# Bristol Broadcasting Company, Inc.

Stations WQBE-FM, WVSR-FM, WVTS-FM, WBES(AM), and WVTS(AM)
Comprising the Charleston Station Employment Unit
Annual EEO Public File Report

For the period of June 1, 2012 - May 31, 2013

The purpose of this Equal Employment Opportunity Public File Report ("Report") is to comply with the Federal Communications Commission's 2002 EEO Rule – 47 C.F.R. Section 73.2080(c)(6). This Report has been prepared on behalf of the Station Employment Unit ("SEU" or "Charleston SEU") that is comprised of the above captioned stations (all operated from offices in Charleston, West Virginia and all licensed to Bristol Broadcasting Company, Inc. ("Bristol")) and has been placed in the Public Inspection Files of these stations and posted on their websites as required.

The information contained in this Report covers the time period beginning on June 1, 2012, and ending on May 31, 2013 (the "Applicable Period").

The FCC's 2002 EEO Rule requires that this Report contain the following information:

- 1. A list of all full-time vacancies filled by the Stations comprising the Station Employment Unit during the Applicable Period;
- 2. For each such vacancy, the recruitment sources utilized to fill the vacancy (including, if applicable, organizations entitled to notification pursuant to Section 73.2080(c)(1)(iii) of the new EEO Rule, which should be separately identified), identified by name, address, contact person and telephone number;
- 3. The recruitment source that referred the hiree for each full-time vacancy during the Applicable Period:
- 4. Data reflecting the total number of persons interviewed for full-time vacancies during the Applicable Period and the total number of interviewees referred by each recruitment source utilized in connection with such vacancies; and
- 5. A list and brief description of the initiatives undertaken pursuant to Section 73.2080(c)(2) of the FCC Rules.
- 6. An analysis of the effectiveness of the SEU's EEO recruitment program.

Below is a recapitulation of the vacancies and recruitment activities and supplemental outreach initiatives that were undertaken by Bristol Broadcasting Company during the Applicable Period of this Annual Equal Employment Opportunity Report.

### **Vacancy Information**

A total of seven full-time vacancies were filled for the Charleston Station Employment Unit during the Applicable Period of this Report.

Full-Time Position Filled by Job Title	Recruitment Source of Hiree
Air Personality	AllAccess.com
Chief Engineer	Society of Broadcast Engineers Website
Sales Representative	Word-of-Mouth (Walk-in Applicant)
Regional/National Sales Representative	SEU Stations' Bulletin Board(s)
Receptionist	Express Personnel
Sales Representative	Job Fair
Sales Representative	On-air Announcement (SEU Stations)

### **Total Number of Interviewees**

Total number of persons interviewed during Applicable Period: 36.

## **Recruitment Source Information**

Notice of each of the full-time vacancies was posted on bulletin boards at the offices of the Charleston SEU, was aired on the stations in the Charleston Station Employment Unit, and was posted on the websites (via a hyperlink to the Bristol Broadcasting Company corporate website) of each of the stations in the Station Employment Unit. Job vacancy notices were also published in *The Charleston Gazette*<sup>1</sup>, a newspaper with substantial circulation in the Charleston area and on the website (in the "Jobs" section) of West Virginia Broadcasters Association. Each of these notices emphasized that Bristol Broadcasting Company is an equal opportunity employer. Additionally, notice of each of the full-time job openings was sent to the SEU's Specialized Recruitment Sources and to all organizations that had requested notice of such openings. A listing of these organizations is included below.

#### **Organizations That Have Requested Notice of Openings**

During the Applicable Period of this report, two additional entities requested to be included on the list of organizations that receive notice of job openings at the SEU. Each of these entities

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Help wanted postings placed in <u>The Charleston Gazette</u> were also automatically included in the newspaper's online edition and linked to other online sites. Several applicants learned of openings via these extended online postings.

was sent notices of all full-time vacancies that occurred after the date (see notation below) on which their request for notice was received. Bristol continues to invite organizations that routinely help with job placement to request notice of all vacancies at the SEU. Announcements aired over the Stations of the SEU and postings on the websites of the Stations give information about this service.

Below is the listing of the entities that have requested notice of openings:

Governor's Internship Program Attention: Eric Dyson State Capitol Complex Bldg 5 Room 205 1900 Kanawha Blvd. East Charleston, WV 25305 304-558-2440 Mountwest Community Tech Attention: Glenn Midkiff 304-710-3384 midkiff@mctc.edu (Requested E-mail Notice Only) Date of request: 1/17/2013 Kanawha County Workforce Investment Board Attention: Joseph Higgenbotham Box 89 St Albans, WV 25177 josephhiggenbotham@gmail.com Date of request: 2/1/2013

### **Specialized Recruitment Sources**

Below is a listing of the Specialized Recruitment Sources utilized by Bristol Broadcasting Company for each full-time vacancy. A notice of each vacancy was sent to each source along with a request that the notice be propagated to any qualified job seeker.

WV Career Transition Services 1401 5th Ave Box 16 Suite 319 Charleston, WV 25687

NAACP Attention: Carolyn E. Smoot P. O. Box 61 Charleston, WV 25321 (304) 766-6313

West Virginia State University Attention: Sherri Cox P. O. Box 1000 Campus Box 127 Institute, WV 25112 (304) 766-3250 Charleston Job Corps Center Attention: Mrs. Marty Miller 1000 Kannawa Drive Charleston, WV (304) 925-3200

Union Mission Ministries Attention: Mark Lowe/Lou Carrico P. O. Box 112 Charleston, WV 25321 (304) 925-0366

Work4WV

1321 Plaza East Charleston, WV 25325 (304) 558-0342 Marshall University Attention: Trish Gallagher P. O. Box 1360 Huntington, WV 25715 (304) 696-2370

University of Charleston Attention: Hannah Johnson 2300 MacCorkle Ave. SE Charleston, WV 25304 (304) 357-4777

YWCA Sojourners Attention: Deb Weinstein 1114 Quarrier Street Charleston, WV 25301 (304) 340-3555

Notice of the vacancies was also posted on www.AllAccess.com, an industry website that has a job bank listing that is viewed by numerous persons seeking employment in the broadcast industry. Additionally, notice of the opening for a chief engineer was posted on the website of the Society of Broadcast Engineers, and a local temporary placement service (Express Personnel) was given notice of the receptionist position opening.

Members of management of the Charleston SEU were also available to accept applications at each of the career fairs in which they participated (See "Supplemental Outreach Initiatives").

Chart Showing Total Number Interviewees by Source for Each Vacancy			
Full-Time Position	Recruitment Sources of Interviewees	Total Referred by Source	
Air Personality	AllAccess.com	2	
Chief Engineer	Society of Broadcast Engineers Website SEU Stations websites	8 2	
Sales Representative	Word-of-Mouth (Walk-in Applicant)	1	
Regional/National Sales Rep	The Charleston Gazette (and its online postings) WVAB website SEU Stations bulletin boards	2 1 1	
Receptionist	The Charleston Gazette (and its online postings) Word-of-Mouth (Walk-in Applicant) On-air Announcement (SEU Stations) SEU Stations websites Express Personnel	8 3 2 1 1	
Sales Representative	On-air Announcement (SEU Stations) Marshall University Job Fair	3 1	
Sales Representative <sup>2</sup>	(See above) <sup>2</sup>	(See above) <sup>2</sup>	

Total number of persons interviewed during Applicable Period: 36.

#### **Analysis of Interviewees by Source**

Bristol Broadcasting Company made an analysis of the number of interviewees that was provided by each recruitment source during the Applicable Period of this Report. That analysis is charted below:

AllAccess.com	The Charleston Gazette (and online)	SEU Stations Bulletin Boards
Number of Interviewees Provided: 2	Number of Interviewees Provided: 10	Number of Interviewees Provided: 1
SEU Stations websites	On-air Announcement (SEU Stations)	Word-of-Mouth (Walk-in Applicant)
Number of Interviewees Provided: 3	Number of Interviewees Provided: 5	Number of Interviewees Provided: 4
WVBA Website Number of Interviewees Provided: 1	Governor's Internship Program Number of Interviewees Provided: 0	YWCA Sojourners Number of Interviewees Provided: 0
Career Search, Inc.	Charleston Job Corps Center	Marshall University
Number of Interviewees Provided: 0	Number of Interviewees Provided: 0	Number of Interviewees Provided: 0
NAACP Number of Interviewees Provided: 0	Union Mission Ministries Number of Interviewees Provided: 0	University of Charleston Number of Interviewees Provided: 0
West Virginia State College	Work4WV	Applications Accepted at Career Fairs
Number of Interviewees Provided: 0	Number of Interviewees Provided: 0	Number of Interviewees Provided: 1
Society of Broadcast Engineers Number of Interviewees Provided: 8	Express Personnel Number of Interviewees Provided: 1	

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Two Sales Representative positions were filled during the same recruitment period and using the same pool of applicants, therefore the interviewees for both vacancies were tabulated together. A total of four persons were interviewed for the two vacancies.

#### **Analysis of Effective of EEO Recruitment Program**

To ensure the continued efficiency of the recruitment efforts of the Charleston SEU, Bristol Broadcasting Company, in conjunction with the preparation of this Annual EEO Public File Report, did an analysis of outreach achieved during the Applicable Period.

First, a review of the Specialized Recruitment Sources was completed. All the entities on the list were checked to verify that addresses were correct and contact individuals were up to date. No new entities were identified as possible candidates for the list. SEU management personnel determined that the list of Specialized Sources was diverse and concluded that broader outreach would not be enhanced by expanding the list.

Because of the unique skill-set requirements of the Chief Engineer position filled during the Applicable Period, the SEU asked for assistance from the Society of Broadcast Engineers in recruiting candidates for this position. This proved very fruitful with a significant number of applicants learning about the opening through this means. The SEU management noted that future recruitment for such specialized positions would likely require recruitment efforts beyond the usual to reach the largest pool of qualified individuals for the position.

Overall the analysis showed that recruitment efforts during the Applicable Period of this Report adequately disseminated information about each opening to qualified individuals. The SEU continued its ongoing effort to inform organizations that assist job seekers that they can be added to a list of entities that receive notifications of job vacancies at the SEU. This effort included on-air announcements on the Stations of the SEU and postings on its corporate website. The management of the Charleston SEU also continued to advise interested persons at career fairs, during station tours, and at other public opportunities to periodically check the "Employment" page on the Bristol Broadcasting Company website (hyperlinked from the websites of all of the SEU Stations) for job vacancy notices.

SEU management concluded that its recruitment efforts during the Applicable Period provided wide dissemination of notice of each of the job openings. For each opening a sufficient numbers of qualified applicants responded, and management believed that any qualified individual who would have had an interest in an open position at the SEU would have had ample opportunities to learn of such vacancy through one or more of the methods utilized in providing notice.

# **Supplemental Outreach Initiatives**

In addition to the recruitment activities undertaken for specific openings during the Applicable Period, the Charleston SEU completed the following Supplemental Outreach Initiatives seeking to provide increased awareness of employment opportunities in broadcasting and with Bristol Broadcasting Company:

Internship – Kent State University
 During the summer of 2012, an internship with a student at the Kent State University was established and successfully completed. This student observed members of the air staff as they performed their regular duties and was given training in the proper operation of studio audio equipment, audio editing software, and broadcast automation systems. SEU staff members including Program

Director Wade Thornhill and Operations Manager Jeff Whitehead helped the intern learn programming philosophy and the mechanics of a daily airshift. The intern was also allow to observe and participate with staff members at live remote broadcast events.

- Student Internship University of Charleston During the Applicable Period, the SEU also continued an internship with a student at the University of Charleston that was commenced and reported during the previous EEO Annual Public File Report period (See the 2012 EEO Annual Public File Report for the SEU).
- Marshall University Career Expo On October 6, 2012, the SEU participated in a Career Expo at Marshall University. Students attending the event were told about opportunities in the broadcasting industry and were afforded the opportunity to speak with SEU General Manager about Bristol Broadcasting Company's recruitment and hiring practices. Robinson stressed Bristol's EEO policies and advised the interested persons to visit the websites of the Stations of the SEU for postings for all full-time job openings. Robinson also advised those interested about then existing openings at the Charleston SEU.
- WVJC Career Services Advisory Group On December 6, 2012, SEU General Manager Mike Robinson participated in a meeting of the WVJC Office of Career Services and Cooperative Education Advisory Group. The group is tasked with evaluating the effectiveness of the university's efforts to move graduates into the mainstream workforce. Robinson offered guidance on how students can best be prepared for opportunities in the broadcast business.
- WVBA EEO Initiative
   SEU General Manager Mike Robinson attended a one-day EEO Initiatives educational seminar hosted by the West Virginia Broadcasters Association on February 23, 2013. The seminar focused on a review of FCC EEO policies especially stressing compliance with supplement recruitment requirements. West Virginia wage and hour laws relating to internships were also discussed.
- Spring Career Fair Marshall University On April 2, 2013, SEU representatives including General Manager Mike Robinson participated in the Marshall University Career Expo. At a manned a booth at the job fair interested persons were offered a pre-printed brochure about careers in broadcasting. Robinson discussed representative salaries and entry-level requirements for the broadcasting industry. He also made students aware of openings at Bristol Broadcasting Company and took applications from those who wished to be considered for the positions. Robinson also directed interested persons to the Bristol Broadcasting Company corporate website where all openings are listed for more information.
- VetSuccess Employment Expo Mountwest Community College
   On April 10, 2013, Bristol Broadcasting Company participated in the 2013 VetSuccess Employment Expo hosted by the Veterans Administration at Mountwest Community and Technical College. The purpose of the event was to help military veterans transition to the civil workforce. SEU General Manager Mike Robinson told those attending about opportunities in the broadcasting industry and about Bristol Broadcasting Company's recruitment and hiring practices. Robinson stressed Bristol's EEO policies and advised the veterans to visit the websites of the Stations of the SEU for postings for all full-time job openings. He also

explained the qualifications for and salary ranges to expect for various jobs in radio broadcasting.

- Co-Sponsor Career and Employment Expo at West Virginia State University

  The Charleston SEU co-sponsored and co-hosted the WVSU Career and Employment Expo on April 11, 2013, at West Virginia State University. Bristol Broadcasting Company contributed to advance planned and advertising of the event. Management of the SEU participated on the day of the expo by manning an information booth. SEU General Manager Mike Robinson was on hand to answer questions regarding Bristol Broadcasting Company's EEO Policies and recruitment practices and gave a pre-printed brochure detailing career opportunities in broadcasting to those interested. He also made attendees aware of Bristol's equal employment opportunity policies and encouraged them to periodically check the "Employment" page on the Bristol Broadcasting Company website (hyperlinked from the websites of all of the SEU Stations) for job vacancy notices. Applications from interested persons for open positions at Bristol Broadcasting Company were also taken.
- WVSU Career Services Advisory Group Throughout the Applicable Period Mike Robinson, SEU General Manager, participated as a member of the WVSU Office of Career Services and Cooperative Education Advisory Group during panel discussions focusing on ways to make local students aware of local job opportunities. Robinson focused his membership on the board to educate about career opportunities in the broadcasting business and made suggestion on how schools could better prepare students for those opportunities.
- Ohio University Lecture
   SEU Account Executive Matt Kaiser served as a lecturer and facilitator at the Ohio University Media Sales Institute on May 20-22, 2013, in a program sponsored by the National Association of Broadcasters Educational Foundation. Kaiser discussed radio sales basics and the sales process from prospecting to close. He also answered questions about sales careers in broadcasting and with Bristol Broadcasting Company. Participants were reminded to visit the Bristol Broadcasting Company corporate website for more information about openings and the company's EEO policies.
- <u>Outreach Awareness with WVBA</u> Throughout the Applicable Period of this Report, the Stations of the Charleston SEU continued airing announcements in cooperation with the West Virginia Broadcasters Association to encourage those interested in radio broadcasting as a career to visit the WVBA website for listings of vacancies at broadcast stations across the state and country. These announcements also were designed to provide greater awareness of job opportunities with Bristol Broadcasting Company. During the Applicable Period more than 1000 announcements were aired on each of the stations of the Charleston SEU.

Bristol Broadcasting Company, Inc., is committed to providing employment opportunities to all qualified applicants without regard to race, color, national origin, religion, or gender and will continue to pursue ways and means of widely disseminating information regarding job vacancies with the company.