contributions, gift, grants, income from interest, rental of real estate, and dividends.

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**INFORMATION SECTOR**  
**SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS – Continued**

**E-commerce Receipts/Revenue**

(In the following instructions, online refers to any transaction completed over an Internet, extranet, EDI network, electronic mail or other online system.)

***Include –***

- Revenue from online orders for goods or services placed by a buyer.
- Revenue from online services provided where charges are based on the usage of those services (e.g., commissions or fees from use of computerized reservation systems, financial transaction processing systems, etc.)
- Commissions or fees from the trading of securities or the sale of other financial products online (e.g., insurance, loans, etc.).
- Commissions or fees from selling or from facilitating the sale of third party products (e.g., click-through including referral fees) through your company's Web site.
- Revenue from orders or contracts negotiated online with a buyer and seller on the price and terms for transferring ownership or the rights to use goods or services.
- Revenue from telephone transactions using interactive voice response systems.

***Exclude –*** revenue from:

- Online billings where the order or contract was not negotiated online.
- Delivery of services online where the order or contract was not negotiated online.
- Provision of telecommunications and related infrastructure systems (e.g., data transfer, Web hosting, Internet access) where the order or contract for such services was not negotiated online.
- Orders for goods or services placed by facsimile machine or over switched telephone network.