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#### FORM 10-O

x QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the quarterly period ended June 30, 2012

OR

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the transition period from to

Commission File Number: 000-50478

NEXSTAR BROADCASTING GROUP, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware 23-3083125

(State of Incorporation or Organization) (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

5215 N. O'Connor Blvd., Suite 1400, Irving,

Texas 75039

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(972) 373-8800

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant: (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that it was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes x No "

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes x No "

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting

Large accelerated filer		Accelerated filer	x
Non-accelerated filer		Smaller reporting company	
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company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (check one):

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes " No x

As of August 1, 2012, the registrant had 15,511,131 shares of Class A Common Stock and 13,411,588 shares of Class B Common Stock outstanding.

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# PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

## ITEM 1. Financial Statements

# NEXSTAR BROADCASTING GROUP, INC.

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(in thousands, except share information, unaudited)

ASSETS	June 30, 2012	December 31, 2011
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$12,478	\$7,546
Accounts receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$1,506 and \$1,313,		
respectively	66,496	71,279
Current portion of broadcast rights	8,755	16,290
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	1,167	1,734
Total current assets	88,896	96,849
Property and equipment, net	140,890	146,613
Broadcast rights	5,762	9,351
Goodwill	112,575	112,575
FCC licenses	119,569	119,569
FCC licenses of Mission	21,939	21,939
Other intangible assets, net	70,404	81,519
Other noncurrent assets, net	6,314	6,619
Total assets	\$566,349	\$595,034
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' DEFICIT		
Current liabilities:		
Current portion of debt	\$1,500	\$1,500
Current portion of broadcast rights payable	7,910	13,534
Accounts payable	9,317	9,175
Accrued expenses	12,545	13,223
Taxes payable	202	402
Interest payable	9,831	10,868
Deferred revenue	2,720	2,196
Other liabilities of Mission	3,524	5,201
Other liabilities	1,131	1,131
Total current liabilities	48,680	57,230
Debt	607,796	638,861
Broadcast rights payable	5,209	8,435
Deferred tax liabilities	42,540	40,278
Deferred revenue	338	428
Deferred gain on sale of assets	1,880	1,999
Deferred representation fee incentive	3,985	4,345
Other liabilities of Mission	18,397	18,729
Other liabilities	8,107	8,133
Total liabilities	736,932	778,438
Commitments and contingencies		
Stockholders' deficit:		
	-	-

Preferred stock - \$0.01 par value, 200,000 shares authorized; none issued and outstanding						
at each of June 30, 2012 and December 31, 2011						
Class A Common stock - \$0.01 par value, 100,000,000 shares authorized; 15,511,131 and	d					
15,387,131 shares issued and outstanding at June 30, 2012 and December 31, 2011,						
respectively	155	154				
Class B Common stock - \$0.01 par value, 20,000,000 shares authorized; 13,411,588						
shares issued and outstanding at each of June 30, 2012 and December 31, 2011	134	134				
Class C Common stock - \$0.01 par value, 5,000,000 shares authorized; none issued and						
outstanding at each of June 30, 2012 and December 31, 2011	-	-				
Additional paid-in capital	407,640	406,654				
Accumulated deficit	(578,512	) (590,346 )				
Total stockholders' deficit	(170,583	) (183,404)				
Total liabilities and stockholders' deficit	\$566,349	\$595,034				

The accompanying Notes are an integral part of these Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

# NEXSTAR BROADCASTING GROUP, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

(in thousands, except per share amounts, unaudited)

		Months Ended ane 30,		onths Ended une 30,
	2012	2011	2012	2011
Net revenue	\$88,864	\$75,505	\$172,506	\$145,450
Operating expenses (income):				
Direct operating expenses, excluding depreciation and				
amortization	21,852	19,705	43,980	38,808
Selling, general, and administrative expenses, excluding				
depreciation and amortization	27,133	24,955	54,261	49,967
Amortization of broadcast rights	5,192	5,262	10,740	10,849
Amortization of intangible assets	5,511	7,359	11,115	13,198
Depreciation	5,715	5,205	11,463	10,435
(Gain) loss on asset disposal, net	(2	) 94	(21	) 102
Total operating expenses	65,401	62,580	131,538	123,359
Income from operations	23,463	12,925	40,968	22,091
Interest expense, net	(12,574	) (13,308	) (25,483	) (27,013 )
Loss on extinguishment of debt	(497	) (808	) (497	) (1,155 )
Income (loss) before income taxes	10,392	(1,191	) 14,988	(6,077)
Income tax expense	(1,574	) (1,393	) (3,154	) (2,819 )
Net income (loss)	\$8,818	\$(2,584	) \$11,834	\$(8,896)
Net income (loss) per common share:				
Basic	\$0.31	\$(0.09	) \$0.41	\$(0.31)
Diluted	\$0.29	\$(0.09	) \$0.39	\$(0.31)
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding:				
Basic	28,875	28,452	28,841	28,451
Diluted	30,341	28,452	30,490	28,451

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# NEXSTAR BROADCASTING GROUP, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN STOCKHOLDERS' DEFICIT For the Six Months Ended June 30, 2012

(in thousands, except share information, unaudited)

			C	ommon Sto	ck		Additional		Total
	Preferred								
	Stock	Class	A	Class	В	Class C	Paid-In	Accumulated	Stockholders'
	Share&mount	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount	Share&moun	t Capital	Deficit	Deficit
Balance as of									
December 31,									
2011	- \$ - 1:	5,387,131	\$ 154	13,411,588	\$ 134	- \$ -	\$ 406,654	\$ (590,346)	\$ (183,404)
Stock-based									
compensation									
expense		-	-	-	-		428	-	428
Exercise of									
stock options		124,000	1	-	-		558	-	559
Net income		-	-	-	-		-	11,834	11,834
Balance as of									
June 30, 2012	- \$ - 1:	5,511,131	\$ 155	13,411,588	\$ 134	- \$ -	\$ 407,640	\$ (578,512)	\$ (170,583)

The accompanying Notes are an integral part of these Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

# NEXSTAR BROADCASTING GROUP, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (in thousands, unaudited)

		s Ended 30,		
	2012		2011	
Cash flows from operating activities:				
Net income (loss)	\$11,834		\$(8,896	)
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided by operating activities:				
Deferred income taxes	2,867		2,558	
Provision for bad debts	996		1,155	
Depreciation of property and equipment	11,463		10,435	
Amortization of intangible assets	11,115		13,198	
Amortization of debt financing costs	840		868	
Amortization of broadcast rights, excluding barter	4,173		4,409	
Payments for broadcast rights	(4,513	)	(4,759	)
Payment-in-kind interest accrued to debt	-		21	
(Gain) loss on asset disposal, net	(21	)	102	
Loss on extinguishment of debt	497		1,155	
Premium on debt extinguishment, net	-		(254	)
PIK interest paid upon debt extinguishment	-		(215	)
Issue discount paid upon debt extinguishment	(1,190	)	(3,126	)
Deferred gain recognition	(218	)	(218	)
Amortization of debt discount	689		1,059	
Amortization of deferred representation fee incentive	(360	)	(309	)
Stock-based compensation expense	428		573	
Changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of acquisitions:				
Accounts receivable	3,787		3,282	
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	566		1,176	
Other noncurrent assets	84		(18	)
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	(152	)	(139	)
Taxes payable	(200	)	(205	)
Interest payable	(1,037	)	1,573	
Deferred revenue	434		(714	)
Other liabilities of Mission	112		(203	)
Other noncurrent liabilities	203		(288	)
Net cash provided by operating activities	42,397		22,220	
Cash flows from investing activities:				
Purchases of property and equipment	(7,198	)	(6,952	)
Proceeds from disposals of property and equipment	34		30	
Escrow payment on station acquisition	-		(1,000	)
Net cash used in investing activities	(7,164	)	(7,922	)
Cash flows from financing activities:			,	
Repayments of long-term debt	(68,360	)	(74,957	)
Payments for debt financing costs	-		(533	)
Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt	37,500		50,000	
Proceeds from exercise of stock options	559		67	

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Net cash used in financing activities	(30,301	) (25,423 )
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	4,932	(11,125)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	7,546	23,658
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$12,478	\$12,533
Supplemental information:		
Interest paid	\$26,131	\$26,736
Income taxes paid, net	\$522	\$499
Non-cash investing and financing activities:		
Accrued debt financing costs	\$-	\$30
Accrued purchases of property and equipment	\$1,140	\$1,143
Purchases of property and equipment through trade	\$134	\$290
Entry into capital leases for property and equipment	\$229	\$-

The accompanying Notes are an integral part of these Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

# NEXSTAR BROADCASTING GROUP, INC. NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### 1. Organization and Business Operations

As of June 30, 2012, Nexstar Broadcasting Group, Inc. ("Nexstar") owned, operated, programmed or provided sales and other services to 55 television stations and 11 digital multi-cast channels, including those owned by Mission Broadcasting, Inc. ("Mission"), in 32 markets in the states of Illinois, Indiana, Maryland, Missouri, Montana, Texas, Pennsylvania, Louisiana, Arkansas, Alabama, New York, Florida, Wisconsin and Michigan. The stations are affiliates of NBC (12 stations), CBS (11 stations), ABC (11 stations), FOX (11 stations), MyNetworkTV (5 stations and one digital multi-cast channel), The CW (2 stations), and Bounce TV (10 digital multi-cast channels) and three are independent. Through various local service agreements, Nexstar provided sales, programming and other services to 19 stations and four digital multi-cast channels owned and/or operated by independent third parties. Nexstar operates in one reportable television broadcasting segment. The economic characteristics, services, production process, customer type and distribution methods for Nexstar's operations are substantially similar and are therefore aggregated as a single reportable segment.

## 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

# Principles of Consolidation

The Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements include the accounts of Nexstar and its subsidiaries. Also included in the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements are the accounts of the independently-owned variable interest entity ("VIE"), Mission (Nexstar and Mission are collectively referred to as the "Company"). Where the assets of Mission are not available to be used to settle the obligations of Nexstar, they are presented as the assets of Mission on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets. Conversely, where the creditors of Mission do not have recourse to the general credit of Nexstar, the related liabilities are presented as the liabilities of Mission on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets. Nexstar management evaluates each arrangement that may include variable interests and determines the need to consolidate an entity where it determines Nexstar is the primary beneficiary of a VIE in accordance with related authoritative literature and interpretive guidance.

All intercompany account balances and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

### Liquidity

Nexstar is highly leveraged, which makes it vulnerable to changes in general economic conditions. Nexstar's ability to repay or refinance its debt will depend on, among other things, financial, business, market, competitive and other conditions, many of which are beyond Nexstar's control.

#### **Interim Financial Statements**

The Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements as of June 30, 2012 and for the three and six months ended June 30, 2012 and 2011 are unaudited. However, in the opinion of management, such financial statements include all adjustments (consisting solely of normal recurring adjustments) necessary for the fair statement of the financial information included herein in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("U.S. GAAP") and pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"). The preparation of the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and the

disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Results of operations for interim periods are not necessarily indicative of results for the full year. These Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements should be read in conjunction with the Consolidated Financial Statements and related Notes included in Nexstar's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011. The balance sheet as of December 31, 2011 has been derived from the audited financial statements as of that date, but does not include all of the information and footnotes required by U.S. GAAP for complete financial statements.

#### Mission

Mission is included in these Consolidated Financial Statements because Nexstar is deemed under U.S. GAAP to have a controlling financial interest in Mission as a VIE for financial reporting purposes as a result of (1) local service agreements Nexstar has with the Mission stations, (2) Nexstar's guarantee of the obligations incurred under Mission's senior secured credit facility (see Note 5), (3) Nexstar having power over significant activities affecting Mission's economic performance, including budgeting for advertising revenue, advertising and hiring and firing of sales force personnel and (4) purchase options granted by Mission which permit Nexstar to acquire the assets and assume the liabilities of each Mission station, subject to Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") consent. The purchase options are freely exercisable or assignable by Nexstar without consent or approval by Mission for consideration equal to the greater of (1) seven times the station's cash flow, as defined in the option agreement, less the amount of its indebtedness, as defined in the option agreement, or (2) the amount of its indebtedness. Additionally, on November 29, 2011, Mission granted Nexstar an option to purchase any or all of Mission's stock, subject to FCC consent, for a price equal to the pro rata portion of the greater of (1) five times the stations' cash flow, as defined in the agreement, reduced by the amount of indebtedness, as defined in the agreement, or (2) \$100,000. These option agreements (which expire on various dates between 2012 and 2022) are freely exercisable or assignable by Nexstar without consent or approval by Mission. The Company expects these option agreements to be renewed upon expiration. As of June 30, 2012, the assets of Mission consisted of current assets of \$4.5 million (excluding broadcast rights and amounts due from Nexstar), broadcast rights of \$2.9 million, FCC licenses of \$21.9 million, goodwill of \$18.7 million, other intangible assets of \$12.7 million, property and equipment of \$22.8 million and other noncurrent assets of \$1.1 million. Substantially all of Mission's assets, except for its FCC licenses, collateralize its secured debt obligation. See Note 10 for a presentation of condensed consolidating financial information of the Company, which includes the accounts of Mission.

Nexstar has entered into local service agreements with Mission to provide sales and operating services to the Mission stations. The following table summarizes the various local service agreements Nexstar had in effect with Mission as of June 30, 2012:

Service Agreements Mission Stations TBA Only(1) WFXP and KHMT

SSA & JSA(2) KJTL, KJBO-LP, KOLR, KCIT, KCPN-LP, KAMC, KRBC, KSAN, WUTR, WAWV, WYOU, KODE, WTVO, KTVE and WTVW

- (1) Nexstar has a time brokerage agreement ("TBA") with each of these stations which allows Nexstar to program most of each station's broadcast time, sell each station's advertising time and retain the advertising revenue generated in exchange for monthly payments to Mission.
- (2) Nexstar has both a shared services agreement ("SSA") and a joint sales agreement ("JSA") with each of these stations. Each SSA allows the Nexstar station in the market to provide services including news production, technical maintenance and security, in exchange for Nexstar's right to receive certain payments from Mission as described in the SSAs. Each JSA permits Nexstar to sell the station's advertising time and retain a percentage of the net revenue from the station's advertising time in return for monthly payments to Mission of the remaining percentage of net revenue as described in the JSAs.

Nexstar's ability to receive cash from Mission is governed by these local service agreements. Under the local service agreements, Nexstar has received substantially all of Mission's available cash, after satisfaction of operating costs and debt obligations. Nexstar anticipates it will continue to receive substantially all of Mission's available cash, after satisfaction of operating costs and debt obligations. In compliance with FCC regulations for both Nexstar and Mission, Mission maintains complete responsibility for and control over programming, finances, personnel and

operations of its stations.

#### Variable Interest Entities

The Company may determine that a station is a VIE as a result of local service agreements entered into with the owner-operator of the station. The term local service agreements generally refers to a contract between two separately owned television stations serving the same market, whereby the owner-operator of one station contracts with the owner-operator of the other station to provide it with administrative, sales and other services required for the operation of its station. Nevertheless, the owner-operator of each station retains control and responsibility for the operation of its station, including ultimate responsibility over all programming broadcast on its station. In addition to those with Mission, Nexstar has VIEs in connection with local service agreements entered into with stations as discussed below.

Nexstar has determined that it has variable interests in WYZZ, the FOX affiliate in Peoria, Illinois and WUHF, the FOX affiliate in Rochester, New York, each owned by a subsidiary of Sinclair Broadcast Group, Inc. ("Sinclair"), as a result of outsourcing agreements it has entered into with Sinclair. Nexstar also has determined that it has a variable interest in WHP, the CBS affiliate in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, which is owned by Newport Television License LLC ("Newport"), as a result of Nexstar becoming successor-in-interest to a TBA entered into by a former owner of WLYH. Nexstar has evaluated its arrangements with Sinclair and Newport and has determined that it is not the primary beneficiary of the variable interests because it does not have the ultimate power to direct the activities that most significantly impact the economic performance of the stations, including developing the annual operating budget, programming and oversight and control of sales management personnel. Therefore, Nexstar has not consolidated these stations under authoritative guidance related to the consolidation of variable interest entities. Under the outsourcing agreements with Sinclair, Nexstar pays for certain operating expenses of WYZZ and WUHF, and therefore may have unlimited exposure to any potential operating losses. Nexstar's management believes that Nexstar's minimum exposure to loss under the Sinclair outsourcing agreements consists of the fees paid to Sinclair. Additionally, Nexstar indemnifies the owners of WHP, WYZZ and WUHF from and against all liability and claims arising out of or resulting from its activities, acts or omissions in connection with the agreements. The maximum potential amount of future payments Nexstar could be required to make for such indemnification is undeterminable at this time. Nexstar made payments to Sinclair under the outsourcing agreements of \$1.2 million and \$1.6 million for the three months ended June 30, 2012 and 2011, respectively and \$2.5 million and \$2.7 million for the six months then ended. Nexstar has a balance due to Sinclair for fees under these arrangements in the amount of \$1.2 million and \$0.7 million as of June 30, 2012 and December 31, 2011, respectively. Nexstar also has receivables in the amount of \$2.4 million and \$2.7 million as of June 30, 2012 and December 31, 2011, respectively, for advertising aired on these two stations.

Nexstar has also determined that it had a variable interest in Four Points Media Group Holdings, LLC ("Four Points") due to a management services agreement between the two companies. Four Points owned and operated seven individual stations in four markets. Under this agreement, Nexstar managed the stations for Four Points but did not have ultimate control over the policies or operations of the stations. Nexstar had evaluated the business arrangement with Four Points and concluded that Nexstar was not the primary beneficiary of the variable interest because it did not have the ultimate power to direct the activities that most significantly impacted the economic performance of the stations, including developing the annual operating budget, setting advertising rates, programming and oversight and control of employees responsible for carrying out business activities of the stations. Therefore, Nexstar did not consolidate Four Points' financial results into its own. In September 2011, Four Points entered into a definitive agreement to sell its stations to Sinclair. The sale closed on January 3, 2012, terminating the management services agreement, whereby Nexstar received a payment of \$6.7 million, including the outstanding accounts receivable balance of \$4.8 million and a contract termination fee of \$1.9 million recorded in net revenue. As of June 30, 2012, all amounts due from Four Points had been received.

#### **Financial Instruments**

The Company utilizes the following categories to classify the valuation methodologies for fair values of financial assets and liabilities:

Level 1: Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets that are accessible at the measurement date for identical, unrestricted assets or liabilities;

Level 2: Quoted prices in markets that are not active, or inputs which are observable, either directly or indirectly, for substantially the full term of the asset or liability;

Level 3: Prices or valuation techniques that require inputs that are both significant to the fair value measurement and unobservable (i.e., supported by little or no market activity).

The Company invests in short-term interest bearing obligations with original maturities less than 90 days, primarily money market funds. The Company does not enter into investments for trading or speculative purposes. As of each of June 30, 2012 and December 31, 2011, the Company had \$0.1 million invested in money market investments, which are carried at fair value. The Company has determined the fair value of the money market investment using methods that fall within Level 1 in the fair value hierarchy.

The carrying amount of cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, broadcast rights payable, accounts payable and accrued expenses approximates fair value due to their short-term nature. See Note 5 for fair value disclosures related to the Company's debt.

### Income (Loss) Per Share

Basic income (loss) per share is computed by dividing the net income (loss) by the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding during the period. Diluted income (loss) per share is computed using the weighted-average number of common shares and potentially dilutive common shares outstanding during the period. Potentially dilutive common shares are calculated using the treasury stock method. They consist of stock options outstanding during the period and reflect the potential dilution that could occur if common stock were issued upon exercise of stock options. The following table shows the amounts used in computing the Company's diluted shares for the three and six months ended June 30, 2012 and 2011 (in thousands):

	Three Mo	onths Ended	Six Mo	nths Ended	
	Jur	ne 30,	June 30,		
	2012	2011	2012	2011	
Weighted average shares outstanding - basic	28,875	28,452	28,841	28,451	
Effect of dilutive stock options	1,466	-	1,649	-	
Weighted average shares outstanding - diluted	30,341	28,452	30,490	28,451	

The Company reported a net loss for the three and six months ended June 30, 2011 and stock options with potentially dilutive effect were excluded from the diluted shares calculation as the effect would have been anti-dilutive. During the three and six months ended June 30, 2012 and 2011, the following weighted average options were outstanding (in thousands):

		onths Ended ne 30,		nths Ended ne 30,
	2012	2011	2012	2011
Options with a potentially dilutive effect	3,582	3,679	3,619	3,392
Out-of-the-money and other anti-dilutive options	105	105	105	392
Total weighted average options outstanding	3,687	3,784	3,724	3,784

#### **Basis of Presentation**

Certain prior year financial statement amounts have been reclassified to conform to the current year presentation. These reclassifications had no effect on net income (loss) or stockholders' deficit as previously reported.

#### Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In May 2011, the FASB issued ASU No. 2011-04, Fair Value Measurement (Topic 820): Amendments to Achieve Common Fair Value Measurements and Disclosure Requirements in U.S. GAAP and IFRSs ("ASU 2011-04"). ASU 2011-04 clarifies certain topics regarding fair value measurement and adds some disclosures for fair value measurements. The update was effective for the Company beginning on January 1, 2012. The implementation of this standard did not have a material impact on the Company's financial position or results of operations.

In September 2011, the FASB issued ASU No. 2011-08, Testing Goodwill for Impairment (Topic 350) ("ASU 2011-08"). ASU 2011-08 allows companies to first assess qualitative factors to determine whether it is more likely than not that the fair value of a reporting unit is less than its carrying amount as a basis for determining whether it is necessary to perform the annual two-step goodwill impairment test. The update is effective for the Company's goodwill impairment testing performed in the fourth quarter of 2012, but early adoption is permitted. The Company

does not expect the implementation of this standard to have a material impact on its financial position or results of operations.

In July 2012, the FASB issued ASU No. 2012-02, Testing Indefinite-Lived Intangible Assets for Impairment (Topic 350) ("ASU 2012-02"). ASU 2012-02 allows companies to first assess qualitative factors to determine whether it is more likely than not that the intangible asset is impaired as a basis for determining whether it is necessary to perform the annual quantitative indefinite-lived intangible asset impairment test. The update is effective for the Company's indefinite-lived intangible asset impairment testing performed in the fourth quarter of 2013, but early adoption is permitted. The Company does not expect the implementation of this standard to have a material impact on its financial position or results of operations.

# 3. Intangible Assets and Goodwill

Intangible assets subject to amortization consisted of the following (in thousands):

	Estimated useful	l		Jun	e 30, 2012		Ι	Decen	nber 31, 2011	
	life, in years		Gross		ccumulated nortization	Net	Gross		ecumulated nortization	Net
Network affiliation	·									
agreements	15	\$	326,567	\$	(258,241)	\$ 68,326	\$ 326,567	\$	(247,725)	\$ 78,842
Other definite-lived										
intangible assets	1-15		14,521		(12,443)	2,078	14,521		(11,844)	2,677
Other intangible assets		\$	341,088	\$	(270,684)	\$ 70,404	\$ 341,088	\$	(259,569)	\$ 81,519

The following table presents the Company's estimate of amortization expense for the remainder of 2012, each of the five succeeding years ended December 31 and thereafter for definite-lived intangible assets as of June 30, 2012 (in thousands):

Remainder of 2012	\$ 10,886
2013	16,912
2014	10,844
2015	9,457
2016	5,699
2017	5,431
Thereafter	11,175

The amounts recorded to goodwill and FCC licenses were as follows (in thousands):

	Gross	Goodwill Accumulated Impairment	Net	Gross	FCC Licenses Accumulated Impairment Net	
Balance as of December 31,						
2011	\$158,791	\$(46,216)	\$112,575	\$191,710	\$(50,202) \$141,508	3
Balance as of June 30, 2012	\$158,791	\$(46,216)	\$112,575	\$191,710	\$(50,202) \$141,508	3

The Company expenses as incurred any costs to renew or extend its FCC licenses. Indefinite-lived intangible assets are not subject to amortization, but are tested for impairment annually or whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that such assets might be impaired. As of June 30, 2012, the Company did not identify any events that would trigger an impairment assessment.

### 4. Accrued Expenses

Accrued expenses consisted of the following (in thousands):

	June 30, 2012	December 31, 2011
Compensation and related taxes	\$5,891	\$5,676
Sales commissions	1,565	1,547
Employee benefits	1,000	977
Property taxes	909	699
Other accruals related to operating expenses	3,180	4,324
	\$12,545	\$13,223

5. Debt

Long-term debt consisted of the following (in thousands):

		December
	June 30,	31,
	2012	2011
Term loans	\$147,375	\$148,125
Revolving loans	27,000	24,300
8.875% Senior secured second lien notes due 2017, net of discount of \$6,142 and \$6,638	318,858	318,362
7% Senior subordinated notes due 2014, net of discount of \$31 and \$396	3,881	37,516
7% Senior subordinated PIK notes due 2014, net of discount of \$411 and \$535	112,182	112,058
	609,296	640,361
Less: current portion	(1,500	) (1,500 )
	\$607,796	\$638,861

#### 2012 Transactions

During the six months ended June 30, 2012, Nexstar borrowed a net amount of \$3.4 million and Mission repaid \$0.7 million on the Company's revolving loans under its senior secured credit facilities resulting in a consolidated revolving loan balance of \$27.0 million as of June 30, 2012.

On May 11, 2012, Nexstar redeemed \$34.0 million of its outstanding 7% Notes at 100.0%. As a result of the redemption, Nexstar recorded approximately \$0.5 million of loss on extinguishment of debt related to this transaction. Nexstar funded the redemption of the notes from a combination of cash on hand and borrowings under its revolving credit facility.

In March and June 2012, Nexstar and Mission each paid the contractual maturities under their senior secured credit facilities, for a total payment of \$0.8 million.

#### Unused Commitments and Borrowing Availability

Nexstar and Mission had \$48.0 million of total unused revolving loan commitments under their respective senior secured credit facilities, all of which was available for borrowing, based on the covenant calculations as of June 30, 2012. The Company's ability to access funds under its senior secured credit facilities depends, in part, on its compliance with certain financial covenants.

#### **Debt Covenants**

The Nexstar senior secured credit facility agreement contains covenants which require the Company to comply with certain financial covenant ratios, including (1) a maximum consolidated total leverage ratio of Nexstar Broadcasting and Mission of 7.50 to 1.00 at June 30, 2012, (2) a maximum consolidated first lien indebtedness ratio of 2.50 to 1.00 at any time and (3) a minimum consolidated fixed charge coverage ratio of 1.10 to 1.00 at any time. The covenants, which are formally calculated on a quarterly basis, are based on the combined results of Nexstar Broadcasting and Mission. Mission's senior secured credit agreement does not contain financial covenant ratio requirements, but does provide for default in the event Nexstar does not comply with all covenants contained in its senior secured credit facility agreement. As of June 30, 2012, the Company was in compliance with all of its covenants.

#### Collateralization and Guarantees of Debt

Nexstar and Mission's senior secured credit facilities are collateralized by a security interest in substantially all the combined assets, excluding FCC licenses, of Nexstar and Mission. Nexstar and its subsidiaries guarantee full payment of all obligations incurred under the Mission senior secured credit facility in the event of Mission's default. Similarly, Mission is a guarantor of the Nexstar senior secured credit facility and the senior subordinated notes issued by Nexstar.

#### Fair Value of Debt

The aggregate carrying amounts and estimated fair values of the Company's debt were as follows (in thousands):

	June 3	June 30, 2012		er 31, 2011
	Carrying	Fair	Carrying	Fair
	Amount	Value	Amount	Value
Term loans(1)	\$147,375	\$146,334	\$148,125	\$146,430
Revolving loans(1)	27,000	26,926	24,300	24,171
8.875% Senior secured second lien notes(2)	318,858	344,906	318,362	321,750
7% Senior subordinated notes(2)	3,881	3,858	37,516	37,154
7% Senior subordinated PIK notes(2)	112,182	111,045	112,058	110,341

- (1) The fair value of senior secured credit facilities is computed based on borrowing rates currently available to Nexstar and Mission for bank loans with similar terms and average maturities. These fair value measurements are considered Level 3 (significant and unobservable).
- (2) The fair value of Nexstar's fixed rate debt is estimated based on bid prices obtained from an investment banking firm that regularly makes a market for these financial instruments. These fair value measurements are considered Level 2 (significant and observable).

#### 6. Contract Termination

On March 31, 2008, Nexstar signed a ten year agreement for national sales representation with two units of Katz Television Group, a subsidiary of Katz Media Group ("Katz"), transferring 24 stations in 14 of its markets from Petry Television Inc. ("Petry") and Blair Television Inc. ("Blair"). Nexstar, Blair, Petry and Katz entered into a termination and mutual release agreement under which Blair agreed to release Nexstar from its future contractual obligations in exchange for payments totaling \$8.0 million. Katz is making the payments on behalf of Nexstar as an inducement for Nexstar to enter into the long-term contract with Katz. A liability of \$7.2 million, representing the present value of the payments Katz is making to Blair, was recorded and is being recognized as a non-cash reduction to operating expenses over the term of the agreement with Katz. Effective May 1, 2009, Nexstar signed another agreement to transfer the remaining Nexstar stations to Katz and its related companies. Moving these contracts resulted in Nexstar cancelling multiple contracts with Blair. As a result, Blair sued the Company for additional termination fees. Katz indemnified the Company for all expenses related to the settlement and defense of this lawsuit. The lawsuit was settled effective May 7, 2010. Termination of these contracts resulted in an additional liability of \$0.2 million, which is being recognized over the remaining contract term with Katz.

As of June 30, 2012, \$0.7 million of this liability was included in other current liabilities and \$4.0 million was included in deferred representation fee incentive in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet. The Company recognized \$0.2 million of these incentives as a reduction in selling, general and administrative expense for each of the three months ended June 30, 2012 and 2011 and \$0.4 million for each of the six months then ended.

#### 7. Income Taxes

The Company's provision for income taxes is primarily comprised of deferred income taxes resulting from the amortization of goodwill and other indefinite-lived intangible assets for income tax purposes which are not amortized for financial reporting purposes. No benefit has been recognized for the Company's taxable losses for the three and six months ended June 30, 2012 and 2011 as the utilization of such losses is not more likely than not to be realized in the foreseeable future.

The deferred tax liabilities related to goodwill and other indefinite-lived intangible assets do not reverse on a scheduled basis and are not used to support the realization of deferred tax assets. The Company's deferred tax assets before valuation allowance primarily result from federal and state net operating loss carryforwards ("NOLs"). The Company's NOLs are available to reduce future taxable income if utilized before their expiration. The Company has provided a valuation allowance for certain deferred tax assets as it does not believe they are more likely than not to be realized through future taxable earnings.

# 8. FCC Regulatory Matters

Television broadcasting is subject to the jurisdiction of the FCC under the Communications Act of 1934, as amended (the "Communications Act"). The Communications Act prohibits the operation of television broadcasting stations except under a license issued by the FCC, and empowers the FCC, among other things, to issue, revoke, and modify broadcasting licenses, determine the location of television stations, regulate the equipment used by television stations, adopt regulations to carry out the provisions of the Communications Act and impose penalties for the violation of such regulations. The FCC's ongoing rule making proceedings could have a significant future impact on the television industry and on the operation of the Company's stations and the stations to which it provides services. In addition, the U.S. Congress may act to amend the Communications Act or adopt other legislation in a manner that could impact the Company's stations, the stations to which it provides services and the television broadcast industry in general.

The FCC has adopted rules with respect to the final conversion of existing low power and television translator stations to digital operations. The FCC has established a September 1, 2015 deadline by which low power and television translator stations must cease analog operations, and low power and television translator stations operating on channels 52-69 were required to cease operation on those channels by December 31, 2011. The Company has transitioned its television translator operations on channels 52-69 to digital operations and will transition its remaining low power and television translator stations to digital operations prior to September 1, 2015.

#### Media Ownership

In 2006, the FCC initiated a rulemaking proceeding to review all of its media ownership rules, as required by the Communications Act. The FCC considered rules relating to ownership of two or more TV stations in a market, ownership of local TV and radio stations by daily newspapers in the same market, cross-ownership of local TV and radio stations, and changes to how the national TV ownership limits are calculated. In February 2008, the FCC adopted modest changes to its newspaper/broadcast cross-ownership rule while retaining the rest of its ownership rules then currently in effect. On July 7, 2011, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit vacated the FCC's changes to its newspaper/ broadcast cross-ownership rule while upholding the FCC's retention of its other media ownership rules. In June 2012, the Supreme Court denied various petitions for Supreme Court review of the Third Circuit's decision.

The FCC is required to review its media ownership rules every four years and to eliminate those rules it finds no longer serve the "public interest, convenience and necessity." During 2009, the FCC held a series of hearings designed to evaluate possible changes to its rules. In May 2010, the FCC formally initiated its 2010 review of its media ownership rules with the issuance of a Notice of Inquiry (NOI). Numerous parties filed comments and reply comments in response to the NOI. In June and July 2011, the FCC released to the public eleven economic studies related to its media ownership rules. In December 2011, the FCC issued a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) to seek comment on specific proposed changes to its ownership rules. Among the specific changes proposed in the NPRM are (1) elimination of the contour overlap provision of the local television ownership rule (making the rule entirely DMA-based), (2) elimination of the radio/television cross-ownership rule, and (3) modest relaxation of the newspaper/broadcast cross-ownership rule along the lines of the changes in the 2006 proceeding that the court vacated. The NPRM also seeks comment on shared services agreements (SSAs) and other joint operating arrangements between television stations, and whether such agreements should be considered attributable. Comments and reply comments on the NPRM were filed in March and April 2012. The Company cannot predict what rules the FCC will adopt or when they will be adopted.

#### Spectrum

The FCC has initiated various proceedings to assess the availability of spectrum to meet future wireless broadband needs. The FCC's March 2010 "National Broadband Plan" recommends the reallocation of 120 megahertz of the spectrum currently used for broadcast television for wireless broadband use. The FCC has thus far adopted rules permitting television stations to share a single 6 megahertz channel and requested comment on proposals that include, among other things, whether to add new frequency allocations in the television bands for licensed fixed and mobile wireless uses and whether to implement technical rule modifications to improve the viability of certain channels that are underutilized by digital television stations. In February 2012, Congress adopted legislation authorizing the FCC to conduct an incentive auction whereby television broadcasters could voluntarily relinquish all or part of their spectrum in exchange for consideration. A reallocation of television spectrum for wireless broadband use would likely involve a "repacking" of the television broadcast band, which would require some television stations to change channel or otherwise modify their technical facilities. Future steps to reallocate television spectrum to broadband use may be to the detriment of the Company's investment in digital facilities, could require substantial additional investment to continue current operations, and may require viewers to invest in additional equipment or subscription services to continue receiving broadcast television signals. The Company cannot predict the timing or results of television spectrum reallocation efforts or their impact to its business.

#### **Retransmission Consent**

On March 3, 2011, the FCC initiated a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking to reexamine its rules (i) governing the requirements for good faith negotiations between multichannel video program distributors (MVPDs) and broadcasters, including implementing a prohibition on one station negotiating retransmission consent terms for another station under a local service agreement; (ii) for providing advance notice to consumers in the event of dispute; and (iii) to extend certain cable-only obligations to all MVPDs. The FCC has also asked for comment on eliminating the network non-duplication and syndicated exclusivity protection rules, which may permit MVPDs to import out-of-market television stations during a retransmission consent dispute. If the FCC prohibits joint negotiations or modifies the network non-duplication and syndicated exclusivity protection rules, such changes likely would affect the Company's ability to sustain its current level of retransmission consent revenues or grow such revenues in the future and could have an adverse effect on the Company's business, financial condition and results of operations. The Company cannot predict the resolution of the proposals or their impact to its business.

## 9. Commitments and Contingencies

#### Guarantee of Mission Debt

Nexstar and its subsidiaries guarantee full payment of all obligations incurred under Mission's senior secured credit facility. In the event that Mission is unable to repay amounts due, Nexstar will be obligated to repay such amounts. The maximum potential amount of future payments that Nexstar would be required to make under this guarantee would be generally limited to the amount of borrowings outstanding. As of June 30, 2012, Mission had a maximum commitment of \$48.2 million under its senior secured credit facility, of which \$44.2 million of debt was outstanding.

#### **Indemnification Obligations**

In connection with certain agreements into which the Company enters in the normal course of its business, including local service agreements, business acquisitions and borrowing arrangements, the Company enters into contractual arrangements under which the Company agrees to indemnify the other party to such arrangement from losses, claims and damages incurred by the indemnified party for certain events as defined within the particular contract. Such indemnification obligations may not be subject to maximum loss clauses and the maximum potential amount of future

payments the Company could be required to make under these indemnification arrangements may be unlimited. Historically, payments made related to these indemnifications have been immaterial and the Company has not incurred significant costs to defend lawsuits or settle claims related to these indemnification agreements.

# Litigation

From time to time, the Company is involved with claims that arise out of the normal course of its business. In the opinion of management, any resulting liability with respect to these claims would not have a material adverse effect on the Company's financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

#### Condensed Consolidating Financial Information

The following condensed consolidating financial information presents the financial position, results of operations and cash flows of the Company, each of its 100%, directly or indirectly, owned subsidiaries and its consolidated VIE. This information is presented in lieu of separate financial statements and other related disclosures pursuant to Regulation S-X Rule 3-10 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, "Financial Statements of Guarantors and Issuers of Guaranteed Securities Registered or Being Registered."

The Nexstar column presents the parent company's financial information (not including any subsidiaries). Nexstar owns, directly and indirectly, 100% of two subsidiaries, Nexstar Finance Holdings, Inc. ("Nexstar Holdings") and Nexstar Broadcasting, Inc. ("Nexstar Broadcasting"). The Nexstar Holdings column presents its financial information (not including any subsidiaries). The Nexstar Broadcasting column presents its financial information. The Mission column presents the financial information of Mission, an entity which Nexstar Broadcasting is required to consolidate as a VIE (see Note 2). Neither Mission nor Nexstar Broadcasting has any subsidiaries.

As discussed in Note 3 to the Company's Financial Statements included in its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011, the acquisition of WTVW by Mission was deemed under U.S. GAAP to be a change in reporting entity of Mission, thus the historical results of Mission have been presented as if WTVW was owned and operated by Mission as of the earliest period presented.

Nexstar Broadcasting has the following notes outstanding (See Note 5):

- (a) 7% Senior subordinated notes ("7% Notes"). The 7% Notes are fully and unconditionally guaranteed by Nexstar and Mission, subject to certain customary release provisions. These notes are not guaranteed by any other entities.
- (b) 7% Senior subordinated PIK notes ("7% PIK Notes"). The 7% PIK Notes are fully and unconditionally guaranteed by Nexstar and Mission, subject to certain customary release provisions. These notes are not guaranteed by any other entities.
- (c) 8.875% Senior secured second lien notes ("8.875% Notes"). The 8.875% Notes are co-issued by Nexstar Broadcasting and Mission, jointly and severally, and fully and unconditionally guaranteed by Nexstar and all of Nexstar Broadcasting's and Mission's future 100% owned domestic subsidiaries, subject to certain customary release provisions. The net proceeds to Mission and Nexstar from the sale of the 8.875% Notes were \$316.8 million, net of \$8.2 million original issuance discount. Mission received \$131.9 million of the net proceeds and \$184.9 million was received by Nexstar Broadcasting. As the obligations under the 8.875% Notes are joint and several to Nexstar Broadcasting and Mission, each entity reflects the full amount of the 8.875% Notes and related accrued interest in their separate Financial Statements. Further, the portions of the net proceeds and related accrued interest attributable to the respective co-issuer are reflected as a reduction to equity (due from affiliate) in their separate financial statements given the contractual relationships between the entities.

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# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING BALANCE SHEET As of June 30, 2012 (in thousands)

	Nexstar	Nexstar Broadcasting	g Mission	Nexstar Holdings	Eliminations	Consolidated Company
ASSETS	reastar	Dioadcasting	g WHSSIOH	Holdings	Elililliations	Company
Current assets:						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$-	\$ 11,227	\$1,251	\$-	\$ -	\$ 12,478
Due from Nexstar		,				
Broadcasting	-	-	521	_	(521	) -
Other current assets	-	71,439	4,979	-	-	76,418
Total current assets	-	82,666	6,751	-	(521	) 88,896
Amounts due from subsidiary						
eliminated upon consolidation	11,065	-	-	-	(11,065	) -
Amounts due from parents						
eliminated upon consolidation	-	4,175	-	-	(4,175	) -
Property and equipment, net	-	118,048	22,842	-	-	140,890
Goodwill	-	93,845	18,730	-	-	112,575
FCC licenses	-	119,569	21,939	-	-	141,508
Other intangible assets, net	-	57,669	12,735	-	-	70,404
Other noncurrent assets	-	9,753	2,323	-	-	12,076
Total assets	\$11,065	\$ 485,725	\$85,320	\$-	\$ (15,761	\$ 566,349
LIABILITIES AND						
STOCKHOLDERS' DEFICIT						
Current liabilities:						
Current portion of debt	\$-	\$ 1,110	\$390	\$-	\$ -	\$ 1,500
Due to Mission	-	521	-	-	(521	) -
Other current liabilities	-	43,642	9,546	-	(6,008	) 47,180
Total current liabilities	-	45,273	9,936	-	(6,529	) 48,680
Debt	-	563,966	362,688	-	(318,858	) 607,796
Deficiencies in subsidiaries						
eliminated upon consolidation	200,816	-	-	185,574	(386,390	) -
Amounts due to subsidiary						
eliminated upon consolidation	-	-	-	15,240	(15,240	) -
Other noncurrent liabilities	(3	) 62,060	18,397	2	-	80,456
Total liabilities	200,813	671,299	391,021	200,816	(727,017	) 736,932
Stockholders' deficit:						
Common stock	289	-	-	-	-	289
Other stockholders' deficit	(190,037	) (185,574	) (305,701	) (200,816	) 711,256	(170,872)
Total stockholders' deficit	(189,748	) (185,574	) (305,701	) (200,816	) 711,256	(170,583)
Total liabilities and						
stockholders' deficit	\$11,065	\$ 485,725	\$85,320	\$-	\$ (15,761	) \$ 566,349

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING BALANCE SHEET As of December 31, 2011 (in thousands)

	Nexstar	Nexstar Broadcasting	Mission	Nexstar Holdings	Eliminations	Consolidated Company
ASSETS						
Current assets:						
Cash and cash		<b>*</b> • • • •				* =
equivalents	\$ -	\$ 5,648	\$ 1,898	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 7,546
Due from Mission	-	4,729	-	-	(4,729 )	-
Other current assets	-	83,417	5,886	-	-	89,303
Total current assets	-	93,794	7,784	-	(4,729 )	96,849
Amounts due from						
subsidiary						
eliminated upon	10.055				(10.055.)	
consolidation	10,077	-	-	-	(10,077)	-
Amounts due from						
parents						
eliminated upon		5.160			(5.162	
consolidation	-	5,163	-	-	(5,163)	-
Property and		100 470	24.140			146 612
equipment, net	-	122,473	24,140	-	-	146,613
Goodwill	-	93,845	18,730	-	-	112,575
FCC licenses	-	119,569	21,939	-	-	141,508
Other intangible assets,		66.242	15 276			01 510
net	-	66,243	15,276	-	-	81,519
Other noncurrent		12 702	2 107			15 070
assets	- ¢ 10.077	12,783	3,187	<b>-</b>	f (10.060 )	15,970
Total assets LIABILITIES AND	\$ 10,077	\$ 513,870	\$ 91,056	\$ -	\$ (19,969 )	\$ 595,034
STOCKHOLDERS'						
DEFICIT						
Current liabilities:						
Current portion of debt	<b>¢</b>	\$ 1,110	\$ 390	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,500
Due to Nexstar	φ -	Ф 1,110	\$ 390	φ -	φ -	\$ 1,500
Broadcasting			4,729		(4,729 )	
Other current liabilities	-	50,517	11,223	-	(6,009)	55,731
Total current liabilities	-	51,627	16,342	<u>-</u>	(10,738)	57,231
Debt	-	594,136	363,087	-	(318,362)	638,861
Deficiencies in		374,130	303,007		(310,302)	030,001
subsidiaries						
eliminated upon						
consolidation	210,753	_	_	195,511	(406,264)	_
Amounts due to	210,733			175,511	(400,204)	
subsidiary						
eliminated upon						
consolidation	_	-	_	15,240	(15,240 )	_
				,	(10,2.0)	

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Other noncurrent						
liabilities	(3)	63,618	18,729	2	-	82,346
Total liabilities	210,750	709,381	398,158	210,753	(750,604)	778,438
Stockholders' deficit:						
Common stock	288	-	-	-	-	288
Other stockholders'						
deficit	(200,961)	(195,511)	(307,102)	(210,753)	730,635	(183,692)
Total stockholders'						
deficit	(200,673)	(195,511)	(307,102)	(210,753)	730,635	(183,404)
Total liabilities and						
stockholders' deficit	\$ 10,077	\$ 513,870	\$ 91,056	\$ -	\$ (19,969 )	\$ 595,034

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS Three Months Ended June 30, 2012 (in thousands)

	Nexstar	Nexstar Broadcasting	Mission	Nexstar Holdings	Eliminations	Consolidated Company
Net broadcast revenue		8				1
(including trade and barter)	\$-	\$ 84,220	\$4,644	\$-	\$ -	\$ 88,864
Revenue between consolidated						
entities	_	1,935	7,929	-	(9,864)	-
Net revenue	-	86,155	12,573	-	(9,864)	88,864
Operating expenses:						
Direct operating expenses,						
excluding depreciation and						
amortization	-	20,121	1,731	-	-	21,852
Selling, general, and						
administrative expenses,						
excluding depreciation and						
amortization	-	26,506	627	-	-	27,133
Local service agreement fees						
between consolidated entities	-	7,929	1,935	-	(9,864)	-
Amortization of broadcast						
rights	_	4,207	985	-	-	5,192
Amortization of intangible						
assets	-	4,240	1,271	-	-	5,511
Depreciation	-	5,003	712	-	-	5,715
Loss on asset disposal, net	-	(2)	-	-	-	(2)
Total operating expenses	-	68,004	7,261	-	(9,864)	65,401
Income from operations	-	18,151	5,312	-	-	23,463
Interest expense, net	-	(8,846)	(3,728	) -	-	(12,574)
Loss on extinguishment of						
debt	-	(497)	-	-	-	(497)
Equity in income of						
subsidiaries	7,558	-	-	7,558	(15,116)	-
Income before income						
taxes	7,558	8,808	1,584	7,558	(15,116)	10,392
Income tax expense	-	(1,250)	(324	) -	-	(1,574)
Net income	\$7,558	\$ 7,558	\$1,260	\$7,558	\$ (15,116)	\$ 8,818
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# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS Three Months Ended June 30, 2011 (in thousands)

	Nexstar	Nexstar Broadcasting	Mission	Nexstar Holdings	Elimination	Consolidated S Company
Net broadcast revenue	INCAStai	Dioadcasting	WIISSIUII	Holdings	Ellilliation	s Company
(including trade and barter)	\$-	\$ 70,529	\$4,976	\$-	\$ -	\$ 75,505
Revenue between	Ψ	Ψ 70,525	Ψ 1,570	Ψ	Ψ	Ψ 75,505
consolidated entities	_	1,785	7,007	_	(8,792	) -
Net revenue	_	72,314	11,983	_	(8,792	) 75,505
Operating expenses:		-	,		(-,	, ,
Direct operating						
expenses, excluding						
depreciation and amortization	-	17,814	1,891	-	-	19,705
Selling, general,						
and administrative expenses,						
excluding depreciation and						
amortization	-	23,872	1,083	-	-	24,955
Local service agreement						
fees between consolidated						
entities	-	7,007	1,785	-	(8,792	) -
Amortization of broadcast						
rights	-	4,207	1,055	-	-	5,262
Amortization of intangible						
assets	-	5,697	1,662	-	-	7,359
Depreciation	-	4,420	785	-	-	5,205
Loss on asset disposal, net	-	(3	) 97	-	-	94
Total operating expenses	-	63,014	8,358	-	(8,792	) 62,580
Income from operations	-	9,300	3,625	-	-	12,925
Interest expense, net	-	(9,166	(3,668	) (474	) -	(13,308)
Loss on extinguishment of debt	-	(494	) -	(314	) -	(808)
Equity in loss of subsidiaries	(2,230	) -	-	(1,442	) 3,672	-
Loss before income taxes	(2,230	) (360	) (43	) (2,230	) 3,672	(1,191)
Income tax expense	-	(1,082	) (311	) -		(1,393)
Net loss	\$(2,230	) \$ (1,442	\$(354)	) \$(2,230	\$ 3,672	\$ (2,584)

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS Six Months Ended June 30, 2012 (in thousands)

	Nexstar	Nexstar Broadcasting	Mission	Nexstar Holdings	Eliminations	Consolidated Company
Net broadcast						
revenue (including						
trade and barter)	\$ -	\$ 163,276	\$ 9,230	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 172,506
Revenue between		·	·			
consolidated entities	-	3,870	15,292	-	(19,162)	_
Net revenue	-	167,146	24,522	-	(19,162)	172,506
Operating expenses:						
Direct operating						
expenses, excluding						
depreciation and						
amortization	-	40,466	3,514	-	-	43,980
Selling, general, and						
administrative						
expenses, excluding						
depreciation and						
amortization	-	53,014	1,247	-	-	54,261
Local service						
agreement fees						
between consolidated						
entities	-	15,292	3,870	-	(19,162)	-
Amortization of						
broadcast rights	-	8,625	2,115	-	-	10,740
Amortization of						
intangible assets	-	8,574	2,541	-	-	11,115
Depreciation	-	10,022	1,441	-	-	11,463
Loss on asset						
disposal, net	-	(21)	-	-	-	(21)
Total operating						
expenses	-	135,972	14,728	-	(19,162)	131,538
Income from						
operations	-	31,174	9,794	-	-	40,968
Interest expense, net	-	(18,027)	(7,456)	-	-	(25,483)
Loss on						
extinguishment of						
debt	-	(497)	-	-	-	(497)
Equity in income of						
subsidiaries	10,143	-	-	10,143	(20,286)	-
Income before						
income					/a.c	
taxes	10,143	12,650	2,338	10,143	(20,286)	14,988
Income tax expense	-	(2,507 )	(647 )	-	- h (00 - 00 - 00 - 00 - 00 - 00 - 00 - 00	(3,154)
Net income	\$ 10,143	\$ 10,143	\$ 1,691	\$ 10,143	\$ (20,286)	\$ 11,834

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS Six Months Ended June 30, 2011 (in thousands)

	Nexstar	Nexstar Broadcasting	Mission	Nexstar Holdings		Consolidated Company
Net broadcast revenue	Tionstar	Broadcasting	1,11001011	1101ding.	Billimations	Company
(including trade and barter)	\$-	\$ 135,538	\$9,912	\$-	\$ -	\$ 145,450
Revenue between						
consolidated entities	-	3,570	13,516	-	(17,086	) -
Net revenue	-	139,108	23,428	-	(17,086	) 145,450
Operating expenses:						
Direct operating expenses,						
excluding depreciation and						
amortization	-	35,027	3,781	-	-	38,808
Selling, general, and administrative expenses, excluding depreciation and						
amortization	-	47,726	2,241	-	-	49,967
Local service agreement fees between consolidated entities	-	13,516	3,570	-	(17,086	) -
Amortization of broadcast rights	-	8,607	2,242	-	-	10,849
Amortization of intangible						
assets	-	10,208	2,990	-	-	13,198
Depreciation	-	8,861	1,574	-	-	10,435
Loss on asset disposal, net	-	23	79	-	-	102
Total operating expenses	-	123,968	16,477	-	(17,086	) 123,359
Income from operations	-	15,140	6,951	-	<b>-</b>	22,091
Interest expense, net	-	(18,189	(7,310	) (1,514	) -	(27,013 )
Loss on extinguishment of debt		(458	-	(697	) -	(1,155)
Equity in loss of subsidiaries	(7,914	) -	-	(5,703	) 13,617	-
Loss before income taxes	(7,914	) (3,507	(359	) (7,914	) 13,617	(6,077)
Income tax expense	-	(2,196	(623	) -	-	(2,819 )
Net loss	\$(7,914	) \$ (5,703	\$(982	) \$(7,914	) \$ 13,617	\$ (8,896)

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS Six Months Ended June 30, 2012 (in thousands)

	Nexstar	Nexstar Broadcastii	ng Mission	Nexstar Holdings	Eliminations	Consolidated Company
Cash flows provided by	Neastai	Dioadcastii	ig Wilssion	Holdings	Elilillations	Company
operating activities	\$-	\$ 41,990	\$407	\$-	\$ -	\$ 42,397
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Cash flows from investing activities:						
Purchases of property		(7.020	(150	`		(7.100
and equipment	-	(7,039	) (159	) -	-	(7,198 )
Other investing activities	-	34	-	-	-	34
Net cash used in investing		(7,005	(150	`		(7.164
activities	-	(7,005	) (159	) -	-	(7,164)
Cash flows from financing activities:						
Proceeds from issuance						
of long-term debt	-	37,500	-	-	-	37,500
Repayments of long-term debt	-	(67,465	) (895	) -	-	(68,360)
Inter-company payments	(559	) 559	-	-	-	-
Other financing activities	559	-	-	-	-	559
Net cash (used in) financing						
activities	-	(29,406	) (895	) -	-	(30,301)
Net increase (decrease) in						
cash and cash equivalents	-	5,579	(647	) -	-	4,932
Cash and cash equivalents						
at beginning of period	-	5,648	1,898	-	-	7,546
Cash and cash equivalents						
at end of period	\$-	\$ 11,227	\$1,251	\$-	\$ -	\$ 12,478
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# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS Six Months Ended June 30, 2011 (in thousands)

	Nexstar	Nexstar Broadcasting	σ	Mission		Nexstar Holdings	ı.	Eliminations	Consolidat Company	
Cash flows provided by (used	TOAStar	Brouceusting	5	1111331011		Troidings		Emmations	Company	
in) operating activities	\$-	\$ 21,584		3,644		\$(3,008	)	\$ -	\$ 22,220	
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Cash flows from investing activities:										
Purchases of property and equipment	-	(6,815	)	(137	)	-		_	(6,952	)
Escrow payment on station acquisition	_	(1,000	)	_		į		_	(1,000	)
Other investing activities	_	12	,	18		_		_	30	,
Net cash used in investing		12		10					50	
activities	_	(7,803	)	(119	)	_		_	(7,922	)
		(1,000	,	()	,				(1,5	,
Cash flows from financing activities:										
Proceeds from issuance of										
long-term debt	_	50,000		_		_		_	50,000	
Repayments of long-term debt	-	(28,855	)	(195	)	(45,907	)	-	(74,957	)
Inter-company payments	(67	) (48,848		-		48,915		-	-	
Other financing activities	67	(541	)	8		-		-	(466	)
Net cash (used in) provided by		·	-						· ·	
financing activities	-	(28,244	)	(187	)	3,008		-	(25,423	)
Net (decrease) increase in cash										
and cash equivalents	-	(14,463	)	3,338		-		-	(11,125	)
Cash and cash equivalents at										
beginning of period	-	22,409		1,249		-		-	23,658	
Cash and cash equivalents at										
end of period	\$-	\$ 7,946	\$	4,587		\$-		\$ -	\$ 12,533	
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#### Subsequent Events

On July 18, 2012, Nexstar and Mission signed definitive agreements to acquire the assets of twelve television stations in eight markets and Inergize Digital Media operations from Newport for \$285.5 million, subject to adjustments for working capital acquired. Nexstar will acquire ten stations and Inergize Digital Media and Mission will acquire the two remaining stations. The stations to be acquired are as follows:

Market Nexstar:	Market Rank	Station	Affiliation
Salt Lake City, UT	33	KTVX	ABC
		KUCW	CW
Memphis, TN	49	WPTY	ABC
-		WLMT	CW
Syracuse, NY	84	WSYR	ABC
Binghamton, NY	157	WBGH	NBC
		WIVT	ABC
Elmira, NY	174	WETM	NBC
Jackson, TN	176	WJKT	FOX
Watertown, NY	177	WWTI	ABC
Mission:			
Little Rock, AR	56	KLRT	FOX
·		KASN	CW

Deposits totaling \$28.6 million were made upon signing the agreements. Nexstar and Mission have secured commitments for new \$645.0 million senior secured credit facilities comprised of \$570.0 million in Term Loan B due 2019 and \$75.0 million in revolving loans due December 2017. The Company will use the proceeds of these loans to finance the acquisitions, as well as for retirement of the 7% Notes, the 7% PIK Notes and debt outstanding under the Company's existing senior secured credit facilities. The Company is currently evaluating the accounting impact of the debt transactions. The acquisitions are subject to FCC approval and other customary conditions and the Company expects them to close in December 2012.

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## ITEM 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

The following discussion and analysis should be read in conjunction with our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements and related Notes included elsewhere in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and the Consolidated Financial Statements and related Notes contained in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011.

As used in the report, unless the context indicates otherwise, "Nexstar" refers to Nexstar Broadcasting Group, Inc. and its consolidated subsidiaries Nexstar Finance Holdings, Inc. ("Nexstar Holdings") and Nexstar Broadcasting, Inc. ("Nexstar Broadcasting"), and "Mission" refers to Mission Broadcasting, Inc. All references to "we," "our," "ours," and "us" reto Nexstar. All references to the "Company" refer to Nexstar and Mission collectively.

As a result of our deemed controlling financial interest in Mission, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("U.S. GAAP"), we consolidate the financial position, results of operations and cash flows of Mission as if it were a wholly-owned entity. We believe this presentation is meaningful for understanding our financial performance. Refer to Note 2 to our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for a discussion of our determination that we are required to consolidate Mission's financial position, results of operations and cash flows under the authoritative guidance for variable interest entities. Therefore, the following discussion of our financial condition and results of operations includes Mission's financial position and results of operations.

#### **Executive Summary**

#### 2012 Highlights

Net revenue during the second quarter of 2012 increased by \$13.4 million, or 17.7 % as compared to the same period in 2011. The increase in net revenue was primarily due to the second half of 2011 acquisitions of WFRV, WJMN, and WEHT along with increases in retransmission compensation and political advertising, which was partially offset by the discontinuance of management fee revenue from our terminated management services agreement with Four Points and decreased revenue from stations associated with terminated FOX affiliation agreements. Newly acquired stations contributed approximately \$6.5 million to the consolidated net revenue for the second quarter.

During the quarter, the Company borrowed \$20.3 million, net, of its revolving loans under its senior secured credit facilities.

On May 11, 2012, we redeemed \$34.0 million of our outstanding 7% Notes at 100%. As a result of the redemption, we recorded \$0.5 million of loss on extinguishment of debt related to this transaction. We funded the redemption from cash on hand and borrowings under our revolving credit facility.

On July 18, 2012, Nexstar and Mission signed definitive agreements to acquire the assets of twelve television stations in eight markets and Inergize Digital Media operations from Newport for \$285.5 million in cash, subject to adjustments for working capital acquired. We also received commitments for a new \$645.0 million in senior secured credit facilities consisting of \$570.0 million in Term Loan B due in 2019 and \$75.0 million in revolving loans due December 2017. We expect the acquisitions to close in December 2012.

#### Overview of Operations

We owned and operated 36 television stations and seven digital multicast channels as of June 30, 2012. Additionally, as of June 30, 2012, we programmed or provided sales and other services to 19 additional television stations and four digital multicast channels through various local service agreements with their owners, including 17 television stations

and four digital multicast channels owned and operated by Mission. All of the stations to which we provide programming, sales, or other services, including Mission, are wholly owned by independent third parties. See Note 2 to our condensed consolidated financial statements in this Form 10-Q for a discussion of the local service agreements we have with Mission.

We also guarantee all obligations incurred under Mission's senior secured credit facility. Similarly, Mission is a guarantor of our senior secured credit facility and senior subordinated notes. In consideration of our guarantee of Mission's senior secured credit facility, Mission has granted us a purchase option to acquire the assets and assume the liabilities of each Mission station, subject to FCC consent, for an amount equal to the greater of (1) seven times the station's cash flow, as defined in the option agreement, less the amount of its indebtedness, as defined in the option agreement, or (2) the amount of its indebtedness. Additionally, on November 29, 2011, Mission granted us an option to purchase any or all of Mission's stock, subject to FCC consent, for a price equal to the pro rata portion of the greater of (1) five times the stations' cash flow, as defined in the agreement, reduced by the amount of indebtedness, as defined in the agreement, or (2) \$100,000. These option agreements (which expire on various dates between 2012 and 2022) are freely exercisable or assignable by us without consent or approval by Mission. We expect these option agreements to be renewed upon expiration.

We do not own Mission or its television stations. However, we are deemed under U.S. GAAP to have a controlling financial interest in Mission because of (1) the local service agreements Nexstar has with the Mission stations, (2) Nexstar's guarantee of the obligations incurred under Mission's senior secured credit facility, (3) Nexstar having power over significant activities affecting Mission's economic performance, including budgeting for advertising revenue, advertising and hiring and firing of sales force personnel and (4) purchase options granted by Mission that permit Nexstar to acquire the assets and assume the liabilities of each Mission station, subject to FCC consent. In compliance with FCC regulations for both us and Mission, Mission maintains complete responsibility for and control over programming, finances and personnel for its stations.

#### Seasonality

Advertising revenue is positively affected by strong local economies, national and regional political election campaigns, and certain events such as the Olympic Games or the Super Bowl. The Company's stations' advertising revenue is generally highest in the second and fourth quarters of each year, due in part to increases in consumer advertising in the spring and retail advertising in the period leading up to, and including, the holiday season. In addition, advertising revenue is generally higher during even-numbered years, when state, congressional and presidential elections occur and advertising airs during the Olympic Games. As 2012 is an election year, we expect an increase in political advertising revenue to be reported in 2012 compared to 2011.

#### Historical Performance

#### Revenue

The following table sets forth the amounts of the Company's principal types of revenue (in thousands) and each type of revenue (other than trade and barter) and agency commissions as a percentage of total gross revenue:

	Three Months Ended June 30,			Six Months Ended June 30,								
	20	12		20	)11		2012			2011		
	Amount	%		Amount	%		Amount	%		Amount	%	
Local	\$47,359	51.1		\$45,666	58.5		\$92,792	51.6		\$88,923	59.1	
National	18,829	20.3		16,356	20.9		36,235	20.2		31,417	20.9	
Political	5,982	6.4		2,032	2.6		8,776	4.9		2,592	1.7	
Retransmission												
compensation	15,283	16.5		8,600	11.0		29,779	16.5		17,117	11.4	
eMedia revenue	4,426	4.8		4,083	5.2		8,559	4.8		7,756	5.1	
Network compensation	222	0.2		278	0.4		394	0.2		542	0.3	
Management fee	-	-		500	0.6		1,961	1.1		1,000	0.7	
Other	612	0.7		595	0.8		1,232	0.7		1,172	0.8	
Total gross revenue	92,713	100.0		78,110	100.0		179,728	100.0		150,519	100.0	
Less: Agency												
commissions	(9,322)	(10.1)	)	(7,994)	(10.2)	)	(17,683)	(9.8	)	(15,345)	(10.2)	)
Net broadcast revenue	83,391	89.9		70,116	89.8		162,045	90.2		135,174	89.8	
Trade and barter												
revenue	5,473			5,389			10,461			10,276		
Net revenue	\$88,864			\$75,505			\$172,506			\$145,450		

# Results of Operations

The following table sets forth a summary of the Company's operations (in thousands) and each component of operating expense as a percentage of net revenue:

	Three Months Ended June 30,				Six Months Ended June 30,			
	201	2 2011			2012	<u>,                                    </u>	2011	
	Amount	%	Amount	%	Amount	%	Amount	%
Net revenue	\$ 88,864	100.0	\$ 75,505	100.0	\$ 172,506	100.0	\$ 145,450	100.0
Operating expenses								
(income):								
Corporate expenses	5,119	5.8	4,516	6.0	10,533	6.1	9,334	6.4
Station direct operating expenses,								
net of trade	19,941	22.4	17,499	23.2	40,511	23.5	35,087	24.1
Selling, general and administrative								
expenses	22,014	24.8	20,439	27.1	43,728	25.3	40,633	27.9
(Gain) loss on asset								
disposal, net	(2)	-	94	0.1	(21)	-	102	0.1
Trade and barter								
expense	5,041	5.7	5,309	7.0	10,036	5.8	10,161	7.0

Depreciation								
and amortization	11,226	12.6	12,564	16.6	22,578	13.1	23,633	16.3
Amortization of								
broadcast rights,								
excluding barter	2,062	2.3	2,159	2.9	4,173	2.4	4,409	3.0
Income from								
operations	\$ 23,463		\$ 12,925		\$ 40,968		\$ 22,091	

Three Months Ended June 30, 2012 Compared to Three Months Ended June 30, 2011

#### Revenue

Gross local advertising revenue was \$47.4 million for the three months ended June 30, 2012, compared to \$45.7 million for the same period in 2011, an increase of \$1.7 million, or 3.7%. The increase was primarily related to incremental advertising from our automotive customers and revenue from our acquired stations which more than offset the decrease associated with the termination of certain FOX affiliation agreements. Gross national advertising revenue was \$18.8 million for the three months ended June 30, 2012, compared to \$16.3 million for the same period in 2011, an increase of \$2.5 million, or 15.1%, of which approximately 60% related to the acquired stations. Our largest advertiser category, automotive, represented 22.5% and 18.8% of local and national advertising revenue for the three months ended June 30, 2012 and 2011, respectively. Overall, this category increased by 27.7%, of which approximately 40% came from our acquired stations. The other categories representing our top five were fast food/restaurants, which decreased 7.4%, paid programming, which increased 4.6%, radio/cable/TV/newspapers, which increased 6.4%, and furniture, which remained flat.

Gross political advertising revenue was \$6.0 million for the three months ended June 30, 2012, compared to \$2.0 million for the same period in 2011, an increase of \$4.0 million, or 194.4%, as expected, due to 2012 being an election year.

Retransmission compensation was \$15.3 million for the three months ended June 30, 2012, compared to \$8.6 million for the same period in 2011, an increase of \$6.7 million, or 77.7%. The increase in retransmission compensation was primarily the result of our acquired stations and renegotiated contracts providing for higher rates per subscriber during the year.

eMedia revenue, representing web-based advertising revenue generated at the Company's stations, was \$4.4 million for the three months ended June 30, 2012, compared to \$4.1 million for the same period in 2011, an increase of \$0.3 million or 8.4%. The increase in eMedia revenue is attributable to eMedia sales efforts and incremental revenue from acquired stations.

#### **Operating Expenses**

Corporate expenses, related to costs associated with the centralized management of Nexstar's and Mission's stations, were \$5.1 million for the three months ended June 30, 2012, compared to \$4.5 million for the same period in 2011, an increase of \$0.6 million, or 13.4%. The increase was due to an increase in payroll and payroll-related costs, primarily due to increased bonus expense related to higher revenues in this political year and increased corporate headcount from our acquisition of a software development company in July 2011.

Station direct operating expenses, consisting primarily of news, engineering and programming, and selling, general and administrative expenses (net of trade expense) were \$42.0 million for the three months ended June 30, 2012, compared to \$37.9 million for the same period in 2011, an increase of \$4.0 million, or 10.6%. The increase was primarily due to expenses of the newly acquired stations, as well as an increase of \$0.8 million in network affiliation fees due to the renewed network agreements entered into in 2011 and an incremental \$0.3 million of employee health claims.

Amortization of broadcast rights, excluding barter, remained relatively consistent at \$2.1 million for the three months ended June 30, 2012, compared to \$2.2 million for the same period in 2011, a decrease of \$0.1 million, or 4.5%.

Amortization of intangible assets was \$5.5 million for the three months ended June 30, 2012, compared to \$7.4 million for the same period in 2011, a decrease of \$1.8 million, or 25.1%. The incremental amortization from acquired stations was offset by the 2011 termination of certain FOX affiliation contracts which were fully amortized in 2011.

Depreciation of property and equipment was \$5.7 million for the three months ended June 30, 2012, compared to \$5.2 million for the same period in 2011, an increase of \$0.5 million, or 9.8%, primarily due to the incremental depreciation of fixed assets at our newly acquired stations.

#### Interest Expense

Interest expense, net was \$12.6 million for the three months ended June 30, 2012, compared to \$13.3 million for the same period in 2011, a decrease of \$0.7 million, or 5.5%. The decrease was primarily attributed to our redemption of notes with higher interest financed with our senior secured credit facility, as well as an overall reduction in debt.

#### **Income Taxes**

Income tax expense was \$1.6 million for the three months ended June 30, 2012, compared to \$1.4 million for the same period in 2011, an increase of \$0.2 million, or 13.0%. The increase was due to the incremental goodwill and FCC licenses from our 2011 acquisitions. Our provision for income taxes is primarily created by changes in the position during the year arising from the amortization of goodwill and other indefinite-lived assets for income tax purposes, which are not amortized for financial reporting purposes. No tax benefit was recorded with respect to the losses in 2012 and 2011 as the utilization of such losses is not more likely than not to be realized in the foreseeable future.

Six Months Ended June 30, 2012 Compared to Six Months Ended June 30, 2011

#### Revenue

Gross local advertising revenue was \$92.8 million for the six months ended June 30, 2012, compared to \$88.9 million for the same period in 2011, an increase of \$3.9 million, or 4.4%. The increase was primarily related to incremental advertising from our automotive customers and revenue from our acquired stations which more than offset a decrease associated with the termination of certain FOX affiliation agreements. Gross national advertising revenue was \$36.2 million for the six months ended June 30, 2012, compared to \$31.4 million for the same period in 2011, an increase of \$4.8 million, or 15.3%, of which approximately 55% related to the acquired stations. Our largest advertiser category, automotive, represented 22.8% and 19.8% of local and national advertising revenue for the six months months ended June 30, 2012 and 2011, respectively. Overall, this category increased by 23.3%, of which approximately 40% came from our acquired stations. The other categories representing our top five were fast food/restaurants, which decreased 3.3%, paid programming, which increased 5.4%, furniture, which increased 4.7% and radio/cable/TV/newspapers, which increased 6.8%.

Gross political advertising revenue was \$8.8 million for the six months ended June 30, 2012, compared to \$2.6 million for the same period in 2011, an increase of \$6.2 million, or 238.6%, as expected, due to 2012 being an election year.

Retransmission compensation was \$29.8 million for the six months ended June 30, 2012, compared to \$17.1 million for the same period in 2011, an increase of \$12.7 million, or 74.0%. The increase in retransmission compensation was primarily the result of our acquired stations and renegotiated contracts providing for higher rates per subscriber.

eMedia revenue, representing web-based advertising revenue generated at the Company's stations, was \$8.6 million for the six months ended June 30, 2012, compared to \$7.8 million for the same period in 2011, an increase of \$0.8 million or 10.4%. The increase in eMedia revenue is attributable to our eMedia sales efforts and incremental revenue from acquired stations.

Management fee revenue was \$2.0 million for the six months ended June 30, 2012, which primarily represents a contract termination fee received upon closing of the sale of Four Points' stations to Sinclair Broadcast Group. Management fee revenue was \$1.0 million for the six months ended June 30, 2011.

#### **Operating Expenses**

Corporate expenses, related to costs associated with the centralized operation of Nexstar's and Mission's stations, were \$10.5 million for the six months ended June 30, 2012, compared to \$9.3 million for the same period in 2011, an increase of \$1.2 million, or 12.8%. The increase was due to an increase in payroll and payroll-related costs, primarily due to increased bonus expense related to higher revenues in this political year and increased corporate headcount from our acquisition of a software development company in July 2011.

Station direct operating expenses, consisting primarily of news, engineering and programming, and selling, general and administrative expenses (net of trade expense) were \$84.2 million for the six months ended June 30, 2012, compared to \$75.7 million for the same period in 2011, an increase of \$8.5 million, or 11.3%. The increase was primarily due to expenses of the newly acquired stations, as well as an increase of \$1.8 million in network affiliation fees due to the renewed network agreements entered into in 2011 and an incremental \$0.8 million of employee health claims.

Amortization of broadcast rights, excluding barter, remained relatively consistent at \$4.2 million for the six months ended June 30, 2012, compared to \$4.4 million for the same period in 2011, a decrease of \$0.2 million, or 5.4%. The decrease was primarily due to the ceased syndication of The Oprah Winfrey Show in September 2011, which was partially offset by the incremental amortization of broadcast rights of newly acquired stations.

Amortization of intangible assets was \$11.1 million for the six months ended June 30, 2012, compared to \$13.2 million for the same period in 2011, a decrease of \$2.1 million, or 15.8%. The incremental amortization from acquired stations was offset by the 2011 termination of certain FOX affiliation contracts which were fully amortized in 2011.

Depreciation of property and equipment was \$11.5 million for the six months ended June 30, 2012, compared to \$10.4 million for the same period in 2011, an increase of \$1.0 million, or 9.9%, primarily due to the incremental depreciation of fixed assets at our newly acquired stations.

#### Interest Expense

Interest expense, net was \$25.5 million for the six months ended June 30, 2012, compared to \$27.0 million for the same period in 2011, a decrease of \$1.5 million, or 5.7%. The decrease in interest expense was primarily attributed to the buyback and redemption of notes with higher interest rates, financed with our senior secured credit facility, as well as an overall reduction in debt.

# Income Taxes

Income tax expense was \$3.2 million for the six months ended June 30, 2012, compared to \$2.8 million for the same period in 2011, an increase of \$0.3 million, or 11.9%. The increase was due to the incremental goodwill and FCC licenses from our 2011 acquisitions. Our provision for income taxes is primarily created by an increase in the deferred tax liability position arising from the amortization of goodwill and other indefinite-lived assets for income tax purposes, which are not amortized for financial reporting purposes. No tax expense or benefit was recorded with respect to the net income (loss) in 2012 and 2011 as the utilization of net operating losses is not more likely than not to be realized in the foreseeable future.

#### Liquidity and Capital Resources

We and Mission are highly leveraged, which makes the Company vulnerable to changes in general economic conditions. Our and Mission's ability to meet the future cash requirements described below depends on our and Mission's ability to generate cash in the future, which is subject to general economic, financial, competitive, legislative, regulatory and other conditions, many of which are beyond our and Mission's control. Based on current operations and anticipated future growth, we believe that our and Mission's available cash, anticipated cash flow from operations and available borrowings under the Nexstar and Mission senior secured credit facilities will be sufficient to fund working capital, capital expenditure requirements, interest payments and scheduled debt principal payments for at least the next twelve months. In order to meet future cash needs, we may, from time to time, borrow under our existing senior secured credit facilities or issue other long- or short-term debt or equity, if the market and the terms of our existing debt arrangements permit, and Mission may, from time to time, borrow under its existing senior secured credit facility. We will continue to evaluate the best use of Nexstar's operating cash flow among its capital expenditures, acquisitions and debt reduction.

#### Overview

The following tables present summarized financial information management believes is helpful in evaluating the Company's liquidity and capital resources (in thousands):

	Six Mo	onths Ended	
	Ju	ine 30,	
	2012	2011	
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$42,397	\$22,220	
Net cash used in investing activities	(7,164	) (7,922	)
Net cash used in financing activities	(30,301	) (25,423	)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	\$4,932	\$(11,125	)
Cash paid for interest	\$26,131	\$26,736	
Cash paid for income taxes, net	\$522	\$499	

	As of	As of December
	June 30,	31,
	2012	2011
Cash and cash equivalents	\$12,478	\$7,546
Long-term debt including current portion	609,296	640,361
Unused commitments under senior secured credit facilities(1)	48,000	50,700

(1) Based on covenant calculations, as of June 30, 2012, all of the \$48 million of total unused revolving loan commitments under the Nexstar and Mission senior secured credit facilities were available for borrowing.

#### Cash Flows – Operating Activities

Net cash provided by operating activities increased by \$20.2 million during the six months ended June 30, 2012 compared to the same period in 2011. The increase was primarily due to an increase in net revenue of \$27.1 million and a decrease in cash paid for interest of \$0.6 million which was partially offset by incremental expenses of newly acquired businesses.

Cash paid for interest decreased by \$0.6 million during the six months ended June 30, 2012 compared to the same period in 2011. The decrease was due to the \$2.8 million decrease in cash paid for interest of our 11.375% senior discount notes redeemed in 2011, which was partially offset by \$1.2 million increase in cash interest paid on the 7% Notes and \$0.6 million increase in cash interest paid on the senior secured credit facilities.

Due to our and Mission's recent history of net operating losses, we and Mission currently do not pay any federal income taxes. These net operating losses may be carried forward, subject to expiration and certain limitations, and used to reduce taxable earnings in future years. Through the use of available loss carryforwards, it is possible that we and Mission may not pay significant amounts of federal income taxes in the foreseeable future.

#### Cash Flows – Investing Activities

Net cash used in investing activities decreased by \$0.8 million during the six months ended June 30, 2012 compared to the same period in 2011. The decrease was primarily due to a \$1.0 million escrow payment made in April 2011 for the acquisition of WFRV and WJMN, partially offset by increased spending on capital expenditures.

#### Cash Flows – Financing Activities

Net cash used in financing activities was \$30.3 million for the six months ended June 30, 2012 compared to \$25.4 million for the same period in 2011. In 2012, we completed a partial redemption of \$34.0 million of our outstanding 7% Notes, borrowed a net amount of \$2.7 million on our revolving loans and paid the contractual maturities under our senior secured credit facilities, for a total payment of \$0.8 million. These repayments were partially offset by \$0.6 million of proceeds from stock option exercises. In 2011, we completed the redemption of \$45.9 million of our outstanding 11.375% Notes, repurchased \$7.5 million of our outstanding 7% Notes and \$24.2 million of our outstanding 7% PIK Notes, as well as paid amounts due under the Company's senior secured credit facilities of \$0.6 million and borrowed an additional \$50 million of term loan with the amendment to our senior secured credit facility.

Although our senior secured credit facility limits, but does not prohibit, the payment of cash dividends to common stockholders, we and Mission do not currently intend to declare or pay a cash dividend.

## Future Sources of Financing and Debt Service Requirements

As of June 30, 2012, Nexstar and Mission had total combined debt of \$609.3 million, which represented 138.9% of Nexstar and Mission's combined capitalization. Our and Mission's high level of debt requires that a substantial portion of cash flow be dedicated to pay principal and interest on debt, which reduces the funds available for working capital, capital expenditures, acquisitions and other general corporate purposes.

On May 11, 2012, Nexstar Broadcasting redeemed \$34.0 million of its 7% Notes at 100.0%. The redemption was funded with cash on hand and borrowings under our revolving credit facility.

Nexstar and Mission had \$48.0 million of total unused revolving loan commitments under our respective senior secured credit facilities, all of which was available for borrowing, based on the covenant calculations as of June 30, 2012. On July 18, 2012, in connection with the asset purchase agreements signed with Newport, Nexstar and Mission paid \$28.6 million in deposits, which was funded with additional borrowings from the Company's revolving loans under its senior secured credit facilities. The Company's ability to access funds under our senior secured credit facilities depends, in part, on our compliance with certain financial covenants. Any additional drawings under senior secured credit facilities will reduce our future borrowing capacity and the amount of total unused revolving loan commitments.

Nexstar Broadcasting and Mission have received commitments for new \$645.0 million senior secured credit facilities consisting of \$570.0 million in Term Loan B due in 2019 and \$75.0 million in revolving loans due December 2017. The Company will use the proceeds of these loans to finance the acquisitions from Newport, as well as retirement of the 7% Notes, the 7% PIK Notes and debt outstanding under the Company's existing senior secured credit facilities.

The following table summarizes the approximate aggregate amount of principal indebtedness scheduled to mature for the periods referenced as of June 30, 2012 (in thousands):

Remainder

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	Total	of 2012	2013-2014	2015-2016	Thereafter
Nexstar senior secured credit facility	\$130,155	\$555	\$23,220	\$106,380	\$-
Mission senior secured credit facility	44,220	195	6,780	37,245	-
8.875% senior secured second lien notes due					
2017	325,000	-	-	-	325,000
7% senior subordinated notes due 2014	3,912	-	3,912	-	-
7% senior subordinated PIK notes due 2014.	112,593	-	112,593	-	-
	\$615,880	\$750	\$146,505	\$143,625	\$325,000

The Company makes semiannual interest payments on our 8.875% Notes on April 15 and October 15 of each year. We make semiannual interest payments on our 7% Notes on January 15 and July 15 of each year. We began paying cash interest on our 7% PIK Notes in July 2011. Interest payments on our and Mission's senior secured credit facilities are generally paid every one to three months and are payable based on the type of interest rate selected.

The terms of the Nexstar and Mission senior secured credit facilities, as well as the indentures governing our respective notes, limit, but do not prohibit us or Mission from incurring substantial amounts of additional debt in the future.

We do not have any rating downgrade triggers that would accelerate the maturity dates of our debt. However, a downgrade in our credit rating could adversely affect our ability to renew existing credit facilities, obtain access to new credit facilities or otherwise issue debt in the future and could increase the cost of such debt.

#### **Debt Covenants**

Our senior secured credit facility contains covenants that require us to comply with certain financial ratios, including: (a) a maximum consolidated total leverage ratio, (b) a maximum consolidated first lien indebtedness ratio, and (c) a minimum consolidated fixed charge coverage ratio. The covenants, which are calculated on a quarterly basis, include the combined results of Nexstar Broadcasting and Mission. Mission's senior secured credit facility does not contain financial covenant ratio requirements; however, it does include an event of default if Nexstar does not comply with all covenants contained in its credit agreement. Our 7% Notes, 7% PIK Notes and 8.875% Notes contain restrictive covenants customary for borrowing arrangements of this type. We believe we and Mission will be able to maintain compliance with all covenants contained in the credit agreements governing our senior secured facilities and the indentures governing our respective notes for a period of at least the next twelve months from June 30, 2012.

#### No Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

As of June 30, 2012, we did not have any relationships with unconsolidated entities or financial partnerships, such as entities often referred to as structured finance or variable interest entities, which would have been established for the purpose of facilitating off-balance sheet arrangements or other contractually narrow or limited purposes. All of our arrangements with Mission are on-balance sheet arrangements. Our variable interests in other entities are obtained through local service agreements, which have valid business purposes and transfer certain station activities from the station owners to us. We are, therefore, not materially exposed to any financing, liquidity, market or credit risk that could arise if we had engaged in such relationships.

# Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

The Company's Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP, which require us to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements and reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the period. On an ongoing basis, we evaluate our estimates, including those related to goodwill and intangible assets, bad debts, broadcast rights, trade and barter and income taxes. We base our estimates on historical experience and on various other assumptions that we believe to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis for making judgments about the carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ from those estimates. Results of operations for interim periods are not necessarily indicative of results for the full year.

Information with respect to our critical accounting policies which we believe could have the most significant effect on our reported results and require subjective or complex judgments by management is contained in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011. Management believes that as of June 30, 2012 there has been no material change to this information.

# **Recent Accounting Pronouncements**

Refer to Note 2 of our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements in Part I, Item 1 of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for a discussion of recently issued accounting pronouncements, including our expected date of adoption and effects on results of operations and financial position.

#### Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q contains "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. All statements other than statements of historical fact are "forward-looking statements" for purposes of federal and state securities laws, including: any projections or expectations of earnings, revenue, financial performance, liquidity and capital resources or other financial items; any assumptions or projections about the television broadcasting industry; any statements of our plans, strategies and objectives for our future operations, performance, liquidity and capital resources or other financial items; any statements concerning proposed new products, services or developments; any statements regarding future economic conditions or performance; any statements of belief; and any statements of assumptions underlying any of the foregoing. Forward-looking statements may include the words "may," "will," "should," "could," "would," "predicts," "potential," "continue," "expects," "anticipates," "future," "intends," "plans," "believes," "estimational tems," "plans," "plans," "p

Although we believe that the expectations reflected in any of our forward-looking statements are reasonable, actual results could differ from this projection or assumption in any of our forward-looking statements. Our future financial position and results of operations, as well as any forward-looking statements, are subject to change and inherent risks and uncertainties, including those described in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011 and in our other filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The forward-looking statements made in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q are made only as of the date hereof, and we do not have or undertake any obligation to update any forward-looking statements to reflect subsequent events or circumstances unless otherwise required by law.

# ITEM 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

Interest Rate Risk

Our exposure to market risk for changes in interest rates relates primarily to our long-term debt obligations.

The term loan borrowings at June 30, 2012 under the Company's senior secured credit facilities bear interest at a rate of 5%, which represented the base rate, or LIBOR, plus the applicable margin, as defined. The revolving loans bear interest at LIBOR plus the applicable margin, which was 4.46% at June 30, 2012. Interest is payable in accordance with the credit agreements.

If LIBOR were to increase by 100 basis points, or one percentage point, from its June 30, 2012 level, the Company's annual interest expense would increase and cash flow from operations would decrease by approximately \$0.9 million, based on the outstanding balances of our and Mission's senior secured credit facilities as of June 30, 2012. Due to the LIBOR floor on our term loans, an increase of 50 basis points in LIBOR or any decrease in LIBOR would have a \$0.1 million impact on our operations and cash flows. Our 7% Notes, our 8.875% Notes and our 7% PIK Notes are fixed rate debt obligations and therefore are not exposed to market interest rate changes. As of June 30, 2012, we have no financial instruments in place to hedge against changes in the benchmark interest rates on the Company's senior secured credit facilities.

#### Impact of Inflation

We believe that our results of operations are not affected by moderate changes in the inflation rate.

ITEM 4. Controls and Procedures

Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

Nexstar's management, with the participation of its President and Chief Executive Officer along with its Chief Financial Officer, conducted an evaluation as of the end of the period covered by this report of the effectiveness of the design and operation of Nexstar's disclosure controls and procedures as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Based upon that evaluation, Nexstar's President and Chief Executive Officer and its Chief Financial Officer concluded that as of the end of the period covered by this report, Nexstar's disclosure controls and procedures were effective in ensuring that information required to be disclosed in the reports that it files or submits under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (i) is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms and (ii) is accumulated and communicated to Nexstar's management, including its President and Chief Executive Officer and its Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

During the quarterly period as of the end of the period covered by this report, there have been no changes in Nexstar's internal control over financial reporting that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, its internal control over financial reporting.

#### PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

ITEM 1. Legal Proceedings

From time to time, Nexstar and Mission are involved in litigation that arises from the ordinary operations of business, such as contractual or employment disputes or other general actions. In the event of an adverse outcome of these proceedings, Nexstar and Mission believe the resulting liabilities would not have a material adverse effect on Nexstar's and Mission's financial condition or results of operations.

ITEM 1A. Risk Factors

There are no material changes from the risk factors previously disclosed in Part I, Item 1A in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011.

ITEM 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of ProceedsNone.ITEM 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities

None.

ITEM 4. Mine Safety Disclosures

None.	
ITEM 5.	Other Information
None.	
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**Exhibits** 

ITEM 6.

Filed herewith

Exhibit No.	Description
10.1	Amendment of Option Agreement, dated as of May 1, 2012, by and between Mission Broadcasting, Inc. and Nexstar Broadcasting, Inc. (WAWV).*
10.2	Amendment of Option Agreement, dated as of June 1, 2012, by and between Mission Broadcasting, Inc. and Nexstar Broadcasting, Inc. (KRBC and KSAN).*
10.3	Asset Purchase Agreement, dated as of July 18, 2012, by and among Nexstar Broadcasting, Inc., Newport Television LLC and Newport Television License LLC. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 2.1 to Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 000-50478) filed by Nexstar Broadcasting Group, Inc. on July 24, 2012).
10.4	Asset Purchase Agreement, dated as of July 18, 2012, by and among Mission Broadcasting, Inc., Newport Television LLC and Newport Television License LLC. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 2.2 to Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 000-50478) filed by Nexstar Broadcasting Group, Inc. on July 24, 2012).
31.1	Certification of Perry A. Sook pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.*
31.2	Certification of Thomas E. Carter pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.*
32.1	Certification of Perry A. Sook pursuant to 18 U.S.C. ss. 1350.*
32.2	Certification of Thomas E. Carter pursuant to 18 U.S.C. ss. 1350.*

#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

# NEXSTAR BROADCASTING GROUP, INC.

/S/ PERRY A. SOOK

By: Perry A. Sook

Its: President and Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)

/S/ THOMAS E. CARTER

By: Thomas E. Carter

Its: Chief Financial Officer (Principal Accounting and Financial Officer)

Dated: August 8, 2012