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(Mark One)

- **DESCRIPTION 13 AND 15(D) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 FOR THE QUARTER ENDED MARCH 31, 2006**
- o TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 FOR THE TRANSITION PERIOD FROM \_\_\_\_\_

### Commission file number 1-9645 CLEAR CHANNEL COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Texas 74-1787539

(State of Incorporation) (I.R.S. Employer Identification

No.)

200 East Basse Road San Antonio, Texas

(Address of principal executive offices)

78209

(Zip Code)

(210) 822-2828

(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 the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

Yes b No o

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, or a non-accelerated filer. See definition of accelerated filer and large accelerated filer in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check One): Large accelerated filer by Accelerated filer o Non-accelerated filer o

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

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each class of the issuer s classes of common stock, as of the latest practicable date.

Class

Outstanding at May 5, 2006

Common Stock, \$.10 par value

503,262,128

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#### **PART I**

# Item 1. UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS CLEAR CHANNEL COMMUNICATIONS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

#### **ASSETS**

(In thousands)

	March 31, 2006 Unaudited)	D	ecember 31, 2005 (Audited)
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 89,636	\$	82,786
Accounts receivable, net of allowance of \$48,509 in 2006 and \$47,061 in			
2005	1,393,787		1,505,650
Prepaid expenses	127,436		114,452
Other current assets	294,899		278,294
Income taxes receivable	302,001		417,112
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	2,207,759		2,398,294
PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT			
Land, buildings and improvements	883,987		863,133
Structures	3,361,488		3,327,326
Towers, transmitters and studio equipment	865,084		881,070
Furniture and other equipment	549,165		599,296
Construction in progress	86,947		91,789
	5,746,671		5,762,614
Less accumulated depreciation	2,524,583		2,506,965
less accumulated depreciation	2,324,363		2,300,903
	3,222,088		3,255,649
INTANGIBLE ASSETS			
Definite-lived intangibles, net	454,801		480,790
Indefinite-lived intangibles licenses	4,309,190		4,312,570
Indefinite-lived intangibles permits	270,899		207,921
Goodwill	7,161,374		7,111,948
OTHER ASSETS			
Notes receivable	6,825		8,745
Investments in, and advances to, nonconsolidated affiliates	300,754		300,223
Other assets	276,187		302,655
Other investments	292,242		324,581
Total Assets	\$ 18,502,119	\$	18,703,376

See Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

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# CLEAR CHANNEL COMMUNICATIONS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY (In thousands)

	March 31, 2006 (Unaudited)		ecember 31, 2005 (Audited)
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Accounts payable	\$	147,823	\$ 250,563
Accrued expenses		767,959	731,105
Accrued interest		106,074	97,515
Current portion of long-term debt		1,135,261	891,185
Deferred income		154,004	116,670
Other current liabilities		18,249	20,275
Total Current Liabilities		2,329,370	2,107,313
Long-term debt		6,520,373	6,155,363
Other long-term obligations		95,026	119,655
Deferred income taxes		585,776	528,259
Other long-term liabilities		695,901	675,962
Minority interest		290,046	290,362
Commitment and contingent liabilities (Note 7)			
SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY			
Common Stock		50,927	53,829
Additional paid-in capital		27,095,759	27,945,725
Retained deficit		(19,370,065)	(19,371,411)
Accumulated other comprehensive income		212,523	201,928
Cost of shares held in treasury		(3,517)	(3,609)
Total Shareholders Equity		7,985,627	8,826,462
Total Liabilities and Shareholders Equity	\$	18,502,119	\$ 18,703,376

See Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

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# CLEAR CHANNEL COMMUNICATIONS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (UNAUDITED)

(In thousands, except per share data)

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2006 2005			•
Revenue	\$	1,504,382	\$	1,447,810
Operating expenses:				
Direct operating expenses (includes share based payments of \$4,316 and				
\$212 in 2006 and 2005, respectively, and excludes depreciation and				
amortization)		612,786		588,082
Selling, general and administrative expenses (includes share based				
payments of \$4,450 and \$0 in 2006 and 2005, respectively, and excludes		472 140		156 751
depreciation and amortization)  Depreciation and amortization		473,148 151,290		456,754 155,395
Corporate expenses (includes share based payments of \$3,403 and \$1,289		131,290		133,393
in 2006 and 2005, respectively, and excludes depreciation and				
amortization)		41,524		35,967
Gain on disposition of assets net		47,510		925
		,=		
Operating income		273,144		212,537
Interest expense		114,376		106,649
Gain (loss) on marketable securities		(2,324)		(1,073)
Equity in earnings of nonconsolidated affiliates		6,909		5,633
Other income (expense) net		(583)		1,440
Income before income taxes, minority interest, and discontinued operations Income tax benefit (expense):		162,770		111,888
Current		(3,273)		(10,030)
Deferred		(63,463)		(34,166)
Income tax benefit (expense)		(66,736)		(44,196)
Minority interest income (expense), net of tax		780		(574)
vimority interest income (expense), net of the		700		(374)
Income before discontinued operations		96,814		67,118
Loss from discontinued operations, net				(19,236)
Net income	\$	96,814	\$	47,882
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax:				
Foreign currency translation adjustments Unrealized gain (loss) on securities and derivatives:		9,089		(53,229)
Unrealized holding gain (loss) on marketable securities		(24,058)		(31,031)
Unrealized holding gain (loss) on cash flow derivatives		25,564		29,748
Adjustment for (gain) loss included in net income (loss)				
Comprehensive income (loss)	\$	107,409	\$	(6,630)

Net income per common share: Income before discontinued operations Discontinued operations Basic	Basic	\$	.19	\$ .12 (.03)
Net income Basic		\$	.19	\$ .09
Income before discontinued operations Discontinued operations Diluted	Diluted	\$	.19	\$ .12 (.03)
Net income Diluted		\$	.19	\$ .09
Dividends declared per share  See 1	Notes to Consolidated Financial Stateme - 5 -	\$ ents	.1875	\$ .125

# CLEAR CHANNEL COMMUNICATIONS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (UNAUDITED) (In thousands)

	Three Months Ended March 2006 200			Iarch 31, 2005
Cash Flows from operating activities:				
Net income	\$	96,814	\$	47,882
Add: Loss from discontinued operations, net				19,236
		96,814		67,118
Reconciling Items:				
Depreciation and amortization		151,290		155,395
Deferred taxes		63,463		34,166
(Gain) loss on disposal of assets		(47,510)		(925)
(Gain) loss forward exchange contract		8,798		731
(Gain) loss on trading securities		(6,474)		342
Increase (decrease) other net		3,004		(3,129)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:				
Decrease in accrued income taxes receivable		118,120		
Decrease in accrued income taxes payable				(10,136)
Changes in other operating assets and liabilities, net of effects of				
acquisitions		57,207		70,110
Net cash provided by operating activities		444,712		313,672
Cash flows from investing activities:				
Decrease (increase) in notes receivable net		1,920		54
Decrease (increase) in investments in and advances to nonconsolidated				
affiliates net		2,710		3,039
Purchases of investments				(125)
Proceeds from sale of investments				370
Purchases of property, plant and equipment		(64,125)		(58,936)
Proceeds from disposal of assets		44,217		4,274
Acquisition of operating assets, net of cash acquired		(61,452)		(16,257)
Decrease (increase) in other-net		(20,558)		25,687
Net cash used in investing activities		(97,288)		(41,894)
Cash flows from financing activities:				
Draws on credit facilities		1,054,007		469,165
Payments on credit facilities		(926,772)		(72,650)
Proceeds from long-term debt		508,849		
Payments on long-term debt		(9,189)		
Payments for purchase of common shares		(876,316)		(593,856)
Proceeds from exercise of stock options, stock purchase plan, common stock				
warrants, and other		9,756		15,471

Dividends paid		(100,909)		(70,934)
Net cash used in financing activities		(340,574)		(252,804)
Cash flows from discontinued operations:  Net cash provided by operating activities  Net cash used in investing activities  Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities				22,862 (23,606)
Net cash used in discontinued operations				(744)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		6,850		18,230
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period		82,786		31,339
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$	89,636	\$	49,569
See Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements - 6 -				

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## CLEAR CHANNEL COMMUNICATIONS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED)

Note 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Preparation of Interim Financial Statements

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared by Clear Channel Communications, Inc. (the Company ) pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and, in the opinion of management, include all adjustments (consisting of normal recurring accruals and adjustments necessary for adoption of new accounting standards) necessary to present fairly the results of the interim periods shown. Certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States have been condensed or omitted pursuant to such SEC rules and regulations. Management believes that the disclosures made are adequate to make the information presented not misleading. Due to seasonality and other factors, the results for the interim periods are not necessarily indicative of results for the full year. The financial statements contained herein should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included in the Company s 2005 Annual Report on Form 10-K. The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its subsidiaries. Investments in companies in which the Company owns 20 percent to 50 percent of the voting common stock or otherwise exercises significant influence over operating and financial policies of the company are accounted for under the equity method. All significant intercompany transactions are eliminated in the consolidation process.

#### Certain Reclassifications

The Company has reclassified prior year operating gains and losses to be included as a component of operating income, reclassified non-cash compensation to be included in the same operating expense line items as cash compensation, reclassified minority interest expense below its provision for income taxes and reclassified certain other assets to current assets to conform to current year presentation. The Company completed the spin-off of Live Nation on December 21, 2005. The historical results of Live Nation have been reflected as discontinued operations in the underlying financial statements and related disclosures for all periods presented. As a result, the historical footnote disclosures have been revised to exclude amounts related to Live Nation. Revenue of \$440.8 million and a net loss of \$31.8 million before income tax benefit of \$12.6 million is included in discontinued operations for Live Nation during the three months ended March 31, 2005.

#### **Recent Accounting Pronouncements**

In February 2006, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Statement No. 155, Accounting for Certain Hybrid Financial Instruments (Statement 155). Statement 155 is an amendment of FASB Statement No. 133, Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities (Statement 133) and FASB Statement 140, Accounting for Transfers and Servicing of Financial Assets and Extinguishments of Liabilities (Statement 140) and allows companies to elect to measure at fair value entire financial instruments containing embedded derivatives that would otherwise have to be accounted for separately. Statement 155 also requires companies to identify interest in securitized financial assets that are freestanding derivatives or contain embedded derivatives that would have to be accounted for separately, clarifies which interest- and principal-only strips are subject to Statement 133, and amends Statement 140 to revise the conditions of a qualifying special purpose entity due to the new requirement to identify whether interests in securitized financial assets are freestanding derivatives or contain embedded derivatives. Statement 155 is effective for all financial instruments acquired or issued in fiscal years beginning after September 15, 2006. The Company will adopt Statement 155 on January 1, 2007 and anticipates that adoption will not materially impact its financial position or results of operations.

#### Note 2: SHARE BASED PAYMENTS

The Company has granted options to purchase its common stock to employees and directors of the Company and its affiliates under various stock option plans at no less than the fair market value of the underlying stock on the date of grant. These options are granted for a term not exceeding ten years and are forfeited, except in certain circumstances, in the event the employee or director terminates his or her employment or relationship with the Company or one of its affiliates. These options generally vest over three to five years. All option plans contain anti-dilutive provisions that

permit an adjustment of the number of shares of the Company s common stock represented by each option for any change in capitalization.

The Company adopted the fair value recognition provisions of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123(R), *Share-Based Payment* (Statement 123(R)), on January 1, 2006, using the modified-prospective-transition method. The fair value of the options is estimated using a Black-Scholes option-pricing model and amortized straight-line to expense over five years. Prior to adoption of

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Statement 123(R), the Company accounted for share based payments under the recognition and measurement provisions of APB Opinion No. 25, Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees (APB 25), and related Interpretations, as permitted by Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123, Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation ( Statement 123 ). The Company did not recognize employee compensation cost related to its stock option grants in its Consolidated Statement of Operations prior to adoption of Statement 123(R), as all options granted had an exercise price equal to the market value of the underlying common stock on the date of grant. The amounts recorded as share based payments prior to adopting Statement 123(R) primarily related to the expense associated with restricted stock awards. Under the modified-prospective-transition method, compensation cost recognized beginning in 2006 includes: (a) compensation cost for all share-based payments granted prior to, but not yet vested as of January 1, 2006, based on the grant date fair value estimated in accordance with the original provisions of Statement 123, and (b) compensation cost for all share-based payments granted subsequent to January 1, 2006, based on the grant-date fair value estimated in accordance with the provisions of Statement 123(R). Results for prior periods have not been restated. As a result of adopting Statement 123(R), the Company s income before income taxes, minority interest and discontinued operations and net income for the three months ended March 31, 2006, was \$8.5 million and \$5.0 million lower, respectively, than if it had continued to account for share-based compensation under APB 25. Basic and diluted earnings per share for the three months ended March 31, 2006 would have been \$0.20 and \$0.20, respectively, if the Company had not adopted Statement 123(R), compared to reported basic and diluted earnings per share of \$0.19 and \$0.19, respectively.

Prior to the adoption of Statement 123(R), the Company presented all tax benefits of deductions resulting from the exercise of stock options as operating cash flows in the Statement of Cash Flows. Statement 123(R) requires the cash flows resulting from the tax benefits resulting from tax deductions in excess of the compensation cost recognized for those options (excess tax benefits) to be classified as financing cash flows. The excess tax benefit of \$0.9 million classified as a financing cash inflow would have been classified as an operating cash flow if the Company had not adopted Statement 123(R).

The following table illustrates the effect on net income and earnings per share for the three months ended March 31, 2005 as if the company had applied the fair value recognition provisions of Statement 123 to options granted under the company s stock option plans in all periods presented. For purposes of this pro forma disclosure, the value of the options is estimated using a Black-Scholes option-pricing model and amortized to expense over the options vesting periods.

(In thousands, except per share data)	M	Iarch 31, 2005
Income before discontinued operations:  Reported  Add: Stock-based employee compensation expense included in reported net income, net of related	\$	67,118
tax effects  Deduct: Total stock-based employee compensation expense determined under fair value based method for all awards, net of related tax effects		908 8,564
Pro Forma	\$	59,462
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net:  Reported  Add, Stock based employee companyation expanse included in reported not income not of related.	\$	(19,236)
Add: Stock-based employee compensation expense included in reported net income, net of related tax effects  Deduct: Total stock-based employee compensation expense determined under fair value based		159
method for all awards, net of related tax effects		1,493

Pro Forma \$ (20,570)

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(In thousands, except per share data) Income before discontinued operations per common share:		rch 31, 2005
Basic:	Φ.	10
Reported	\$	.12
Pro Forma	\$	.11
Diluted:		
Reported	\$	.12
Pro Forma	\$	.12
rio Polilia	Φ	.11
Discontinued operations, net per common share:		
Basic:		
Reported	\$	(.03)
Pro Forma	\$	(.04)
Diluted:		
Reported	\$	(.03)
Pro Forma	\$	(.04)

The fair value of each option awarded is estimated on the date of grant using a Black-Scholes option-pricing model. Expected volatilities are based on implied volatilities from traded options on the Company s stock, historical volatility on the Company s stock, and other factors. The Company uses historical data to estimate option exercises and employee terminations within the valuation model. Prior to the adoption of Statement 123(R), the Company recognized forfeitures as they occurred in its Statement 123 pro forma disclosures. Beginning January 1, 2006, the Company includes estimated forfeitures in its compensation cost and updates the estimated forfeiture rate through the final vesting date of awards. The expected life is based on historical data of options granted and represents the period of time that options granted are expected to be outstanding. The risk free rate for periods within the life of the option is based on the U.S. Treasury yield curve in effect at the time of grant. The following assumptions were used to calculate the fair value of the Company s options on the date of grant during the three months ended March 31, 2006 and 2005:

	2006	2005
Risk-free interest rate	4.61% - 4.68%	3.76% - 4.09%
Dividend yield	2.61%	1.46% - 1.59%
Volatility factors	25%	25%
Expected life in years	5.0 7.5	5.0 - 7.5

The following table presents a summary of the Company s stock options outstanding at and stock option activity during the three months ended March 31, 2006 (Price reflects the weighted average exercise price per share):

			Weighted Average Remaining Contractual	Aggregate Intrinsic
(In thousands, except per share data)	Options	Price	Term	Value
Outstanding, beginning of year	42,696	\$ 41.34		
Granted	15	28.70		
Exercised (1)	(598)	17.61		
Forfeited	(438)	36.13		

Expired	(1,306)	46.04		
Outstanding, March 31	40,369	41.49	3.8	\$ 32,675
Exercisable, March 31 Weighted average fair value per option granted	29,717 \$ 7.17	43.90	2.9	\$ 32,379

#### (1) Cash received

from option

exercises for the

three months

ended

March 31, 2006

and 2005 was

\$10.5 million

and

\$13.5 million,

respectively.

The Company

received an

income tax

benefit of

\$1.8 million and

\$0.04 million

relating to the

options

exercised during

the three months

ended

March 31, 2006

and 2005,

respectively.

The weighted average grant date fair value of options granted during the three months ended March 31, 2006 and 2005 was \$7.17 and \$8.53, respectively. The total intrinsic value of options exercised during the three months ended March 31, 2006 and 2005 was \$7.0 million and \$5.9 million, respectively.

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A summary of the Company s nonvested options at December 31, 2005, and changes during the three months ended March 31, 2006, is presented below:

		W	eighted	
		Average		
		Gra	ant Date	
(In thousands, except per share data)	Options	Fai	ir Value	
Nonvested, beginning of year	13,086	\$	15.03	
Granted	15		7.17	
Vested	(2,011)		25.95	
Forfeited	(438)		13.84	
Nonvested, March 31	10,652		13.04	

There were 34.5 million shares available for future grants under the various option plans at March 31, 2006. Vesting dates range from February 1996 to December 2010, and expiration dates range from April 2006 to December 2015 at exercise prices and average contractual lives as follows:

(In thousands of shares)		Weighted			
		Average	Weighted		Weighted
	Outstanding	Remaining	Average	Exercisable	Average
	as of	Contractual	Exercise	as of	Exercise
Range of Exercise Prices	3/31/06	Life	Price	3/31/06	Price
\$ .01 \$10.00	690	3.4	\$ 5.90	690	\$ 5.90
10.01 20.00	401	.8	15.66	401	15.66
20.01 30.00	3,373	2.2	25.75	3,233	25.70
30.01 40.00	10,734	6.3	32.55	2,381	33.12
40.01 50.00	18,834	3.0	44.94	16,736	45.04
50.01 60.00	3,755	3.7	55.35	3,694	55.38
60.01 70.00	2,002	1.9	64.49	2,002	64.49
70.01 80.00	529	4.1	76.57	529	76.57
80.01 91.35	51	.9	85.99	51	85.99
	40,369	3.8	41.49	29,717	43.90

#### **Restricted Stock Awards**

The Company began granting restricted stock awards to employees and directors of the Company and its affiliates in 2003. These common shares hold a legend which restricts their transferability for a term of from three to five years and are forfeited, except in certain circumstances, in the event the employee terminates his or her employment or relationship with the Company prior to the lapse of the restriction. The restricted stock awards were granted out of the Company s stock option plans. Recipients of the restricted stock awards are entitled to all cash dividends as of the date the award was granted.

The following table presents a summary of the Company's restricted stock outstanding at and restricted stock activity during the three months ended March 31, 2006 (Price reflects the weighted average share price at the date of grant):

	2	2006
(In thousands, except per share data)	Awards	Price
Outstanding, beginning of year	2,452	\$ 32.62
Granted	3	28.70

Vested (restriction lapsed)

Forfeited (46) 32.24

Outstanding, March 31 2,409 32.62

#### Subsidiary share based awards

Clear Channel Outdoor Holdings, Inc. ( CCO ), the Company s 90% owned subsidiary, grants options to purchase shares of its Class A common stock to its employees and directors and its affiliates under its incentive stock plan at no less than the fair market value of the underlying stock on the date of grant. These options are granted for a term not exceeding ten years and are forfeited, except in certain circumstances, in the event the employee or director terminates his or her employment or relationship with CCO or one of its

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affiliates. These options generally vest over three to five years. The incentive stock plan contains anti-dilutive provisions that permit an adjustment of the number of shares of CCO s common stock represented by each option for any change in capitalization.

Prior to the Initial Public Offering ( IPO ), CCO did not have any compensation plans under which it granted stock awards to employees. However, the Company had granted certain of CCO s officers and other key employees stock options to purchase shares of the Company s common stock. All prior options granted to CCO employees were converted into options to purchase CCO Class A common shares concurrent with the closing of the IPO. The fair value of each option awarded is estimated on the date of grant using a Black-Scholes option-pricing model. Expected volatilities are based on implied volatilities from traded options on CCO s stock, historical volatility on CCO s stock, and other factors. CCO uses historical data to estimate option exercises and employee terminations within the valuation model. Prior to the adoption of Statement 123(R), the Company recognized forfeitures as they occurred in its Statement 123 pro forma disclosures. Beginning January 1, 2006, the Company includes estimated forfeitures in its compensation cost and updates the estimated forfeiture rate through the final vesting date of awards. The expected life is based on historical data of options granted and represents the period of time that options granted are expected to be outstanding. The risk free rate for periods within the life of the option is based on the U.S. Treasury yield curve in effect at the time of grant. The following assumptions were used to calculate the fair value of the CCO s options on the date of grant during the three months ended March 31, 2006:

Risk-free interest rate	4.58% - 4.64%
Dividend yield	0%
Volatility factors	27%
Expected life in years	5.0 7.5

The following table presents a summary of CCO s stock options outstanding at and stock option activity during the three months ended March 31, 2006 ( Price reflects the weighted average exercise price per share):

		Weighted Average Remaining Contractual	Aggregate Intrinsic
Options	Price	Term	Value
8,509	\$24.05		
177	19.85		
(26)	21.23		
(258)	31.14		
8,402	23.71	4.8	\$21,937
3,236	29.80	2.6	\$ 756
\$ 6.55			
	8,509 177 (26) (258) 8,402 3,236	8,509 \$24.05 177 19.85 (26) 21.23 (258) 31.14 8,402 23.71 3,236 29.80	Average Remaining Contractual  Options 8,509 \$24.05 177 19.85  (26) 21.23 (258) 31.14  8,402 23.71 4.8  3,236 29.80 2.6

A summary of CCO s nonvested options at December 31, 2005, and changes during the three months ended March 31, 2006, is presented below:

		We	eighted
		Av	erage
		Gra	nt Date
(In thousands, except per share data)	Options	Fair	r Value
Nonvested, beginning of year	5,634	\$	4.56
Granted	177		6.55

Vested Forfeited	(619) (26)	.94 4.40
Nonvested, March 31	5,166	5.05
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There were 33.4 million shares available for future grants under CCO s option plan at March 31, 2006. Vesting dates range from April 2004 to February 2011, and expiration dates range from April 2006 to February 2016 at exercise prices and average contractual lives as follows:

(In thousands of shares)		Weighted			
		Average	Weighted		Weighted
	Outstanding	Remaining	Average	Exercisable	Average
	as of	Contractual	Exercise	as of	Exercise
Range of Exercise Prices	3/31/06	Life	Price	3/31/06	Price
\$15.01 \$20.00	3,479	7.0	\$17.97	43	\$17.20
20.01 25.00	1,181	4.6	21.06	230	21.51
25.01 30.00	2,283	3.3	26.12	1,608	26.03
30.01 35.00	797	2.8	32.72	693	32.89
35.01 40.00	509	.9	37.93	509	37.93
40.01 45.00	114	3.9	42.80	114	42.80
45.01 50.00	39	.7	49.52	39	49.52
	8,402	4.8	23.71	3,236	29.80

CCO also grants restricted stock awards to employees and directors of CCO and its affiliates. These common shares hold a legend which restricts their transferability for a term of from three to five years and are forfeited, except in certain circumstances, in the event the employee terminates his or her employment or relationship with CCO prior to the lapse of the restriction. The restricted stock awards were granted out of the CCO s stock option plan. The following table presents a summary of CCO s restricted stock outstanding at and restricted stock activity during the three months ended March 31, 2006 (Price reflects the weighted average share price at the date of grant):

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(In thousands, except per share data)	Awards	Price
Outstanding, beginning of year	236	\$ 18.00
Granted	5	19.85
Vested (restriction lapsed)		
Forfeited	(1)	18.00
Outstanding, March 31	240	18.04

#### Unrecognized share based compensation cost

As of March 31, 2006, there was \$64.5 million of unrecognized compensation cost related to nonvested share-based compensation arrangements. The cost is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of approximately three years.

#### Note 3: INTANGIBLE ASSETS AND GOODWILL

The Company has definite-lived intangible assets which consist primarily of transit and street furniture contracts and other contractual rights in the outdoor segments, talent and program right contracts in the radio segment, and contracts for non-affiliated radio and television stations in the Company s media representation operations, all of which are amortized over the respective lives of the agreements. Other definite-lived intangible assets are amortized over the period of time the assets are expected to contribute directly or indirectly to the Company s future cash flows.

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The following table presents the gross carrying amount and accumulated amortization for each major class of definite-lived intangible assets at March 31, 2006 and December 31, 2005:

	March 31, 2006			December 31, 2005			005	
	Gross			Gross				
		Carrying	Ac	cumulated	(	Carrying	Acc	cumulated
(In thousands)	Amount		Amount Amortization		Amount		Amortization	
Transit, street furniture, and other outdoor								
contractual rights	\$	660,952	\$	428,971	\$	651,455	\$	408,018
Talent contracts		125,270		103,023		202,161		175,553
Representation contracts		317,181		143,711		313,004		133,987
Other		96,713		69,610		135,782		104,054
Total	\$	1,200,116	\$	745,315	\$	1,302,402	\$	821,612

Total amortization expense from definite-lived intangible assets for the three months ended March 31, 2006 and for the year ended December 31, 2005 was \$35.3 million and \$154.2 million, respectively. The following table presents the Company s estimate of amortization expense for each of the five succeeding fiscal years for definite-lived intangible assets:

(In thousands)	
2007	\$ 84,729
2008	48,064
2009	41,258
2010	29,337
2011	24,218

As acquisitions and dispositions occur in the future and as purchase price allocations are finalized, amortization expense may vary.

The Company s indefinite-lived intangible assets consist of FCC broadcast licenses and billboard permits. FCC broadcast licenses are granted to both radio and television stations for up to eight years under the Telecommunications Act of 1996. The Act requires the FCC to renew a broadcast license if: it finds that the station has served the public interest, convenience and necessity; there have been no serious violations of either the Communications Act of 1934 or the FCC s rules and regulations by the licensee; and there have been no other serious violations which taken together constitute a pattern of abuse. The licenses may be renewed indefinitely at little or no cost. The Company does not believe that the technology of wireless broadcasting will be replaced in the foreseeable future. The Company s billboard permits are issued in perpetuity by state and local governments and are transferable or renewable at little or no cost. Permits typically include the location for which the permit allows the Company the right to operate an advertising structure. The Company s permits are located on either owned or leased land. In cases where the Company s permits are located on leased land, the leases are typically from 10 to 30 years and renew indefinitely, with rental payments generally escalating at an inflation based index. If the Company loses its lease, the Company will typically obtain permission to relocate the permit or bank it with the municipality for future use.

The Company does not amortize its FCC broadcast licenses or billboard permits. The Company tests these indefinite-lived intangible assets for impairment at least annually using the direct method. Under the direct method, it is assumed that rather than acquiring indefinite-lived intangible assets as a part of a going concern business, the buyer hypothetically obtains indefinite-lived intangible assets and builds a new operation with similar attributes from scratch. Thus, the buyer incurs start-up costs during the build-up phase which are normally associated with going concern value. Initial capital costs are deducted from the discounted cash flows model which results in value that is directly attributable to the indefinite-lived intangible assets.

Under the direct method, the Company continues to aggregate its indefinite-lived intangible assets at the market level for purposes of impairment testing. The Company s key assumptions using the direct method are market revenue growth rates, market share, profit margin, duration and profile of the build-up period, estimated start-up capital costs and losses incurred during the build-up period, the risk-adjusted discount rate and terminal values. This data is populated using industry normalized information.

#### Goodwill

The Company tests goodwill for impairment using a two-step process. The first step, used to screen for potential impairment, compares the fair value of the reporting unit with its carrying amount, including goodwill. The second step, used to measure the amount of the impairment loss, compares the implied fair value of the reporting unit goodwill with the carrying amount of that goodwill. The following table presents the changes in the carrying amount of goodwill in each of the Company s reportable segments for the three-month period ended March 31, 2006:

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(In thousands)	Radio	Americas Outdoor	International Outdoor	Other	Total
Balance as of December 31,					
2005	\$ 6,321,394	\$ 405,964	\$ 343,611	\$ 40,979	\$ 7,111,948
Acquisitions	2,830	42,296	1,698		46,824
Dispositions	(2,433)	(57)			(2,490)
Foreign currency			5,632		5,632
Adjustments	(854)		309	5	(540)
Balance as of March 31, 2006	\$ 6,320,937	\$ 448,203	\$ 351,250	\$ 40,984	\$ 7,161,374

#### Note 4: DERIVATIVE INSTRUMENTS

The Company holds a net purchased option (the collar ) under a secured forward exchange contract that limits its exposure to and benefit from price fluctuations in XM Satellite Radio Holding, Inc. (XMSR) over the term of the contract. The collar is accounted for as a hedge of the forecasted sale of the underlying shares. At March 31, 2006 and December 31, 2005, the fair value of the collar was a liability recorded in Other long-term obligations of \$75.6 million and \$116.8 million, respectively, and the amount recorded in other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax, related to the change in fair value of the collar for the three months ended March 31, 2006 and the year ended December 31, 2005 was \$25.6 million and \$56.6 million, respectively.

The Company also holds options under two secured forward exchange contracts that limit its exposure to and benefit from price fluctuations in American Tower Corporation (AMT) over the terms of the contracts. These options are not designated as hedges of the underlying shares of AMT. The AMT contracts had a value of \$2.9 million and \$11.7 million at March 31, 2006 and December 31, 2005, respectively, recorded in Other assets. For the three months ended March 31, 2006 and year ended December 31, 2005, the Company recognized losses of \$8.8 million and \$18.2 million, respectively, in Gain (loss) on marketable securities related to the change in fair value of the options. To offset the change in the fair value of these contracts, the Company has recorded AMT shares as trading securities. During the three months ended March 31, 2006 and year ended December 31, 2005, the Company recognized gains of \$6.5 million and \$17.5 million, respectively, in Gain (loss) on marketable securities related to the change in the fair value of the shares.

As a result of the Company s foreign operations, the Company is exposed to foreign currency exchange risks related to its investment in net assets in foreign countries. To manage this risk, the Company entered into two United States dollar Euro cross currency swaps with an aggregate Euro notional amount of 706.0 million and a corresponding aggregate U.S. dollar notional amount of \$877.7 million. These cross currency swaps had a value of \$19.5 million at March 31, 2006, which was recorded in Other long-term obligations. These cross currency swaps require the Company to make fixed cash payments on the Euro notional amount while it receives fixed cash payments on the equivalent U.S. dollar notional amount, all on a semiannual basis. The Company has designated these cross currency swaps as a hedge of its net investment in Euro denominated assets. The Company selected the forward method under the guidance of the Derivatives Implementation Group Statement 133 Implementation Issue H8, *Foreign Currency Hedges: Measuring the Amount of Ineffectiveness in a Net Investment Hedge.* The forward method requires all changes in the fair value of the cross currency swaps and the semiannual cash payments to be reported as a cumulative translation adjustment in other comprehensive income (loss) in the same manner as the underlying hedged net assets. As of March 31, 2006, a \$10.5 million loss, net of tax, was recorded as a cumulative translation adjustment to other comprehensive income (loss) related to the cross currency swap.

#### Note 5: RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

#### Company Share Repurchase Program

On February 1, 2005 (February 2005 Program), the Company s Board of Directors authorized its third share repurchase program of up to \$1.0 billion effective immediately. On August 9, 2005, the Company s Board of Directors authorized a \$692.6 million increase to the existing balance of the February 2005 Program, bringing the authorized

amount to an aggregate of \$1.0 billion. On March 9, 2006, the Company s Board of Directors authorized an additional share repurchase program, permitting it to repurchase an additional \$600.0 million of its common stock. As of March 31, 2006, the Company had purchased 113.8 million shares for an aggregate purchase price of \$3.8 billion, including commission and fees, under its repurchase programs.

#### **Debt Offering**

On March 21, 2006 the Company completed a debt offering of \$500.0 million 6.25% Senior Notes due 2011. Interest is payable on March 15 and September 15 of each year. The net proceeds of approximately \$497.5 million were used to repay borrowings under the Company s bank credit facility.

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#### Disposition of Assets

The Company disposed of programming rights in its radio broadcasting segment and recognized a gain of \$22.5 million and exchanged assets in one of its Americas outdoor markets for assets located in a different market and recognized a gain of \$17.1 million. Both of these gains were recorded in Gain on disposition of assets net during the first quarter of 2006.

#### Recent Legal Proceedings

On September 9, 2003, the Assistant United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Missouri caused a Subpoena to Testify before Grand Jury to be issued to us. The Subpoena requires us to produce certain information regarding commercial advertising run by us on behalf of offshore and/or online (Internet) gambling businesses, including sports bookmaking and casino-style gambling. We are cooperating with such requirements.

On February 7, 2005, the Company received a subpoena from the State of New York Attorney General s office, requesting information on policies and practices regarding record promotion on radio stations in the state of New York. We are cooperating with this subpoena.

On April 19, 2006, the Company received a letter of inquiry (LOI) from the Federal Communications Commission (the FCC) requesting information about whether consideration was provided by record labels to the Company in exchange for the broadcast of music without disclosure of such consideration to the public. The Company is cooperating with the FCC in responding to this request for information.

We are currently involved in certain legal proceedings and, as required, have accrued our estimate of the probable costs for the resolution of these claims. These estimates have been developed in consultation with counsel and are based upon an analysis of potential results, assuming a combination of litigation and settlement strategies. It is possible, however, that future results of operations for any particular period could be materially affected by changes in our assumptions or the effectiveness of our strategies related to these proceedings.

#### Note 6: RESTRUCTURING

The Company has restructuring liabilities related to its 2000 acquisition of AMFM Inc. ( AMFM ), and the 2002 acquisition of The Ackerley Group, Inc. ( Ackerley ). The balance at March 31, 2006 of \$6.3 million was comprised of \$0.7 million of severance costs and \$5.6 million of lease termination costs. No amounts were paid and charged to severance during the three months ended March 31, 2006.

In addition to the AMFM and Ackerley restructurings, the Company restructured its outdoor operations in France in the third quarter of 2005. As a result, the Company recorded \$26.6 million in restructuring costs as a component of selling, general and administrative expenses. Of the \$26.6 million, \$22.5 million was related to severance costs and \$4.1 million was related to other costs. During 2006, \$0.5 million of related costs were paid and charged to the restructuring accrual. As of March 31, 2006, the accrual balance was \$21.1 million.

#### Note 7: COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

Certain agreements relating to acquisitions provide for purchase price adjustments and other future contingent payments based on the financial performance of the acquired companies. The Company will continue to accrue additional amounts related to such contingent payments if and when it is determinable that the applicable financial performance targets will be met. The aggregate of these contingent payments, if performance targets are met, would not significantly impact the financial position or results of operations of the Company.

As discussed in Note 5, there are various lawsuits and claims pending against the Company. Based on current assumptions, the Company has accrued its estimate of the probable costs for the resolution of these claims. Future results of operations could be materially affected by changes in these assumptions.

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#### **Note 8: GUARANTEES**

Within the Company s \$1.75 billion credit facility, there exists a \$150.0 million sub-limit available to certain of the Company s international subsidiaries. This \$150.0 million sub-limit allows for borrowings in various foreign currencies, which are used to hedge net assets in those currencies and provides funds to the Company s international operations for certain working capital needs. Subsidiary borrowings under this sub-limit are guaranteed by the Company. At March 31, 2006, this portion of the \$1.75 billion credit facility s outstanding balance was \$15.4 million, which is recorded in Long-term debt on the Company s financial statements.

Within the Company s bank credit facility agreement is a provision that requires the Company to reimburse lenders for any increased costs that they may incur in an event of a change in law, rule or regulation resulting in their reduced returns from any change in capital requirements. In addition to not being able to estimate the potential amount of any future payment under this provision, the Company is not able to predict if such event will ever occur.

The Company currently has guarantees that provide protection to its international subsidiary s banking institutions related to overdraft lines up to approximately \$39.9 million. As of March 31, 2006, no amounts were outstanding under these agreements.

As of March 31, 2006, the Company has outstanding commercial standby letters of credit and surety bonds of \$142.4 million and \$37.8 million, respectively. These letters of credit and surety bonds relate to various operational matters including insurance, bid, and performance bonds as well as other items. These letters of credit reduce the borrowing availability on the Company s bank credit facilities, and are included in the Company s calculation of its leverage ratio covenant under the bank credit facilities. The surety bonds are not considered as borrowings under the Company s bank credit facilities.

#### Note 9: SEGMENT DATA

The Company has three reportable segments, which it believes best reflects how the Company is currently managed radio broadcasting, Americas outdoor advertising and international outdoor advertising. The Americas outdoor advertising segment consists of our operations in the United States, Canada and Latin America, and the international outdoor segment includes operations in Europe, Asia, Africa and Australia. The category other includes television broadcasting, media representation and other general support services and initiatives. Revenue and expenses earned and charged between segments are recorded at fair value and eliminated in consolidation.

			A	Americas	Int	ernational			orporate and ain on			
		Radio	(	Outdoor	(	Outdoor		dis	position assets -			
(In thousands)	Br	oadcasting	A	dvertising	A	dvertising	Other		net	Eliminations	C	onsolidated
<b>Three Months</b>												
Ended												
March 31, 2006												
Revenue	\$	808,896	\$	274,102	\$	324,267	\$ 129,353	\$	3/4	\$ (32,236)	\$	1,504,382
Direct operating												
expenses		247,957		120,011		208,615	54,237		3/4	(18,034)		612,786
Selling, general												
and												
administrative												
expenses		298,255		48,194		82,611	58,290			(14,202)		473,148
Depreciation												
and												
amortization		33,877		42,232		54,088	16,721		4,372	3/4		151,290
Corporate												
expenses									41,524			41,524
=												

Gain on disposition of assets net						47,510		47,510
Operating income (loss)	\$ 228,807	\$ 63,665	\$	(21,047)	\$ 105	\$ 1,614	\$	\$ 273,144
Intersegment revenues Identifiable assets Capital	2,077,099	1,821	\$ 2	2,132,607	19,472 ,111,044	\$ 663,504	\$ 3/ <sub>4</sub> 3/ <sub>4</sub>	32,236 8,502,119
expenditures	\$ 18,511	\$ 14,220	\$	29,498 - 16 -	\$ 1,878	\$ 18	\$ 3/4	\$ 64,125

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		Radio		americas Outdoor		ernational Outdoor			di	forporate and gain on sposition f assets -	l on ition					
(In thousands)	Bro	adcasting	A	dvertising	A	dvertising		Other	O.		Elim	inations	Co	onsolidated		
Three Months Ended																
March 31, 2005																
Revenue	\$	773,562	\$	253,850	\$	325,109	\$	122,441	\$	3/4	\$ (2	27,152)	\$	1,447,810		
Direct operating expenses		225,396		116,671		209,227		50,584		3/4	C	13,796)		588,082		
Selling, general		220,000		110,071		_0>,		50,50.		, ,	(-	20,700		200,002		
and administrative																
expenses		286,023		44,925		84,672		54,490			()	13,356)		456,754		
Depreciation and																
amortization		35,694		43,103		55,163		16,750		4,685		3/4		155,395		
Corporate										35,967				35,967		
expenses Gain on										33,907				33,907		
disposition of										025				025		
assets net										925				925		
Operating										/						
income (loss)	\$	226,449	\$	49,151	\$	(23,953)	\$	617	\$	(39,727)	\$		\$	212,537		
Intersegment revenues	\$	8,406	\$	1,680	\$		\$	17,066	\$	3/4	\$	3/4	\$	27,152		
Identifiable	Φ	6,400	φ	1,000	φ		φ	17,000	Ф	74	Ф	74	φ	27,132		
assets Capital	\$ 1	2,192,128	\$ 2	2,444,241	\$ 2	2,092,529	\$	1,159,041	\$	313,061	\$	3/4	\$	18,201,000		
expenditures	\$	18,709	\$	15,343	\$	19,254	\$	3,670	\$	1,960	\$	3/4	\$	58,936		
Revenue of \$346																

Revenue of \$346.4 million and \$339.4 million and identifiable assets of \$2.3 billion and \$2.4 billion derived from the Company s foreign operations are included in the data above for the three months ended March 31, 2006 and 2005, respectively.

#### Note 10: SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

On April 26, 2006, the Company s Board of Directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.1875 per share on the Company s Common Stock. The dividend is payable on July 15, 2006 to shareholders of record at the close of business on June 30, 2006.

From April 1, 2006 through May 5, 2006, 5.9 million shares were repurchased for an aggregate purchase price of \$170.2 million, including commissions and fees, under the Company s share repurchase program. At May 5, 2006 \$342.4 million remained available for repurchase through the Company s repurchase program authorized on March 9, 2006.

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### Item 2. MANAGEMENT S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

#### **Executive Summary**

Our consolidated revenue increased \$56.6 million during the three months ended March 31, 2006 as compared to the same period of 2005. The growth was led by \$35.3 million from our radio broadcasting segment primarily from an increase in revenue per minute and average unit rates. Our Americas outdoor segment contributed \$20.3 million to the growth primarily as a result of growth in average rates across most of our inventory. Revenue in our international outdoor segment declined \$0.8 million. This included a decline from movements in foreign exchange of \$29.5 million, partially offset by \$15.4 million related to our consolidation of Clear Media Limited, a Chinese outdoor advertising company. We acquired a controlling majority interest in Clear Media during the third quarter of 2005 and began consolidating its results. We had previously accounted for Clear Media as an equity method investment.

We adopted FAS 123(R), Share Based Payment, on January 1, 2006 under the modified-prospective approach which requires us to recognize non-cash compensation cost in the same line items as cash compensation in the 2006 financial statements for all options granted after the date of adoption as well as for any options that were granted prior to adoption but not yet vested. Under the modified-prospective approach, no stock option expense is reflected in the financial statements for 2005 attributable to these options. Non-cash compensation expense recognized in the financial statements during 2005 related primarily to restricted stock awards. As a result of adoption, we recognized \$4.3 million, \$4.5 million, and \$3.4 million of non-cash compensation expense in direct operating, SG&A and corporate expenses, respectively, during the three months ended March 31, 2006. As of March 31, 2006, there was \$64.5 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to nonvested share-based compensation arrangements. This cost is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of approximately three years. The following table details share based payments by segment for the three months ended March 31, 2006:

(In millions)	
Radio Broadcasting	
Direct Operating Expenses	\$ 2.8
SG&A	3.5
Americas Outdoor Advertising	
Direct Operating Expenses	\$ 0.8
SG&A	0.3
International Outdoor Advertising	
Direct Operating Expenses	\$ 0.2
SG&A	0.1
Other	
Direct Operating Expenses	\$ 0.5
SG&A	0.6
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#### Format of Presentation

Management s discussion and analysis of our results of operations and financial condition should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and related footnotes. Our discussion is presented on both a consolidated and segment basis. Our reportable operating segments are Radio Broadcasting, which includes our national syndication business, Americas Outdoor Advertising and International Outdoor Advertising. Included in the other segment are television broadcasting, our media representation business, Katz Media, as well as other general support services and initiatives.

We manage our operating segments primarily focusing on their operating income, while corporate expenses, gain on disposition of assets net, interest expense, gain (loss) on marketable securities, equity in earnings of nonconsolidated affiliates, other income (expense) net, income tax benefit (expense), minority interest net of tax, and discontinued operations are managed on a total company basis and are, therefore, included only in our discussion of consolidated results.

#### Radio Broadcasting

Our local radio markets are run predominantly by local management teams who control the formats selected for their programming. The formats are designed to reach audiences with targeted demographic characteristics that appeal to our advertisers. Our advertising rates are principally based on how many people in a targeted audience listen to our stations, as measured by an independent ratings service. The size of the market influences rates as well, with larger markets typically receiving higher rates than

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smaller markets. Also, our advertising rates are influenced by the time of day the advertisement airs, with morning and evening drive-time hours typically the highest. Radio advertising contracts are typically less than one year.

Management monitors macro level indicators to assess our radio operations performance. Due to the geographic diversity and autonomy of our markets, we have a multitude of market specific advertising rates and audience demographics. Therefore, management reviews average unit rates across our stations.

Management looks at our radio operations overall revenues as well as local advertising, which is sold predominately in a station s local market, and national advertising, which is sold across multiple markets. Local advertising is sold by our local radio stations sales staffs while national advertising is sold, for the most part, through our national representation firm.

Local advertising, which is our largest source of advertising revenue, and national advertising revenues are tracked separately, because these revenue streams have different sales forces and respond differently to changes in the economic environment. Management also looks at radio revenue by market size, as defined by Arbitron. Typically, larger markets can reach larger audiences with wider demographics than smaller markets. Additionally, management reviews our share of target demographics listening to the radio in an average quarter hour. This metric gauges how well our formats are attracting and keeping listeners.

A significant portion of our radio segment s expenses vary in connection with changes in revenue. These variable expenses primarily relate to costs in our sales department, such as salaries, commissions and bad debt. Our programming and general and administrative departments incur most of our fixed costs, such as talent costs, rights fees, utilities and office salaries. Lastly, our highly discretionary costs are in our marketing and promotions department, which we primarily incur to maintain and/or increase our audience share.

#### Americas and International Outdoor Advertising

Our revenues are derived from selling advertising space on the displays that we own or operate in key markets worldwide, consisting primarily of billboards, street furniture displays and transit displays. We own the majority of our advertising displays, which typically are located on sites that we either lease or own or for which we have acquired permanent easements. Our advertising contracts with clients typically outline the number of displays reserved, the duration of the advertising campaign and the unit price per display. The margins on our billboard contracts tend to be higher than those on contracts for our other displays.

Generally, our advertising rates are based on the gross rating points, or total number of impressions delivered expressed as a percentage of a market population, of a display or group of displays. The number of impressions delivered by a display is measured by the number of people passing the site during a defined period of time and, in some international markets, is weighted to account for such factors as illumination, proximity to other displays and the speed and viewing angle of approaching traffic. To monitor our business, management typically reviews the average rates, average revenues per display, occupancy, and inventory levels of each of our display types by market. In addition, because a significant portion of our advertising operations are conducted in foreign markets, principally France and the United Kingdom, management reviews the operating results from our foreign operations on a constant dollar basis. A constant dollar basis allows for comparison of operations independent of foreign exchange movements. Because revenue-sharing and minimum guaranteed payment arrangements are more prevalent in our international operations, the margins in our international operations typically are less than the margins in our Americas operations.

The significant expenses associated with our operations include (i) direct production, maintenance and installation expenses, (ii) site lease expenses for land under our displays and (iii) revenue-sharing or minimum guaranteed amounts payable under our street furniture and transit display contracts. Our direct production, maintenance and installation expenses include costs for printing, transporting and changing the advertising copy on our displays, the related labor costs, the vinyl and paper costs and the costs for cleaning and maintaining our displays. Vinyl and paper costs vary according to the complexity of the advertising copy and the quantity of displays. Our site lease expenses include lease payments for use of the land under our displays, as well as any revenue-sharing arrangements we may have with the landlords. The terms of our Americas site leases generally range from 1 to 50 years. Internationally, the terms of our site leases generally range from 3 to 15 years, but vary across our networks.

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The comparison of Three Months Ended March 31, 2006 to Three Months Ended March 31, 2005 is as follows:

	Three Months Ended March 31,						
(In thousands)	Φ.	2006	Φ.	2005			
Revenue	\$	1,504,382	\$	1,447,810			
Operating expenses:							
Direct operating expenses (includes share based payments of \$4,316 and							
\$212 in 2006 and 2005, respectively, and excludes depreciation and		(10.70)		500 00 <b>2</b>			
amortization)		612,786		588,082			
Selling, general and administrative expenses (includes share based							
payments of \$4,450 and \$0 in 2006 and 2005, respectively, and excludes		472 140		156 751			
depreciation and amortization)		473,148		456,754			
Depreciation and amortization		151,290		155,395			
Corporate expenses (includes share based payments of \$3,403 and \$1,289							
in 2006 and 2005, respectively, and excludes depreciation and		41 504		25.067			
amortization)		41,524 47,510		35,967 925			
Gain on disposition of assets net		47,310		923			
Operating income		273,144		212,537			
Interest expense		114,376		106,649			
Gain (loss) on marketable securities		(2,324)		(1,073)			
Equity in earnings of nonconsolidated affiliates		6,909		5,633			
Other income (expense) net		(583)		1,440			
Income before income taxes, minority interest, and discontinued operations		162,770		111,888			
Income tax benefit (expense):		(2.2-2)		(10.050)			
Current		(3,273)		(10,030)			
Deferred		(63,463)		(34,166)			
Income tax benefit (expense)		(66,736)		(44,196)			
Minority interest income (expense), net of tax		780		(574)			
Timority more (enpense), not or uni		, 00		(0,1)			
Income before discontinued operations		96,814		67,118			
Loss from discontinued operations, net				(19,236)			
Net income	\$	96,814	\$	47,882			

#### Consolidated Revenue

Consolidated revenue increased \$56.6 million during the three months ended March 31, 2006 as compared to the same period of 2005. The growth was led by \$35.3 million from our radio broadcasting segment primarily from an increase in revenue per minute and average unit rates. Our Americas outdoor segment contributed \$20.3 million to the growth primarily as a result of an increase in average rates across most of our inventory. Revenue in our international outdoor segment declined \$0.8 million. This decline includes movements in foreign exchange of \$29.5 million, partially offset by \$15.4 million related to our consolidation of Clear Media Limited, a Chinese outdoor advertising company. We acquired a controlling majority interest in Clear Media during the third quarter of 2005 and began consolidating its results. We had previously accounted for Clear Media as an equity method investment. *Consolidated Direct Operating Expenses* 

Consolidated direct operating expenses increased \$24.7 million during the first quarter of 2006 as compared to the first quarter of 2005. Our radio broadcasting segment contributed \$22.6 million principally from expenses related

to programming initiatives. Our Americas outdoor segment contributed \$3.3 million primarily from an increase in site-lease expense as well as \$0.6 million from movements in foreign exchange. Direct operating expenses in our international outdoor segment declined \$0.6 million primarily related to \$19.5 million from foreign exchange movements, which was partially offset by \$8.4 million related to our consolidation of Clear Media. Included in our consolidated direct operating expenses for 2006 is \$4.3 million related to our adoption of FAS 123(R). *Consolidated Selling, General and Administrative Expenses, or SG&A* 

SG&A increased \$16.4 million during the first quarter of 2006 as compared to the first quarter of 2005. Our SG&A increased \$12.2 million and \$3.3 million in our radio and Americas segments, respectively, primarily from an increase in bonus and commission expenses associated with the increase in revenue. Included in our Americas segment is an increase of \$0.2 million related to movements in foreign exchange. SG&A in our international segment declined \$2.1 million primarily from \$7.6 million related to

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movements in foreign exchange during the first quarter of 2006 compared to the same period of 2005. Partially offsetting this decline was \$4.5 million related to our consolidation of Clear Media. Included in our consolidated SG&A for 2006 is \$4.5 million related to our adoption of FAS 123(R).

#### Corporate Expenses

Corporate expenses increased \$5.6 million during the first quarter of 2006 compared to the same period of 2005. The increase primarily relates to an increase in share based payment expense of \$2.1 million related to the adoption of FAS 123(R) and \$1.1 million from an increase in bonus expenses and outside professional services.

#### Gain on Disposition of Assets Net

Gain on disposition of assets — net increased \$46.6 million mostly related to \$17.1 million in our Americas outdoor segment from the swap of assets in one of our markets for the assets of a third party located in a different market and \$22.5 million in our radio segment primarily from the sale of programming rights in one of our markets, both of which occurred during the first quarter of 2006.

#### Interest Expense

Interest expense increased \$7.7 million primarily due to an increase in our weighted average cost of debt. Our weighted average cost of debt during the three months ended March 31, 2006 was 6.1% which compares to 5.6% during the same period of 2005.

#### Income Tax Benefit (Expense)

Current tax expense decreased \$6.8 million primarily due to current tax benefits of approximately \$22.5 million recorded in the quarter ended March 31, 2006, related to the filing of an amended tax return and the disposition of certain operating assets in the period. The benefit was partially offset by additional current tax expense recorded in the quarter ended March 31, 2006 due to an increase in Income before income taxes of approximately \$50.9 million.

Deferred tax expense increased \$29.3 million primarily due to deferred tax expense of approximately \$22.5 million recorded in the quarter ended March 31, 2006, related to the filing of an amended tax return and the disposition of certain operating assets in the period.

### **Segment Revenue and Divisional Operating Expenses Radio Broadcasting**

	Three Months		
	3	% Change 2006 v.	
(In thousands)	2006	2005	2005
Revenue	\$ 808,896	\$ 773,562	5%
Direct operating expenses	247,957	225,396	10%
Selling, general and administrative expense	298,255	286,023	4%
Depreciation and amortization	33,877	35,694	(5%)
Operating income	\$ 228,807	\$ 226,449	1%

Our radio broadcasting revenues increased 5% during the first quarter of 2006 as compared to the first quarter of 2005 primarily from an increase in both local and national advertising revenues. This growth was driven by an increase in revenue per minute and average unit rates. The number of 30 second and 15 second commercials broadcast as a percent of total minutes sold increased in the first quarter of 2006 as compared to the first quarter of 2005. Our larger markets (markets 1 50) were the main drivers of the radio revenue growth. Strong advertising categories during the first quarter of 2006 were services, entertainment and health and beauty. Non-cash trade revenues were essentially unchanged during the first quarter of 2006 as compared to the same period of 2005.

Our radio broadcasting direct operating expenses increased \$22.6 million for the first quarter of 2006 as compared to the first quarter of 2005. This growth includes non-cash compensation expense of \$2.8 million as result of adopting FAS 123(R). Also contributing to the increase were increased costs of approximately \$14.6 million from programming and other long-term initiatives. Our SG&A expenses increased \$12.2 million primarily as a result of

approximately \$7.2 million in selling expenses as well as \$3.5 million from the adoption of FAS 123(R).

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#### **Americas Outdoor Advertising**

	Three Months		
	3	% Change 2006 v.	
(In thousands)	2006	2005	2005
Revenue	\$ 274,102	\$ 253,850	8%
Direct operating expenses	120,011	116,671	3%
Selling, general and administrative expenses	48,194	44,925	7%
Depreciation and amortization	42,232	43,103	(2%)
Operating income	\$ 63,665	\$ 49,151	30%

Our Americas revenue increased 8% during the first quarter of 2006 as compared to the first quarter of 2005 primarily attributable to growth in average rates across most of our inventory. Local revenues performed better than national revenues during the quarter across the majority of our markets. Strong market revenue growth during the quarter included Los Angeles, San Francisco, Orlando, San Antonio and Cleveland. The Company s Latin American markets also contributed to the revenue growth during the quarter. Strong advertising client categories included entertainment and amusements, business and consumer services and insurance and real estate.

Direct operating expenses increased \$3.3 million in the first quarter of 2006 over the first quarter of 2005 primarily from an increase in site-lease expense of approximately \$3.4 million primarily associated with a new street furniture contract and the increase in revenue as well as \$0.8 million related to the adoption of FAS 123(R). Partially offsetting this increase was a decline of \$2.4 million in direct production expenses primarily from lower production expenses associated with our Spectacolor displays. Our SG&A expenses increased \$3.3 million in the first quarter of 2006 over the first quarter of 2005 primarily from an increase in bonus and commission expenses of \$2.9 million related to the increase in revenue, and an increase in non-cash compensation expense of \$0.3 million related to the adoption of FAS 123(R).

#### **International Outdoor Advertising**

	Three Months	% Change 2006 v.	
(In thousands)	2006	2005	2005
Revenue	\$ 324,267	\$ 325,109	0%
Direct operating expenses	208,615	209,227	0%
Selling, general and administrative expenses	82,611	84,672	(2%)
Depreciation and amortization	54,088	55,163	(2%)
Operating income	\$ (21,047)	\$ (23,953)	N.A.

Revenue in our international outdoor segment declined \$0.8 million due to a decline in foreign exchange of approximately \$29.5 million partially offset by \$15.4 million in revenue related to our consolidation of Clear Media Limited, a Chinese outdoor advertising company as well as revenue growth primarily from our street furniture and billboard inventory. We acquired a controlling majority interest in Clear Media during the third quarter of 2005 and began consolidating its results. We had previously accounted for Clear Media as an equity method investment. Strong markets for the first quarter of 2006 as compared to the first quarter of 2005 included France, Italy and Australia.

Direct operating expenses decreased \$0.6 million during the first quarter of 2006 as compared to the first quarter of 2005. The decline was primarily attributable to foreign exchange movements of approximately \$19.5 million. Before the effects of foreign exchange, our direct operating expenses increased primarily from

\$8.4 million related to our consolidation of Clear Media and an increase in site lease expenses primarily from the renewal of a street furniture contract in the United Kingdom. Also included in the increase is \$0.2 million in non-cash compensation expense related to the adoption of FAS 123(R). Our SG&A expenses declined \$2.1 million primarily attributable to foreign exchange movements of approximately \$7.6 million. Before the effects of foreign exchange, our SG&A expenses increased primarily from \$4.5 million related to our consolidation of Clear Media and \$0.1 million in non-cash compensation expense related to the adoption of FAS 123(R).

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### Reconciliation of Segment Operating Income (Loss) to Consolidated Operating Income

	Three Months Ended March				
	31,				
(In thousands)	2006		2005		
Radio Broadcasting	\$ 22	28,807	\$	226,449	
Americas Outdoor Advertising	$\epsilon$	63,665		49,151	
International Outdoor Advertising	(2	21,047)		(23,953)	
Other		105		617	
Gain on disposition of assets net	4	17,510		925	
Corporate	(4	15,896)		(40,652)	
Consolidated operating income	\$ 27	73,144	\$	212,537	

#### LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

#### **Cash Flow**

	Three Months Ended March 31,			
(In thousands)	2006 2005			
Cash provided by (used in):				
Operating activities	\$ 444,712	\$ 313,672		
Investing activities	\$ (97,288)	\$ (41,894)		
Financing activities	\$ (340,574)	\$ (252,804)		
Discontinued operations	\$	\$ (744)		

#### **Operating Activities**

Cash flow from operating activities for the three months ended March 31, 2006 principally reflects net income of \$96.8 million plus depreciation and amortization of \$151.3 million. Also contributing to cash flow from operating activities is a decrease in income taxes receivable of \$118.1 million primarily related to a tax refund from the overpayment of taxes in 2005 due to a foreign exchange loss from the restructuring of our international business in anticipation of our strategic realignment and from applying a portion of the capital loss generated from our spin-off of Live Nation to capital gains recognized in 2005. Cash flow from operating activities for the three months ended March 31, 2005 principally reflects income before discontinued operations of \$67.1 million plus depreciation and amortization of \$155.4 million. Cash flow from operating activities also reflects a positive change in working capital of approximately \$60.0 million.

### **Investing Activities**

Cash used in investing activities for the three months ended March 31, 2006 principally reflects the acquisition of operating assets and property plant and equipment of \$125.6 million. Cash used in investing activities for the three months ended March 31, 2005 principally reflects the acquisition of operating assets and property plant and equipment of \$75.2 million

#### **Financing Activities**

Cash used in financing activities for the three months ended March 31, 2006 principally reflects net draws on our credit facility of \$127.2 million, net proceeds from our March, 2006 debt offering of \$497.5 million offset by \$876.3 million related to the purchase of our common stock and \$100.9 million in dividends paid. Cash used in financing activities for the three months ended March 31, 2005 principally reflects net draws on our credit facility of \$396.5 million offset by \$593.9 million related to the purchase of our common stock and \$70.9 million in dividends paid.

#### **Discontinued Operations**

We completed the spin-off of Live Nation, our former live entertainment and sports representation businesses, on December 21, 2005. In accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 144, *Accounting for the* 

*Impairment of Disposal of Long-Lived Assets*, we reported the results of operations of these businesses during 2005 in discontinued operations on our Consolidated Statement of Operations and reclassified cash flows from these businesses to discontinued operations on our Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows.

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### **Anticipated Cash Requirements**

We expect to fund anticipated cash requirements (including payments of principal and interest on outstanding indebtedness and commitments, acquisitions, anticipated capital expenditures, quarterly dividends and share repurchases) for the foreseeable future with cash flows from operations and various externally generated funds. SOURCES OF CAPITAL

As of March 31, 2006 and December 31, 2005 we had the following debt outstanding:

		$\Gamma$	December	
	March 31,		31,	
(In millions)	2006		2005	
Credit facility	\$ 419.4	\$	292.4	
Long-term bonds (a)	7,018.0		6,537.0	
Other borrowings	218.2		217.1	
Total Debt	7,655.6		7,046.5	
Less: Cash and cash equivalents	89.6		82.8	
	\$ 7,566.0	\$	6,963.7	

(a) Includes

\$9.7 million and

\$10.5 million in

unamortized fair

value purchase

accounting

accounting

adjustment premiums

premiums

related to the

merger with

AMFM at

March 31, 2006

and

December 31,

2005,

respectively.

Also includes

reductions of

\$47.0 million

and

\$29.0 million

related to fair

value

adjustments for

interest rate

swap

agreements at

March 31, 2006

and

December 31, 2005, respectively.

#### **Credit Facility**

We have a multi-currency revolving credit facility in the amount of \$1.75 billion, which can be used for general working capital purposes including commercial paper support as well as to fund capital expenditures, share repurchases, acquisitions and the refinancing of public debt securities. At March 31, 2006, the outstanding balance on this facility was \$419.4 million and, taking into account letters of credit of \$140.6 million, \$1.2 billion was available for future borrowings, with the entire balance to be repaid on July 12, 2009.

During the three months ended March 31, 2006, we made principal payments totaling \$926.8 million and drew down \$1.1 billion on the credit facility. As of May 5, 2006, the credit facility s outstanding balance was \$693.7 million and, taking into account outstanding letters of credit, \$920.1 million was available for future borrowings.

#### **Debt Offering**

On March 21, 2006, we completed a debt offering of \$500.0 million 6.25% Senior Notes due 2011. Interest is payable on March 15 and September 15 of each year. The net proceeds of approximately \$497.5 million were used to repay borrowings under our bank credit facility.

### **Shelf Registration**

On April 22, 2004, we filed a Registration Statement on Form S-3 covering a combined \$3.0 billion of debt securities, junior subordinated debt securities, preferred stock, common stock, warrants, stock purchase contracts and stock purchase units. The shelf registration statement also covers preferred securities that may be issued from time to time by our three Delaware statutory business trusts and guarantees of such preferred securities by us. The SEC declared this shelf registration statement effective on April 26, 2004. After debt offerings on September 15, 2004, November 17, 2004, December 16, 2004 and March 21, 2006 \$1.25 billion in securities remains available for issuance under this shelf registration statement.

#### **Debt Covenants**

The significant covenants on our \$1.75 billion five-year, multi-currency revolving credit facility relate to leverage and interest coverage contained and defined in the credit agreement. The leverage ratio covenant requires us to maintain a ratio of consolidated funded indebtedness to operating cash flow (as defined by the credit agreement) of less than 5.25x. The interest coverage covenant requires us to maintain a minimum ratio of operating cash flow (as defined by the credit agreement) to interest expense of 2.50x. In the event that we do not meet these covenants, we are considered to be in default on the credit facility at which time the credit facility may become immediately due. At March 31, 2006, our leverage and interest coverage ratios were 3.6x and 4.8x, respectively. This credit

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facility contains a cross default provision that would be triggered if we were to default on any other indebtedness greater than \$200.0 million.

Our other indebtedness does not contain provisions that would make it a default if we were to default on our credit facility.

The fees we pay on our \$1.75 billion, five-year multi-currency revolving credit facility depend on our long-term debt ratings. Based on our current ratings level of BBB-/Baa3, our fees on borrowings are a 45.0 basis point spread to LIBOR and are 17.5 basis points on the total \$1.75 billion facility. In the event our ratings improve, the fee on borrowings and facility fee decline gradually to 20.0 basis points and 9.0 basis points, respectively, at ratings of A/A3 or better. In the event that our ratings decline, the fee on borrowings and facility fee increase gradually to 120.0 basis points and 30.0 basis points, respectively, at ratings of BB/Ba2 or lower.

We believe there are no other agreements that contain provisions that trigger an event of default upon a change in long-term debt ratings that would have a material impact to our financial statements.

Additionally, our 8% senior notes due 2008, which were originally issued by AMFM Operating Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Clear Channel, contain certain restrictive covenants that limit the ability of AMFM Operating Inc. to incur additional indebtedness, enter into certain transactions with affiliates, pay dividends, consolidate, or effect certain asset sales.

At March 31, 2006, we were in compliance with all debt covenants. We expect to remain in compliance throughout 2006.

#### **USES OF CAPITAL**

On August 9, 2005, we announced our intention to return approximately \$1.6 billion of capital to shareholders through either share repurchases, a special dividend or a combination of both. Since announcing our intent through May 5, 2006, we have returned approximately \$1.3 billion to shareholders by repurchasing 42.4 million shares of our common stock. Since announcing a share repurchase program in March 2004, we have repurchased approximately 119.8 million shares of our common stock for approximately \$4.0 billion. Subject to our financial condition, market conditions, economic conditions and other factors, it remains our intention to return the remaining balance of the approximately \$1.6 billion in capital to our shareholders through either share repurchases, a special dividend or a combination of both. We intend to fund any share repurchases and/or a special dividend from funds generated from the repayment of intercompany debt, the proceeds of any new debt offerings, available cash balances and cash flow from operations. The timing and amount of a special dividend, if any, is in the discretion of our Board of Directors and will be based on the factors described above.

#### **Dividends**

Our Board of Directors declared quarterly cash dividends as follows: (*In millions, except per share data*)

	Amount per			
Declaration	Common			Total
		Record	Payment	
Date	Share	Date	Date	Payment
October 26, 2005	0.1875	December 31, 2005	January 15, 2006	\$ 100.9
February 14, 2006	0.1875	March 31, 2006	April 15, 2006	95.5

Additionally, on April 26, 2006, the Company s Board of Directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.1875 per share on the Company s Common Stock. The dividend is payable on July 15, 2006 to shareholders of record at the close of business on June 30, 2006.

### **Acquisitions**

During the three months ended March 31, 2006, we acquired a music scheduling company for \$47.2 million in cash and \$10.0 million of deferred purchase consideration. We also acquired outdoor display faces for \$9.1 million in cash. In addition, our national representation firm acquired representation contracts for \$5.2 million in cash.

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#### **Capital Expenditures**

Capital expenditures were \$64.1 million and \$58.9 million in the three months ended March 31, 2006 and 2005, respectively.

	Th	ree Months Ende	ed March 31, 2006	Capital E	Expenditu	ires
		Americas	International			
				Corp	orate	
		Outdoor	Outdoor	ar	nd	
(In millions)	Radio	Advertising	Advertising	Otl	ner	Total
Non-revenue producing	\$ 18.5	\$ 7.6	\$ 11.1	\$	1.9	\$ 39.1
Revenue producing		6.6	18.4			25.0
	\$ 18.5	\$ 14.2	\$ 29.5	\$	1.9	\$ 64.1

#### **Treasury Stock Transactions**

Our Board of Directors approved two separate share repurchase programs during 2004, each for \$1.0 billion. On February 1, 2005, our Board of Directors approved a third \$1.0 billion share repurchase program. On August 9, 2005, our Board of Directors authorized an increase in and extension of the February 2005 program, which had \$307.4 million remaining, by \$692.6 million, for a total of \$1.0 billion. On March 9, 2006, our Board of Directors authorized an additional share repurchase program, permitting us to repurchase \$600.0 million of our common stock. This increase expires on March 9, 2007, although the program may be discontinued or suspended at any time. As of May 5, 2006, 119.8 million shares had been repurchased for an aggregate purchase price of \$4.0 billion, including commissions and fees, under the share repurchase programs, with \$342.4 million remaining available.

### **Commitments, Contingencies and Guarantees**

#### **Commitments and Contingencies**

There are various lawsuits and claims pending against us. Based on current assumptions, we have accrued an estimate of the probable costs for the resolution of these claims. Future results of operations could be materially affected by changes in these assumptions.

Certain agreements relating to acquisitions provide for purchase price adjustments and other future contingent payments based on the financial performance of the acquired companies generally over a one to five year period. We will continue to accrue additional amounts related to such contingent payments if and when it is determinable that the applicable financial performance targets will be met. The aggregate of these contingent payments, if performance targets are met, would not significantly impact our financial position or results of operations.

#### **Market Risk**

#### **Interest Rate Risk**

At March 31, 2006, approximately 25% of our long-term debt, including fixed-rate debt on which we have entered into interest rate swap agreements, bears interest at variable rates. Accordingly, our earnings are affected by changes in interest rates. Assuming the current level of borrowings at variable rates and assuming a two percentage point change in the quarter s average interest rate under these borrowings, it is estimated that our interest expense for the three months ended March 31, 2006 would have changed by \$9.6 million and that our net income for the three months ended March 31, 2006 would have changed by \$5.6 million. In the event of an adverse change in interest rates, management may take actions to further mitigate its exposure. However, due to the uncertainty of the actions that would be taken and their possible effects, this interest rate analysis assumes no such actions. Further, the analysis does not consider the effects of the change in the level of overall economic activity that could exist in such an environment.

At March 31, 2006, we had entered into interest rate swap agreements with a \$1.3 billion aggregate notional amount that effectively float interest at rates based upon LIBOR. These agreements expire from February 2007 to March 2012. The fair value of these agreements at March 31, 2006 was a liability of \$47.0 million.

## **Equity Price Risk**

The carrying value of our available-for-sale and trading equity securities is affected by changes in their quoted market prices. It is estimated that a 20% change in the market prices of these securities would change their carrying value at March 31, 2006 by \$54.8 million and would change accumulated comprehensive income (loss) and net income by \$25.1 million and \$7.2 million, respectively. At March 31, 2006, we also held \$18.2 million of investments that do not have a quoted market price, but are subject to fluctuations in their value.

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We maintain derivative instruments on certain of our available-for-sale and trading equity securities to limit our exposure to and benefit from price fluctuations on those securities.

### **Foreign Currency**

We have operations in countries throughout the world. As a result, our financial results could be affected by factors such as changes in foreign currency exchange rates or weak economic conditions in the foreign markets in which we have operations. To mitigate a portion of the exposure of international currency fluctuations, we maintain a natural hedge through borrowings in currencies other than the U.S. dollar. In addition, we have U.S. dollar Euro cross currency swaps which are also designated as a hedge of our net investment in foreign denominated assets. These hedge positions are reviewed monthly. Our foreign operations reported a net loss of \$16.3 million for the three months ended March 31, 2006. It is estimated that a 10% change in the value of the U.S. dollar to foreign currencies would change net income for the three months ended March 31, 2006 by \$1.6 million.

Our earnings are also affected by fluctuations in the value of the U.S. dollar as compared to foreign currencies as a result of our investments in various countries, all of which are accounted for under the equity method. It is estimated that the result of a 10% fluctuation in the value of the dollar relative to these foreign currencies at March 31, 2006 would change our equity in earnings of nonconsolidated affiliates by \$0.7 million and would change our net income by approximately \$0.4 million for the three months ended March 31, 2006.

This analysis does not consider the implications that such fluctuations could have on the overall economic activity that could exist in such an environment in the U.S. or the foreign countries or on the results of operations of these foreign entities.

### **Recent Accounting Pronouncements**

In February 2006, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Statement No. 155, Accounting for Certain Hybrid Financial Instruments (Statement 155). Statement 155 is an amendment of FASB Statement No. 133, Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities (Statement 133) and FASB Statement 140, Accounting for Transfers and Servicing of Financial Assets and Extinguishments of Liabilities (Statement 140) and allows companies to elect to measure at fair value entire financial instruments containing embedded derivatives that would otherwise have to be accounted for separately. Statement 155 also requires companies to identify interest in securitized financial assets that are freestanding derivatives or contain embedded derivatives that would have to be accounted for separately, clarifies which interest- and principal-only strips are subject to Statement 133, and amends Statement 140 to revise the conditions of a qualifying special purpose entity due to the new requirement to identify whether interests in securitized financial assets are freestanding derivatives or contain embedded derivatives. Statement 155 is effective for all financial instruments acquired or issued in fiscal years beginning after September 15, 2006. We will adopt Statement 155 on January 1, 2007 and anticipate that adoption will not materially impact our financial position or results of operations.

### **Critical Accounting Policies**

Management believes certain critical accounting policies affect its more significant judgments and estimates used in the preparation of its consolidated financial statements. Due to the implementation of FAS 123 (R), we identified a new critical accounting policy related to share-based compensation, which is listed below. Our other critical accounting policies and estimates are disclosed in the Note A of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2005.

#### **Stock Based Compensation**

We account for stock based compensation in accordance with FAS 123(R). Under the fair value recognition provisions of this statement, stock based compensation cost is measured at the grant date based on the value of the award and is recognized as expense on a straight-line basis over the vesting period. Determining the fair value of share-based awards at the grant date requires assumptions and judgments about expected volatility and forfeiture rates, among other factors. If actual results differ significantly from these estimates, our results of operations could be materially impacted.

#### Inflation

Inflation has affected our performance in terms of higher costs for wages, salaries and equipment. Although the exact impact of inflation is indeterminable, we believe we have offset these higher costs in various manners.

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#### **Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges**

The ratio of earnings to fixed charges is as follows:

Three Months Ended

March	i 31,		Year	Ended December 3	31,	
2006	2005	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001
1.79	1.57	2.32	2.86	3.64	2.59	*

For the year ended December 31. 2001, fixed charges exceeded

earnings before

income taxes

and fixed

charges by

\$1.1 billion.

The ratio of earnings to fixed charges was computed on a total enterprise basis. Earnings represent income from continuing operations before income taxes less equity in undistributed net income (loss) of unconsolidated affiliates plus fixed charges. Fixed charges represent interest, amortization of debt discount and expense, and the estimated interest portion of rental charges. We had no preferred stock outstanding for any period presented.

### **Risks Regarding Forward Looking Statements**

The Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 provides a safe harbor for forward-looking statements made by us or on our behalf. Except for the historical information, this report contains various forward-looking statements which represent our expectations or beliefs concerning future events, including the future levels of cash flow from operations. Management believes that all statements that express expectations and projections with respect to future matters, including the success of our strategic realignment of our businesses and our Less is More initiative; our ability to negotiate contracts having more favorable terms; and the availability of capital resources; are forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act. We caution that these forward-looking statements involve a number of risks and uncertainties and are subject to many variables which could impact our financial performance. These statements are made on the basis of management s views and assumptions, as of the time the statements are made, regarding future events and business performance. There can be no assurance, however, that management s expectations will necessarily come to pass.

A wide range of factors could materially affect future developments and performance, including: the impact of general economic and political conditions in the U.S. and in other countries in which we currently do business, including those resulting from recessions, political events and acts or threats of terrorism or military conflicts;

the impact of the geopolitical environment;

our ability to integrate the operations of recently acquired companies;

shifts in population and other demographics;

industry conditions, including competition;

fluctuations in operating costs;

technological changes and innovations;

changes in labor conditions;

fluctuations in exchange rates and currency values;

capital expenditure requirements;

the outcome of pending and future litigation settlements;

legislative or regulatory requirements;

interest rates;

the effect of leverage on our financial position and earnings;

taxes;

access to capital markets; and

certain other factors set forth in our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including our

Annual Report for the year ended December 31, 2005.

This list of factors that may affect future performance and the accuracy of forward-looking statements are

This list of factors that may affect future performance and the accuracy of forward-looking statements are illustrative, but by no means exhaustive. Accordingly, all forward-looking statements should be evaluated with the understanding of their inherent uncertainty.

**ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK** Required information is within Item 2

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#### ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

Our principal executive and financial officers have concluded, based on their evaluation as of the end of the period covered by this Form 10-Q, that our disclosure controls and procedures, as defined under Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, are effective to ensure that information we are required to disclose in the reports we file or submit under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC s rules and forms, and include controls and procedures designed to ensure that information we are required to disclose in such reports is accumulated and communicated to management, including our principal executive and financial officers, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

Subsequent to our evaluation, there were no significant changes in internal controls or other factors that could significantly affect these internal controls.

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#### Part II OTHER INFORMATION

#### **Item 1. Legal Proceedings**

On April 19, 2006, we received a letter of inquiry ( LOI ) from the Federal Communications Commission (the FCC ) requesting information about whether consideration was provided by record labels to us in exchange for the broadcast of music without disclosure of such consideration to the public. We are cooperating with the FCC in responding to this request for information.

We are currently involved in certain legal proceedings and, as required, have accrued our estimate of the probable costs for the resolution of these claims. These estimates have been developed in consultation with counsel and are based upon an analysis of potential results, assuming a combination of litigation and settlement strategies. It is possible, however, that future results of operations for any particular period could be materially affected by changes in our assumptions or the effectiveness of our strategies related to these proceedings.

#### **Item 1A. Risk Factors**

For information regarding risk factors, please refer to Item 1A in the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2005. Additional information relating to risk factors is described in Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations under Risks Regarding Forward Looking Statements

#### Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds

(c) Purchases of Equity Securities by the Issuer and Affiliated Purchases.

On February 1, 2005, we publicly announced that our Board of Directors authorized a share repurchase program of up to \$1.0 billion effective immediately. On August 9, 2005, our Board of Directors authorized an increase in and extension of the February 2005 program, which had \$307.4 million remaining, by \$692.6 million, for a total of \$1.0 billion. On March 9, 2006, our Board of Directors authorized an additional share repurchase program, permitting us to repurchase an additional \$600.0 million of our common stock. This increase expires on March 9, 2007, although the program may be discontinued or suspended at anytime prior to its expiration. During the three months ended March 31, 2006, we repurchased the following shares:

				Maximum Dollar
			Total Number of	Value of
			Shares Purchased	Shares that May Yet
	Total Number		as	Be
		Average		
	of Shares	Price	Part of Publicly	Purchased Under the
		Paid per	Announced	
Period	Purchased	Share	Programs	Programs
January 1 through January 31	9,237,900	\$ 31.26	9,237,900	\$ 500,185,480
February 1 through February 28	12,412,000	\$ 28.79	12,412,000	\$ 142,853,211
March 1 through March 31	7,969,000	\$ 28.89	7,969,000	\$ 512,623,854
Total	29,618,900		29,618,900	
Item 6. Exhibits				
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### **Signatures**

Pursuant to the requirements 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.

**CLEAR CHANNEL** 

COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

May 10, 2006 /s/ Randall T. Mays

Randall T. Mays President and

Chief Financial Officer

May 10, 2006 /s/ Herbert W. Hill, Jr.

Herbert W. Hill, Jr. Senior Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer

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#### INDEX TO EXHIBITS

## **Exhibit** Number **Description** 3.1 Current Articles of Incorporation of the Company (incorporated by reference to the exhibits of the Company s Registration Statement on Form S-3 (Reg. No. 333-33371) dated September 9, 1997). 3.2 Sixth Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Company (incorporated by reference to the exhibits to Clear Channel s Current Report on Form 8-K dated December 21, 2005). 3.3 Amendment to the Company s Articles of Incorporation (incorporated by reference to the exhibits to the Company s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 1998). 3.4 Second Amendment to Clear Channel s Articles of Incorporation (incorporated by reference to the exhibits to Clear Channel s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 1999). 3.5 Third Amendment to Clear Channel s Articles of Incorporation (incorporated by reference to the exhibits to Clear Channel s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended May 31, 2000). 4.1 Agreement Concerning Buy-Sell Agreement by and between Clear Channel Communications, Inc., L. Lowry Mays, B.J. McCombs, John M. Schaefer and John W. Barger, dated August 3, 1998 (incorporated by reference to the exhibits to Clear Channel s Schedule 13-D/A, dated October 10, 2002). 4.2 Waiver and Second Agreement Concerning Buy-Sell Agreement by and between Clear Channel Communications, Inc., L. Lowry Mays and B.J. McCombs, dated August 17, 1998 (incorporated by reference to the exhibits to Clear Channel s Schedule 13-D/A, dated October 10, 2002). 4.3 Waiver and Third Agreement Concerning Buy-Sell Agreement by and between Clear Channel Communications, Inc., L. Lowry Mays and B.J. McCombs, dated July 26, 2002 (incorporated by reference to the exhibits to Clear Channel s Schedule 13-D/A, dated October 10, 2002). 4.4 Waiver and Fourth Agreement Concerning Buy-Sell Agreement by and between Clear Channel Communications, Inc., L. Lowry Mays and B.J. McCombs, dated September 27, 2002 (incorporated by reference to the exhibits to Clear Channel s Schedule 13-D/A, dated October 10, 2002). 4.5 Buy-Sell Agreement by and between Clear Channel Communications, Inc., L. Lowry Mays, B. J. McCombs, John M. Schaefer and John W. Barger, dated May 31, 1977 (incorporated by reference to the exhibits of the Company s Registration Statement on Form S-1 (Reg. No. 33-289161) dated April 19, 1984).

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Senior Indenture dated October 1, 1997, by and between Clear Channel Communications, Inc.

and The Bank of New York as Trustee (incorporated by reference to the exhibits to the

Company s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 1997).

- 4.7 Second Supplemental Indenture dated June 16, 1998 to Senior Indenture dated October 1, 1997, by and between Clear Channel Communications, Inc. and the Bank of New York, as Trustee (incorporated by reference to the exhibits to the Company s Current Report on Form 8-K dated August 27, 1998).
- 4.8 Third Supplemental Indenture dated June 16, 1998 to Senior Indenture dated October 1, 1997, by and between Clear Channel Communications, Inc. and the Bank of New York, as Trustee (incorporated by reference to the exhibits to the Company s Current Report on Form 8-K dated August 27, 1998).
- 4.9 Ninth Supplemental Indenture dated September 12, 2000, to Senior Indenture dated October 1, 1997, by and between Clear Channel Communications, Inc. and The Bank of New York, as Trustee (incorporated by reference to the exhibits to Clear Channel s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2000).

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### **Exhibit**

## **Number Description**

- 4.10 Tenth Supplemental Indenture dated October 26, 2001, to Senior Indenture dated October 1, 1997, by and between Clear Channel Communications, Inc. and The Bank of New York, as Trustee (incorporated by reference to the exhibits to Clear Channel s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2001).
- 4.11 Eleventh Supplemental Indenture dated January 9, 2003, to Senior Indenture dated October 1, 1997, by and between Clear Channel Communications, Inc. and The Bank of New York as Trustee (incorporated by reference to the exhibits to Clear Channel s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002).
- 4.12 Twelfth Supplemental Indenture dated March 17, 2003, to Senior Indenture dated October 1, 1997, by and between Clear Channel Communications, Inc. and The Bank of New York, as Trustee (incorporated by reference to the exhibits to Clear Channel s Current Report on Form 8-K dated March 18, 2003).
- 4.13 Thirteenth Supplemental Indenture dated May 1, 2003, to Senior Indenture dated October 1, 1997, by and between Clear Channel Communications, Inc. and The Bank of New York, as Trustee (incorporated by reference to the exhibits to Clear Channel s Current Report on Form 8-K dated May 2, 2003).
- 4.14 Fourteenth Supplemental Indenture dated May 21, 2003, to Senior Indenture dated October 1, 1997, by and between Clear Channel Communications, Inc. and The Bank of New York, as Trustee (incorporated by reference to the exhibits to Clear Channel s Current Report on Form 8-K dated May 22, 2003).
- 4.15 Fifteenth Supplemental Indenture dated November 5, 2003, to Senior Indenture dated October 1, 1997, by and between Clear Channel Communications, Inc. and The Bank of New York, as Trustee (incorporated by reference to the exhibits to Clear Channel s Current Report on Form 8-K dated November 14, 2003).
- 4.16 Sixteenth Supplemental Indenture dated December 9, 2003, to Senior Indenture dated October 1, 1997, by and between Clear Channel Communications, Inc. and The Bank of New York, as Trustee (incorporated by reference to the exhibits to Clear Channel s Current Report on Form 8-K dated December 10, 2003).
- 4.17 Seventeenth Supplemental Indenture dated September 15, 2004, to Senior Indenture dated October 1, 1997, by and between Clear Channel Communications, Inc. and The Bank of New York, as Trustee (incorporated by reference to the exhibits to Clear Channel s Current Report on Form 8-K dated September 15, 2004).
- 4.18 Eighteenth Supplemental Indenture dated November 22, 2004, to Senior Indenture dated October 1, 1997, by and between Clear Channel Communications, Inc. and The Bank of New York, as Trustee (incorporated by reference to the exhibits to Clear Channel s Current Report on Form 8-K dated November 17, 2004).

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Nineteenth Supplemental Indenture dated December 13, 2004, to Senior Indenture dated October 1, 1997, by and between Clear Channel Communications, Inc. and The Bank of New York, as Trustee (incorporated by reference to the exhibits to Clear Channel s Current Report on Form 8-K dated December 13, 2004).

- 4.20 Twentieth Supplemental Indenture dated March 21, 2006, to Senior Indenture dated October 1, 1997, by and between Clear Channel Communications, Inc. and The Bank of New York, as Trustee (incorporated by reference to the exhibits to Clear Channel s Current Report on Form 8-K dated March 21, 2006).
- 10.1 Clear Channel Communications, Inc. 1994 Incentive Stock Option Plan (incorporated by reference to the exhibits of the Company s Registration Statement on Form S-8 dated November 20, 1995).

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Exhibit Number 10.2	<b>Description</b> Clear Channel Communications, Inc. 1994 Nonqualified Stock Option Plan (incorporated by reference to the exhibits of the Company s Registration Statement on Form S-8 dated November 20, 1995).
10.3	The Clear Channel Communications, Inc. 1998 Stock Incentive Plan (incorporated by reference to Appendix A to the Company s Definitive 14A Proxy Statement dated March 24, 1998).
10.4	The Clear Channel Communications, Inc. 2000 Employee Stock Purchase Plan (incorporated by reference to the exhibits to Clear Channel s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002)
10.5	The Clear Channel Communications, Inc. 2001 Stock Incentive Plan (incorporated by reference to Appendix A to the Company s Definitive 14A Proxy Statement dated March 20, 2001).
10.6	Form of 2001 Stock Incentive Plan Stock Option Agreement for a Stock Option with a Ten Year Term (incorporated by reference to the exhibits to Clear Channel s Current Report on Form 8-K dated January 12, 2005).
10.7	Form of 2001 Stock Incentive Plan Stock Option Agreement for a Stock Option with a Seven Year Term (incorporated by reference to the exhibits to Clear Channel s Current Report on Form 8-K dated January 12, 2005).
10.8	Form of 2001 Stock Incentive Plan Restricted Stock Award Agreement (incorporated by reference to the exhibits to Clear Channel s Current Report on Form 8-K dated January 12, 2005).
10.9	Registration Rights Agreement dated as of October 2, 1999, among Clear Channel and Hicks, Muse, Tate & Furst Equity Fund II, L.P., HM2/HMW, L.P., HM2/Chancellor, L.P., HM4/Chancellor, L.P., Capstar Broadcasting Partners, L.P., Capstar BT Partners, L.P., Capstar Boston Partners, L.L.C., Thomas O. Hicks, John R. Muse, Charles W. Tate, Jack D. Furst, Michael J. Levitt, Lawrence D. Stuart, Jr., David B Deniger and Dan H. Blanks (incorporated by reference to Annex C to Clear Channel Communications, Inc. s, Registration Statement on Form S-4 (Reg. No. 333-32532) dated March 15, 2000).
10.10	Employment Agreement by and between Clear Channel Communications, Inc. and Paul Meyer dated August 5, 2005 (incorporated by reference to the exhibits to Clear Channel s Current Report on Form 8-K dated August 5, 2005).
10.11	Employment Agreement by and between Clear Channel Communications, Inc. and John Hogan dated February 18, 2004 (incorporated by reference to the exhibits to Clear Channel s Annual Report on Form 10-K filed March 15, 2004).
10.12	Amended and Restated Employment Agreement by and between Clear Channel Communications, Inc. and L. Lowry Mays dated March 10 2005 (incorporated by reference to

the exhibits to Clear Channel s Annual Report on Form 10-K filed March 11, 2005).

- 10.13 Amended and Restated Employment Agreement by and between Clear Channel Communications, Inc. and Mark P. Mays dated March 10, 2005 (incorporated by reference to the exhibits to Clear Channel s Annual Report on Form 10-K filed March 11, 2005).
- 10.14 Amended and Restated Employment Agreement by and between Clear Channel Communications, Inc. and Randall T. Mays dated March 10, 2005 (incorporated by reference to the exhibits to Clear Channel s Annual Report on Form 10-K filed March 11, 2005).

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Exhibit Number 10.15	Description Credit agreement among Clear Channel Communications, Inc., Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent, Offshore Sub-Administrative Agent, Swing Line Lender and L/C Issuer, JPMorgan Chase Bank, as Syndication Agent, and certain other lenders dated July 13, 2004 (incorporated by reference to the exhibits to Clear Channel s Current Report on Form 8-K filed September 17, 2004).
10.16	Shareholder s Agreement by and between Clear Channel Communications, Inc. and L. Lowry Mays dated March 10, 2004 (incorporated by reference to the exhibits to Clear Channel s Annual Report on Form 10-K filed March 15, 2004).
10.17	Shareholders Agreement by and among Clear Channel Communications, Inc., Thomas O. Hicks and certain other shareholders affiliated with Mr. Hicks dated March 10, 2004 (incorporated by reference to the exhibits to Clear Channel s Annual Report on Form 10-K filed March 15, 2004).
11	Statement re: Computation of Per Share Earnings.
12	Statement re: Computation of Ratios.
31.1	Certification of Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to Rules 13a-14(a) and 15d-14(a) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
31.2	Certification of Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to Rules 13a-14(a) and 15d-14(a) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
32.1	Certification of Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
32.2	Certification of Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.  - 35 -