

## CHRIS GILPATRIC Vice President, Distribution

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## Re: **TEGNA Election of Retransmission Consent Status** KHOU, Houston, TX / KTBU, Conroe, TX KBMT, Beaumont, TX

Dear Mr. Workman:

I write regarding the notifications we received on August 25, 2021, from Vivicast Media, on behalf of Rural Telecommunications of America ("RTA"). The notices state that RTA intends to commence operation of new IPTV cable television systems in the Houston and Beaumont-Port Arthur DMAs on or about November 1, 2021.

TEGNA Inc. ("TEGNA"), through its subsidiaries KHOU-TV, Inc., and LSB Broadcasting, Inc. (the "Licensees"), owns KHOU, Houston, TX and KTBU, Conroe, TX, in the Houston DMA, and KBMT, Beaumont, TX, in the Beaumont-Port Arthur DMA (each a "Station," and together, the "Stations"). TEGNA, on behalf of Licensees, hereby gives notice to RTA that the Licensees elect retransmission consent status for each of the Stations pursuant to Section 325(b)(3)(B) of the Communications Act and Section 76.64(k) of the rules of the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC"). This election applies to all cable and other video distribution systems that RTA or its affiliated entities own, operate, or manage. Accordingly, pursuant to Section 325(b)(1)(A) of the Communications Act and Section 76.64(a) of the FCC's rules, no Station's broadcast signal may be carried on RTA's cable or other multichannel video programming distribution systems without Licensee's express written consent pursuant to a retransmission consent agreement. This election of retransmission consent applies for the period January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2023.

Should you wish to negotiate a retransmission consent agreement authorizing RTA's carriage of the Stations, or should you have any other questions on this matter, please contact me at (703) 873-6719, or by e-mail at retransmission@tegna.com.

Sincerely.

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