WAAX-AM Gadsden, Alabama

Issues – Programs

2nd Quarter 2015 – April, May, June

Issue/Programs

**Ascertainment** 

**Procedures** 

Issues addressed reflect (a) observation by staff members and members of the station's management. (b) data drawn from newspapers, Public Service Material supplied by national, state and local sources, contacts with agencies representing local, state and national needs and issues (c) contact with management of other media organizations, and community leaders on the municipal, county, state and national levels, and (d) issues are also ascertained through contacts with industrial organizations the station maintains membership with: The National Association of Broadcasters, The Alabama Association of Broadcasters, The Etowah Chamber of Commerce, The Calhoun County Chamber of Commerce, Keep Etowah Beautiful, and Kiwanis.

As a result of these and other methods of ongoing ascertainment, programs are selected that provide current and comprehensive content to address the issues identified. Programs are aired to address community issues as they are ascertained. The programs broadcast during the current review period are listed in this exhibit.

FAMILY: The family is the basic building block of our society and the traditional family is one of the most besieged institutions in America. Families need help because of the overwhelming demands placed on the family unit by our society. Several sub-issues present themselves when we look at the contemporary family, among those are health issues, domestic violence, education, housing, etc.

SENION CITIZENS: A large majority of our national and local population are now moving into senior citizen status. As baby boomers ages, more and more community programs will begin to focus on the needs and concerns of this segment of our society.

ARTS AND EDUCATION: Our local area is very strong when it comes to quality education and the availability of cultural and artist opportunities. Our radio stations strongly support these important aspects of our community through our support of the Mary G. Hardin Center for Cultural Arts, Gadsden Symphony Orchestra, Etowah Youth Symphony Orchestra, Gadsden Museum of Art, and other organizations throughout the listening area.

COMMUNITY: There is a very strong sense of community throughout our listening area and there are many community events always on tap for any given weekend or special day. Our radio stations show support for the community by participating in many of these events as sponsors, exhibitors, or just as a place for the details of the events to be announced to the public.

## Section I LOCAL PROGRAMS

ISSUES	PROGRAM	TOPIC/GUESTS	LEN	DATE	TIME
Family	Dave Mack	Downtown Gadsden Inc., upcoming events			
		Guest: Kay Moore	12min	4/2	7:35a
Family	Dave Mack	Etowah Humane Society & Adoption			
		Center - Guest: Christie Brown	5 min	4/2	7:50a
Government	Dave Mack	Alabama Government – Guest: Mack Butler	· 10min	4/3	7:05a
Government	Dave Mack	State Senate – Guest: Phil Williams	10min	4/7	6:45a
Government	Dave Mack	The Constitution – Guest: James Shellnut	15min	4/22	7:35a
Family	Dave Mack	Etowah Humane Society & Adoption			
		Center - Guest: Christie Brown	5min	5/7	7:50a
Family	Dave Mack	Downtown Gadsden Inc events:			
		Guest: Kay Moore	10min	5/8	7:35a
Government	Dave Mack	State Assembly - Montgomery			
		Activities Guest: Mack Butler	10min	5/27	7:05a
Family	Dave Mack	Etowah Humane Society Adoption			
		Center - Guest: Christie Brown	5 min	6/4	7:50a
Family	Dave Mack	Downtown Gadsden Inc events			
		Guest: Kay Moore	10mir	n 6/5	7:35a
Government	Dave Mack	State Government – Guest: Mack Butler	10min	6/16	7:05a

## VIEWPOINT ALABAMA

Various ViewPoint Alabama (30 min) – Airs Sundays at 7:30am

Network public affairs program from ARN dealing with local issues. Hosted by Leah Brandon.

## Section II

## **Special Notes and Events**

WAAX and WGMZ staff member volunteer many hours of their personal time for many events and groups throughout our coverage area. They serve on boards, planning committees, and more.