

**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

**FORM 10-K**

(Mark One)

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

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**For the fiscal year ended December 31 , 2023**  
**or**

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

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**For the transition period from to \_\_\_\_\_**

**Commission File Number: 000-29253**

**BEASLEY BROADCAST GROUP, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**

**65-0960915**

(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

**3033 Riviera Drive , Suite 200  
Naples , Florida 34103**

(Address of principal executive offices and Zip Code)

**( 239 ) 263-5000**

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

**Securities Registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:**

Title of Each Class

Trading Symbol

Name of Each Exchange on which Registered

**Class A**

**Common Stock**

, par value \$.001 per share

**BBGI**

**Nasdaq Global Market**

**Securities Registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act:**

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. Yes ☐ No ☐

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Act. Yes ☐ No ☐

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 ☐ No ☐

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically every Interactive Data File required to be submitted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§ 232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit such files). Yes ☐ No ☐

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, a smaller reporting company, or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company," and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer

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Accelerated filer

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Smaller reporting company

Non-accelerated filer

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Emerging growth company

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If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. ☐

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has filed a report on and attestation to its management's assessment of the effectiveness of its internal control over financial reporting under Section 404(b) of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act (15 U.S.C. 7262(b)) by the registered public accounting firm that prepared or issued its audit report. ☐

If securities are registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act, indicate by check mark whether the financial statements of the registrant included in the filing reflect the correction of an error to previously issued financial statements. ☐

Indicate by check mark whether any of those error corrections are restatements that required a recovery analysis of incentive-based compensation received by any of the registrant's executive officers during the relevant recovery period pursuant to § 240.10D-1(b). ☐

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

As of June 30, 2023, the aggregate market value of the Class A Common Stock held by non-affiliates of the registrant was \$

9,538,293

based on the number of shares outstanding as of such date and the closing price of \$1.02 on NASDAQ's National Market System on such date, the last business day of our most recently completed second fiscal quarter.

Class A Common Stock, \$.001 par value,

13,666,308

Shares Outstanding as of February 6, 2024

Class B Common Stock, \$.001 par value,

16,662,743

Shares Outstanding as of February 6, 2024

**Documents Incorporated by Reference**

Certain information in the registrant's Definitive Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A for its 2024 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, is incorporated by reference in Part III of this report.

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**CERTAIN DEFINITIONS**

Unless the context requires otherwise, all references in this report to the "Company," "we," "us," "our" and similar terms refer to Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc. and its consolidated subsidiaries.

## PART I

### ITEM 1. BUSINESS

#### Overview

We are a multi-platform media company whose primary business is operating radio stations throughout the United States. We offer local and national advertisers integrated marketing solutions across audio, digital and event platforms. We own and operate stations in the following markets: Atlanta, GA, Augusta, GA, Boston, MA, Charlotte, NC, Detroit, MI, Fayetteville, NC, Fort Myers-Naples, FL, Las Vegas, NV, Middlesex, NJ, Monmouth, NJ, Morristown, NJ, Philadelphia, PA, and Tampa-Saint Petersburg, FL. We refer to each group of stations in each market as a market cluster. Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc., a Delaware corporation, was formed in 1999. Unless the context otherwise requires, all references in this report to “the Company,” “we,” “us” or “our” are to Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc. and its subsidiaries.

#### Strategy

We seek to secure and maintain a leadership position in the markets we serve by developing high quality local content, through our audio and digital platforms, including events and experiences in the communities we serve and, in turn, offer advertisers access to a highly effective marketing platform to reach large and targeted local audiences. We operate our stations in clusters to capture a variety of demographic listener groups, which we believe enhances our stations' appeal to a wide range of advertisers. Current rules and regulations of the Federal Communications Commission (“FCC”) do not permit us to add more AM or FM stations to our Augusta, GA and Philadelphia, PA market clusters, or more FM stations to our Boston, MA, Charlotte, NC, Fayetteville, NC, Fort Myers-Naples, FL, Las Vegas, NV and Tampa-Saint Petersburg, FL market clusters.

The primary source of revenue for our stations is the sale of advertising time to local, regional and national advertisers and national network advertisers who purchase commercials in varying lengths. A growing source of revenue is from station-related digital product suites, which allow for enhanced audience interaction and participation, and integrated digital advertising solutions. A station's local sales staff generates the majority of its local and regional advertising sales through direct solicitations of local advertising agencies and businesses. We retain a national representation firm to sell to advertisers outside of our local markets.

#### Competition

The radio broadcasting industry is highly competitive. Our stations compete for listeners and advertising revenue with other stations within their respective markets. In addition, our stations compete for audiences and advertising revenues with other media, including digital audio streaming, satellite radio, broadcast television, digital, satellite and cable television, video streaming services, newspapers and magazines, outdoor advertising, direct mail, wireless media alternatives, cellular phones and other forms of audio entertainment and advertisement. Competition for advertising revenues also comes directly from competitors such as Amazon, Apple, Meta and Alphabet.

The following are some of the factors that we believe are important to a station's competitive position: (i) audience ratings; (ii) program content; (iii) management experience; (iv) sales experience; (v) audience characteristics; and (vi) the number and characteristics of other stations and other advertising media in the market area. We attempt to improve our competitive position with promotional campaigns aimed at the demographic groups targeted by our stations and by sales efforts designed to attract advertisers. We conduct extensive market research in an effort to enhance our audience ratings and, in certain circumstances, to identify opportunities to reformat stations to reach underserved demographic groups and increase advertising revenue.

#### Federal Regulation of Radio Broadcasting

The radio broadcasting industry is subject to extensive and changing federal regulations administered by the FCC. Among other things, the FCC:

- determines the particular frequencies, locations, operating powers and other technical parameters of radio stations;
- issues, renews, revokes, conditions and modifies radio station licenses;
- determines whether to approve changes in ownership or control of radio station licenses;
- regulates equipment used by radio stations; and
- adopts and implements regulations and policies that directly or indirectly affect the ownership, operation, program content and employment practices of radio stations.

The FCC has the power to impose penalties for violations of its rules that are implemented pursuant to the Communications Act of 1934, as amended (the "Communications Act"), including the imposition of monetary forfeitures, the issuance of short-term licenses, the imposition of conditions on the renewal of a license, and, in egregious cases, non-renewal of licenses and the revocation of licenses.

The following is a brief summary of some provisions of the Communications Act and of certain specific FCC rules and policies. The summary is not a comprehensive listing of all of the regulations and policies affecting radio stations. For further information concerning the nature and extent of federal regulation of radio stations, you should refer to the Communications Act, FCC rules and FCC public notices, reports, orders and rulings.

**FCC Licenses.** Radio stations operate pursuant to licenses that are ordinarily granted by the FCC for renewable terms of eight years. A radio station may continue to operate beyond the expiration date of its license if a timely filed license renewal application is pending. During the period following the filing of renewal applications, petitions to deny license renewals can be filed by interested parties, including members of the public. Generally, the FCC renews a broadcast license upon a finding that (i) the broadcast station has served the public interest, convenience and necessity; (ii) there have been no serious violations by the licensee of the Communications Act or the FCC's rules; and (iii) there have been no other violations by the licensee of the Communications Act or other FCC rules that, when taken together, indicate a pattern of abuse. Historically, FCC licenses have generally been renewed. The most recent renewal cycle started in June 2019 and concluded in April 2022. All of our radio stations' licenses were renewed for full eight-year terms. The next renewal cycle will begin in June 2027. The non-renewal, or renewal with substantial conditions or modifications, of one or more of our licenses could have a material adverse effect on our business.

The FCC classifies each AM and FM radio station. An AM radio station operates on either a clear channel, regional channel or local channel. A clear channel is one on which AM radio stations are assigned to serve wide areas, particularly at night. The minimum and maximum facilities requirements for an FM radio station are determined by its class. Possible FM class designations depend upon the geographic zone in which the transmitter of the FM radio station is located.

The FCC also permits AM and FM radio stations to operate FM translators and FM stations to operate FM booster stations. These are low power secondary stations that retransmit the programming of a radio station to portions of the station's service area that the primary signal does not reach because of distance or terrain barriers. Boosters operate on the same frequency as the station being retransmitted and translators operate on a different frequency.

An Order adopted by the FCC to revitalize the AM band implemented several rule changes impacting the technical operations of AM stations, including relaxation of the daytime community coverage requirements and elimination of the nighttime community coverage requirements for existing AM stations. In addition, to increase the number of FM translators that are available for AM stations, the FCC authorized two specialized FM translator filing windows for AM stations. AM stations that received an FM translator station license pursuant to one of the windows are required to rebroadcast the paired AM station on the modified FM translator for four years. Several of our AM Stations filed applications during these windows and received licenses for translators. Since translators are secondary to full power stations, it is possible that translators we operate could be displaced by full power stations. In August 2019, new rules setting out specific procedures to be used to resolve complaints of interference between FM translators and full power stations became effective. Under these rules, full power stations may only bring an interference complaint if they experience interference in an area that is inside the station's 45 dBu contour.

Rules to allow AM stations to voluntarily convert to all-digital operations became effective in 2021.

The FCC has adopted rules establishing a low power radio service. Low power FM ("LPFM") stations operate in the existing FM radio band with a maximum operating power of 100 watts. FCC regulations regarding eligibility for and licensing of low power FM radio stations have expanded licensing opportunities for low power FM radio stations. Implementation of a low power radio service provides an additional audio programming service that could compete with our radio stations for listeners. In April 2020, the FCC adopted an Order revising technical rules applicable to LPFM stations to provide LPFM licensees with more flexibility, including allowing the use of FM boosters. In December 2023, the FCC allowed applicants seeking to operate new LPFM stations to file applications, and it is now reviewing applications filed.

**Rules and Regulations Regarding Indecency, Sponsorship ID and EAS Signals.** The FCC's rules prohibit the broadcast of obscene material at any time and indecent material between the hours of 6 am and 10 pm. Broadcasters' risk of violating the prohibition on the broadcast of indecent material is increased by the vagueness of the FCC's definition of indecent material, coupled with the spontaneity of live programming. The FCC has expanded the breadth of indecency regulation to include material that could be considered "blasphemy," "personally reviling epithets," "profanity" and vulgar or coarse words, amounting to a nuisance. The maximum permitted fine for an indecency violation is \$495,500 per incident and \$4,573,840 for any continuing violation arising from a single act or failure to act. Because the FCC may investigate indecency complaints prior to notifying a licensee of the existence of a complaint, a licensee may not have knowledge of a complaint unless and until the complaint results in the issuance of a formal FCC

letter of inquiry or notice of apparent liability for forfeiture. The FCC has advised that it will continue to pursue enforcement actions in egregious cases while it conducts its review of its indecency policies generally. In March 2015, the FCC issued a Notice of Apparent Liability for the then maximum forfeiture amount of \$325,000 against a television station for violation of its indecency policy. We cannot predict whether Congress will consider or adopt further legislation in this area.

FCC regulations require a radio station to include an on-air announcement that identifies the sponsor of all advertisements and other content broadcast by any radio station for which any money, service or other valuable consideration is received. Fines for such violations can be substantial as they are dependent on the number of times a particular advertisement is broadcast. In April 2021, the FCC adopted rules that require broadcast stations to disclose when foreign governmental entities have paid a station, directly or indirectly, to broadcast programming under a lease time agreement. Radio stations are required to take certain actions to determine if an entity leasing airtime from it is covered by the new rules. The National Association of Broadcasters (the "NAB") filed an appeal of the new rules, and in July 2021, the DC Circuit Court of Appeals struck down one aspect of the new rules that would have required stations to independently check certain government databases to determine if entities leasing programming were listed. In October 2021, the FCC adopted a new rulemaking proceeding that would require broadcasters to follow a revised procedure to determine whether entities leasing airtime are foreign governmental entities and to upload certifications to their online public files. The NAB and others have opposed the revised proposal, which is currently pending.

**Transfers or Assignment of License.** The Communications Act prohibits the assignment of broadcast licenses or the transfer of control of a broadcast licensee without the prior approval of the FCC. In determining whether to grant such approval, the FCC considers, among other things:

- compliance with the various rules limiting common ownership of media properties in a given market;
- the character of the proposed licensee and those persons holding attributable interests in the licensee; and
- compliance with the Communications Act's limitations on alien ownership as well as compliance with other FCC regulations and policies.

To obtain FCC consent to assign or transfer control of a broadcast license, appropriate applications must be filed with the FCC. Interested parties, including members of the public, have the opportunity to file objections against assignment and transfer of control applications.

**Multiple Ownership Rules.** The Communications Act and FCC rules impose specific limits on the number of commercial radio stations an entity can own, directly or by attribution, in a single market, and the combination of radio stations, television stations and newspapers that any entity can own, directly or by attribution, in a single market. Digital radio channels authorized for AM and FM stations do not count as separate "stations" for purposes of the ownership limits. The radio multiple-ownership rules may preclude us from acquiring certain radio stations we might otherwise seek to acquire. The ownership rules also effectively prevent us from selling radio stations in a market to a buyer that has reached its ownership limit in the market unless that buyer divests other radio stations. The FCC's ownership rules that are currently in effect and apply to our broadcast holdings are briefly summarized below.

**Local Radio Ownership Rule.** The local radio ownership rule establishes the following limits:

- in markets with 45 or more radio stations, ownership is limited to eight commercial radio stations, no more than five of which can be either AM or FM;
- in markets with 30 to 44 radio stations, ownership is limited to seven commercial radio stations, no more than four of which can be either AM or FM;
- in markets with 15 to 29 radio stations, ownership is limited to six commercial radio stations, no more than four of which can be either AM or FM; and
- in markets with 14 or fewer radio stations, ownership is limited to five commercial radio stations or no more than 50% of the market's total, whichever is lower, and no more than three of which can be either AM or FM.

For stations located in a market in which the Nielsen Audio ratings service provides ratings, the definition of "radio market" is based on the radio market to which BIA Kelsey reports assign the affected radio stations. For stations that are not in a Nielsen Audio market, the market definition is based on technical service areas. The FCC's rules also provide that parties which own groups of radio stations that comply with the previous (contour-based) multiple ownership rules, but do not comply with the current limits, will be allowed to retain those groups on a "grandfathered" basis, but will not be allowed to transfer or assign those groups intact. Under these rules, our ability to transfer or assign our radio stations as a group to a single buyer in one of our current markets may be limited.

**Ownership Attribution.** The FCC generally applies its ownership limits to attributable interests held by an individual, corporation, partnership or other entity. An "attributable" interest for purposes of the FCC's broadcast ownership rules generally includes: (i) equity and debt interests which combined exceed 33% of a licensee's total assets, if the interest holder supplies more than 15% of the licensee's total weekly programming, or has an attributable same-market media interest, whether television or radio; (ii) a 5% or greater direct or indirect voting stock interest, including certain interests held in trust, unless the holder is a qualified passive investor in which case the threshold is a 20% or greater voting stock interest; (iii) any equity interest in a limited liability company or a partnership, including a limited partnership, unless properly "insulated" from management activities; and (iv) any position as an officer or director of a licensee or its direct or indirect parent. In addition, the interests of minority shareholders in a corporation generally are not attributable if a single entity or individual controls 50% or more of that corporation's voting stock.

**Foreign Ownership Rules.** The Communications Act prohibits the issuance or holding of broadcast licenses by persons who are not U.S. citizens, whom the FCC rules refer to as "aliens," including any corporation organized under the laws of a foreign country or of which more than 20% of its capital stock is owned or voted by aliens. In addition, the FCC may prohibit any corporation from holding a broadcast license if the corporation is controlled by any other corporation of which more than 25% of the capital stock is owned of record or voted by aliens. The FCC has interpreted this provision of the Communications Act to require an affirmative public interest finding before a broadcast licensee may be granted or held by such an entity. The FCC reviews situations in which foreigners own more than 25% of a holding company of an entity that holds a broadcast license on a case by case basis. Entities seeking such review are required to request the FCC to issue a declaratory ruling permitting the proposed foreign ownership. In acting upon such requests, the FCC will coordinate with Executive Branch agencies on national security, law enforcement, foreign policy and other policy issues. The rules also specify how public companies should monitor foreign ownership compliance and provide for remedial provisions in the event a public company determines that it has exceeded its foreign ownership limits. The FCC's rules permit a broadcast licensee to file a petition with the FCC seeking approval for a proposed foreign investor to own up to 100% of the controlling parent entity and for a non-controlling foreign investor identified in the request to increase its equity and/or voting interest in a parent entity at a future time up to 49.9 percent. In October 2020, the FCC adopted rules to streamline the timeline for the required review of these requests by Executive Branch agencies and to require licensees to respond to a standardized set of national security and law enforcement questions. Our certificate of incorporation prohibits the ownership, voting and transfer of our capital stock in violation of the FCC restrictions, and prohibits the issuance of capital stock or the voting rights such capital stock represents to or for the account of aliens or corporations otherwise subject to domination or control by aliens in excess of the FCC limits. The certificate of incorporation authorizes our board of directors to enforce these prohibitions.

**Time Brokerage and Joint Sales Agreements.** It is not uncommon for radio stations to enter into agreements under which separately owned and licensed radio stations agree to enter into cooperative arrangements of varying sorts, subject to compliance with the requirements of antitrust laws and with the FCC's rules and policies. Under these arrangements, separately owned radio stations could agree to function cooperatively in programming, advertising sales and similar matters, subject to the requirement that the licensee of each radio station maintain independent control over the programming and operations of its own radio station.

The FCC's rules provide that a radio station that brokers more than 15% of the weekly broadcast time on another radio station serving the same market or sells more than 15% of the other station's advertising time per week will be considered to have an attributable ownership interest in the other radio station for purposes of the FCC's local radio ownership limits.

FCC rules that had also prohibited a broadcast station from duplicating more than 25% of its programming on another radio station serving substantially the same area in the same broadcast service, that is AM-AM or FM-FM, either through common ownership of the two radio stations or through a time brokerage agreement, were eliminated in October 2020. A Petition asking the FCC to reconsider the elimination of the rule for simulcasts of two commonly owned or operated FM stations serving substantially the same area is pending.

**Quadrennial Review of Ownership Rules.** The FCC is required to review quadrennially the media ownership rules and determine if the rules remain necessary in the public interest as a result of competition. In August 2016, the FCC released an Order in a proceeding that combined the 2010 and 2014 quadrennial reviews which retained most of the existing multiple ownership rules. In November 2017, the FCC released an Order on Reconsideration that eliminated the newspaper-broadcast and television-radio cross ownership rules, relaxed the local television ownership rule and eliminated the attribution of JSAs between television stations. The rule changes went into effect on February 7, 2018. However, several public interest organizations filed petitions for review with the Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit, the same court that considered challenges to prior ownership orders issued by the FCC. In an Order adopted in September 2019, the Third Circuit vacated the FCC's November 2017 Reconsideration Order. The FCC and the intervenors petitioned the Third Circuit for en banc review in November 2019, which the Third Circuit denied. Following the denial, in November 2019, a mandate reinstating the newspaper-broadcast and radio-television cross-ownership rules was issued. In April 2021, the Supreme Court in a unanimous decision reinstated the FCC's 2017 Reconsideration Order, which resulted in the elimination of the newspaper-broadcast and radio television cross-ownership rules and changes to the local television ownership rule. In June 2021, the FCC's Media Bureau issued an Order formally implementing the changes reflected in the November 2017 Reconsideration Order. In December 2018, the FCC launched its 2018 quadrennial review of multiple ownership rules. Because of the rule changes

implemented as a result of the Supreme Court decision, in 2021, the Media Bureau asked parties to update the record in the currently pending 2018 quadrennial review. Although the 2018 quadrennial review was still pending, in December 2022, the FCC issued a public notice to begin its statutorily mandated 2022 quadrennial review. In December 2023, the FCC issued an Order in the 2018 quadrennial review, which concluded that no significant changes to any of the multiple ownership rules were necessary. The Order made permanent the contour overlap method used to evaluate the number of radio stations in areas that are outside Nielsen rated markets. The 2022 quadrennial review remains pending.

**Programming and Operations.** The Communications Act requires broadcasters to serve the public interest. The FCC gradually has relaxed or eliminated many of the more formalized procedures it had developed in the past to promote the broadcast of certain types of programming responsive to the needs of a radio station's community of license. Under the currently effective rules, a licensee is required to present programming that is responsive to issues of the radio station's community of license and to maintain records demonstrating this responsiveness. All of our radio stations are required to maintain their public inspection files online on an FCC maintained website rather than in their physical studios. This means that the materials in these stations' public files are more widely accessible. Radio stations also must pay regulatory and application fees and follow various rules promulgated under the Communications Act. Those rules regulate, among other things, political advertising, sponsorship identifications, the advertisement of contests and lotteries, employment practices, broadcast of obscene and indecent content, and technical operations, including limits on human exposure to radio frequency radiation.

The FCC's rules on equal employment opportunities prohibit employment discrimination by radio stations on the basis of race, religion, color, national origin, and gender; and require broadcasters to implement programs to promote equal employment opportunities at their radio stations. The rules generally require broadcasters to widely disseminate information about full-time job openings to all segments of the community to ensure that all qualified applicants have sufficient opportunity to apply for the job, to send job vacancy announcements to recruitment organizations and others in the community indicating an interest in all or some vacancies at the radio station, and to implement a number of specific longer-term recruitment outreach efforts, such as job fairs, internship programs, and interaction with educational and community groups from among a menu of approaches itemized by the FCC. In April 2017, the FCC issued a Declaratory Ruling permitting broadcast stations to use online job postings as their sole means of recruiting, as long as online postings reach all segments of a broadcaster's community. In July 2021, the FCC adopted a Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking requesting parties to refresh the record regarding rules requiring broadcasters to annually report information on the composition of their workforce. The requirement to file this information has been suspended for almost two decades. The proceeding is pending but the FCC has drafted an Order which is expected to be adopted in 2024.

**Content Licenses and Royalties.** We must pay royalties to copyright owners of musical compositions (typically, songwriters and publishers) whenever we broadcast or stream musical compositions. Copyright owners of musical compositions most often rely on intermediaries known as performing rights organizations ("PROs") to negotiate licenses with copyright users for the public performance of their compositions, collect royalties under such licenses and distribute them to copyright owners. We have obtained public performance licenses from, and pay license fees to, the four major PROs in the U.S., which are the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers ("ASCAP"), Broadcast Music, Inc. ("BMI"), SESAC LLC ("SESAC") and Global Music Rights LLC ("GMR"). There is no guarantee that additional PROs will not emerge, which could impact, and in some circumstances increase, our royalty rates and negotiation costs.

To secure the rights to stream music content over the Internet, we also must obtain performance rights licenses and pay public performance royalties to copyright owners of sound recordings (typically, performing artists and record companies). Under Federal statutory licenses, we are permitted to stream any lawfully released sound recordings and to make ephemeral reproductions of these recordings on our computer servers without having to separately negotiate and obtain direct licenses with each individual copyright owner as long as we operate in compliance with the rules of those statutory licenses and pay the applicable royalty rates to Sound Exchange, the organization designated by the Copyright Royalty Board ("CRB") to collect and distribute royalties under these statutory licenses. From time to time, Sound Exchange notifies us that certain calendar years are subject to routine audits of our royalty payments. The results of such audits could result in higher royalty payments for the subject years.

The rates at which we pay royalties to copyright owners are privately negotiated or set pursuant to a regulatory process. Increased royalty rates could significantly increase our expenses, which could adversely affect our business. There is no guarantee that the licenses and associated royalty rates that currently are available to us will be available to us in the future. In addition, Congress may consider and adopt legislation that would require us to pay royalties to sound recording copyright owners for broadcasting those recordings on our terrestrial radio stations.

**Proposed and Recent Changes.** Congress and the FCC are considering, or may in the future consider and adopt new laws, regulations and policies regarding a wide variety of matters that could affect, directly or indirectly, the operation, ownership and profitability of our radio stations, including the loss of audience share and advertising revenues for our radio stations, and an inability to acquire additional radio stations or to finance those acquisitions. Such matters may include:



- changes in the FCC's multiple-ownership rules and attribution policies;
- regulatory fees, spectrum use fees or other fees on FCC licenses;
- changes in laws with respect to foreign ownership of broadcast licenses;
- revisions to the FCC's rules relating to political broadcasting, including proposals to give free airtime to candidates and other changes regarding political advertising rates, sponsorship disclosure and political file recordkeeping obligations;
- technical and frequency allocation matters;
- proposals to restrict or prohibit the advertising of beer, wine and other alcoholic beverages on the radio;
- proposals to restrict or prohibit the advertising of online casinos, online sports betting services and fantasy sports services;
- proposals to require radio broadcasters to pay royalties to musicians and record labels for the performance of music played on the stations;
- proposals to limit the tax deductibility of or impose sales tax on advertising expenses by advertisers;
- proposals to regulate or prohibit payments to stations by independent record promoters, record labels and others for the inclusion of specific content in broadcast programming; and
- proposals in legislation to strengthen protections against online infringement of intellectual property that would impose criminal penalties on content providers, including broadcasters, that fail to comply with legal requirements to file reports regarding internet streaming in a timely manner.

The FCC has also adopted procedures for the auction of broadcast spectrum in circumstances where two or more parties have filed for new or major change applications that are mutually exclusive. Such procedures may limit our efforts to modify or expand the broadcast signals of our radio stations.

We cannot predict what other matters might be considered in the future by the FCC or Congress, nor can we judge in advance what impact, if any, the implementation of any of these proposals or changes might have on our business.

**Federal Antitrust Laws.** The agencies responsible for enforcing the federal antitrust laws, the Federal Trade Commission ("FTC") or the Department of Justice, may investigate certain acquisitions. In January 2022, they jointly announced an initiative to review and revise federal merger guidelines. The Department of Justice and the FTC have reviewed numerous potential radio acquisitions where an operator proposed to acquire an additional station in its existing markets or multiple stations in new markets, and has challenged a number of such transactions. Some of these challenges have resulted in consent decrees requiring the sale of certain stations. We cannot predict the outcome of any specific FTC or Department of Justice investigation or how any revisions to the merger guidelines will impact radio industry mergers and acquisitions. Any decision by the FTC or the Department of Justice to challenge a proposed acquisition could affect our ability to consummate the acquisition or to consummate it on the proposed terms.

For an acquisition meeting certain size thresholds, the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976 requires the parties to file Notification and Report Forms concerning antitrust issues with the FTC and the Department of Justice and to observe specified waiting period requirements before consummating the acquisition. In December 2023, the agencies issued revisions to the merger guidelines, which may increase scrutiny of certain mergers.

#### **Regulation of the Internet**

Our business is subject to privacy and data protection legislation and regulation. We obtain information from users of our technology platforms, including, without limitation, our websites, web pages, applications, social media pages, and mobile applications ("Platforms"), in accordance with the privacy policies and terms of use posted on the applicable Platform. We collect personally identifiable information directly from Platform users in several ways, including when a user registers to use our services, fills out a listener profile, posts comments, uses our social networking features, participates in polls and contests and signs up to receive email newsletters. We use and share this information for a variety of business purposes, including for analytics, attribution and to manage and execute digital advertising campaigns in a variety of ways.

We are subject to several laws and regulations relating to consumer protection, information security, data protection and privacy. Many of these laws and regulations are still evolving and could be interpreted in ways that could harm our business or limit the services we are able to offer. In the areas of information security and data protection, the laws in several states in the United States and

most countries require companies to implement specific information security controls and legal protections to protect certain types of personally identifiable information. Likewise, most states in the United States and most countries have laws in place requiring companies to notify users if there is a security breach that compromises certain categories of their personally identifiable information. Any failure on our part to comply with these laws may subject us to significant liabilities. For example, the California Consumer Privacy Act ("CCPA") establishes a new privacy framework that expands the definition of personal information, establishes new data privacy rights for consumers residing in the State of California, imposes special rules on the collection of consumer data from minors, creates new notice obligations and new limits on the sale of personal information, and creates a new and potentially severe statutory damages framework for (i) violations of the CCPA and (ii) businesses that fail to implement reasonable security procedures and practices to prevent data breaches. Our websites are also subject to regulation relating to acquisition of personal information from children under the age of 13, including the federal Child Online Privacy Protection Act ("COPPA") and the federal Controlling the Assault of Non-Solicited Pornography and Marketing Act ("CAN-SPAM"). Additional federal, state, and territorial laws and regulations may be adopted with respect to the Internet or other online services, covering such issues as user privacy, child safety, data security, advertising, product and service endorsements, pricing, content, copyrights and trademarks, access by persons with disabilities, distribution, taxation and characteristics and quality of products and services.

#### **HD Radio**

Several years ago, the FCC selected In-Band On-Channel technology as the exclusive technology for the introduction of terrestrial digital operations by AM and FM radio stations. The technology is also known as "HD Radio." The advantages of digital audio broadcasting over traditional analog broadcasting technology include improved sound quality, the ability to broadcast additional channels, and the ability to offer a greater variety of auxiliary services. We currently utilize HD Radio digital technology on most of our stations. In August 2023, the FCC released a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking seeking public comment on proposals to adopt rule changes that would improve digital FM signal quality and coverage while minimizing harmful interference to adjacent-channel stations. We filed comments supporting the proposed rule changes.

#### **Seasonality**

Seasonal revenue fluctuations are common in the radio broadcasting industry and are due primarily to fluctuations in advertising expenditures. Our net revenues are typically lowest in the first quarter and generally higher in the second and fourth quarters of the year. In addition, our revenues tend to fluctuate between years, consistent with, among other things, increased advertising expenditures in even-numbered years by political candidates, political parties and special interest groups. This political spending typically is heaviest during the fourth quarter of such years.

#### **Human Capital Resources**

As of February 6, 2024, we had a staff of 755 full-time employees and 372 part-time employees. We are a party to two separate collective bargaining agreements with the American Federation of Television and Radio Artists. Both agreements automatically renew for successive one-year periods unless either party gives a notice of proposed termination at least sixty days prior to a renewal date. We are also a party to a collective bargaining agreement with the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers of America Local 262. This agreement applies only to certain of our employees at one station in Boston. The initial term of the collective bargaining agreement expired on July 16, 2021; however, it automatically renews for successive one-year periods unless either party gives a notice of proposed modification or termination at least sixty days prior to the expiration date or a subsequent renewal date. We consider our relations with our employees to be good.

#### **Environmental**

As the owner, lessee or operator of various real properties and facilities, we are subject to federal, state and local environmental laws and regulations. Historically, compliance with these laws and regulations has not had a material adverse effect on our business. There can be no assurance, however, that compliance with existing or new environmental laws and regulations will not require us to make significant expenditures in the future.

#### **Available Information**

Our internet address is [www.bbgj.com](http://www.bbgj.com). You may obtain through our website, free of charge, copies of our annual reports on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K, and any amendments to those reports filed or furnished pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"). These reports will be available as soon as reasonably practicable after we electronically file such material with, or furnish such material to, the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC").

The SEC maintains an internet site, [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov), that contains reports, proxy and information statements, and other information regarding issuers that file electronically with the SEC.

## ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS

### CAUTIONARY NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

*Our disclosure and analysis in this annual report on Form 10-K concerning our operations, cash flows and financial position, including, in particular, the likelihood of our success in developing and expanding our business, includes forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act") and Section 21E of the Exchange Act. Statements that are predictive in nature, that depend upon or refer to future events or conditions, or that include words such as "expects," "anticipates," "intends," "plans," "believes," "estimates" and similar expressions are forward-looking statements. Although these statements are based upon assumptions we consider reasonable, they are subject to risks and uncertainties that are described more fully below. Accordingly, we can give no assurance that we will achieve the results anticipated or implied by our forward-looking statements.*

**There can be no assurance that we will be able to comply with the continued listing standards of the Nasdaq Global Market.**

Our Class A common stock is currently listed for trading on the Nasdaq Global Market, and we must satisfy certain continued listing requirements to maintain the listing. On April 27, 2023, we received a written notice (the "April Notice") from the Listing Qualifications Department of The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC ("Nasdaq") notifying us that, for the last 30 consecutive business days, the bid price for our Class A common stock had closed below the \$1.00 per share minimum bid price requirement for continued inclusion on the Nasdaq Global Market pursuant to Nasdaq Listing Rule 5450(a)(1) (the "Minimum Bid Price Requirement"). On May 19, 2023, we received a notice from Nasdaq notifying us that we had regained compliance with the Minimum Bid Price Requirement and that the matter was closed.

On October 13, 2023, we received a written notice (the "October Notice") from the Listing Qualifications Department of Nasdaq notifying us that, for the last 30 consecutive business days, the bid price for our Class A common stock had closed below the Minimum Bid Price Requirement. In accordance with Nasdaq rules, we have been provided 180 calendar days, or until April 10, 2024, to regain compliance. The October Notice is only a notification of deficiency, not of imminent delisting, and has no current effect on the listing or trading of our securities on the Nasdaq Global Market.

We intend to actively monitor the closing bid price of our Class A common stock and will consider all reasonable available options to regain compliance with the Minimum Bid Price Requirement, which may include transferring the listing to the Nasdaq Capital Market and/or seeking stockholder approval to effect a reverse stock split. There can be no assurance that we will regain compliance with the Minimum Bid Price Requirement during the 180-day compliance period, secure a second 180-day period to regain compliance, maintain compliance with the other Nasdaq listing requirements or be successful in appealing any delisting determination.

If we are delisted from Nasdaq but obtain a substitute listing for our Class A common stock, it will likely be on a market with less liquidity, and therefore experience potentially more price volatility than experienced on Nasdaq. Stockholders may not be able to sell their shares of our Class A common stock on any such substitute market in the quantities, at the times, or at the prices that could potentially be available on a more liquid trading market. As a result of these factors, if our Class A common stock is delisted from Nasdaq, the value and liquidity of our Class A common stock would likely be significantly adversely affected.

**We face risks related to health epidemics, natural disasters and other catastrophes, which have materially and adversely affected our results of operations, liquidity and financial condition.**

We are subject to social and natural catastrophic events that are beyond our control, such as health epidemics, including the COVID-19 pandemic, natural disasters and other catastrophes, which have materially and adversely affected our business and may continue to materially and adversely affect our results of operations, liquidity and financial condition.

**We may be adversely affected by the effects of inflation.**

Inflation has the potential to adversely affect our liquidity, business, financial condition and results of operations by increasing our overall cost structure, particularly if we are unable to achieve commensurate increases in the prices we charge our customers. The existence of inflation in the economy has resulted in, and may continue to result in, higher interest rates and capital costs, increased costs of labor, weakening exchange rates and other similar effects. As a result of inflation, we have experienced, and may continue to experience, cost increases. Although we may take measures to mitigate the impact of this inflation, if these measures are not effective, our business, financial condition, results of operations and liquidity could be materially adversely affected. Even if such measures are effective, there could be a difference between the timing of when these beneficial actions impact our results of operations and when the cost of inflation is incurred.

**The radio broadcasting industry faces many unpredictable business risks and is sensitive to external economic forces that could have a material adverse effect on our advertising revenues and results of operations.**

Our future operations are subject to many business risks, including those risks that specifically influence the radio broadcasting industry, which could have a material adverse effect on our business. These risks include, but are not limited to:

- shifts in population, demographics or audience preferences;
- increased competition for advertising revenues with other radio stations, broadcast television, digital, satellite and cable television, video streaming services, newspapers and magazines, outdoor advertising, direct mail, internet radio, satellite radio, smart phones, tablets, and other wireless media, the internet, social media, smart speakers and other forms of advertising;
- increased competition for advertising revenues from Amazon, Apple, Meta and Alphabet; and
- changes in government regulations and policies and actions of federal regulatory bodies, including the FCC, Internal Revenue Service, the Department of Justice, and the Federal Trade Commission.

The main source of our revenue is the sale of advertising. Our ability to sell advertising can be affected by, among other things:

- economic conditions in the areas where our stations are located and in the nation as a whole;
- the popularity of the programming offered by our stations;
- changes in population, demographics or audience preferences in the areas where our stations are located;
- local and national advertising price fluctuations, which can be affected by the availability of programming, the popularity of programming, and the relative supply of and demand for commercial advertising;
- our competitors' activities, including increased competition from other advertising-based mediums and new technologies;
- decisions by advertisers to withdraw or delay planned advertising expenditures for any reason; and
- other factors beyond our control.

In addition, we believe that, for most businesses, advertising is a discretionary business expense, meaning that spending on advertising tends to decline disproportionately during an economic recession or downturn, as compared to other types of business spending.

Further, our operations and revenues also tend to be seasonal in nature, with generally lower revenue generated in the first quarter of the year and generally higher revenue generated in the second and fourth quarters of the year. The seasonality of our business reflects the adult orientation of our formats and relationship between advertising purchases on these formats and the retail cycle. This seasonality causes, and will likely continue to cause, a variation in our quarterly operating results. Such variations could have a material effect on the timing of our cash flows. In addition, our revenues tend to fluctuate between years, consistent with, among other things, increased advertising expenditures in even-numbered years by political candidates, political parties, political action committees and special interest groups. This political spending typically is heaviest during the fourth quarter of such years.

Additionally, unfavorable changes in economic conditions as well as declining consumer confidence, recession and other factors could lead to decreased demand for advertising and negatively impact our advertising revenues and our results of operations. We cannot predict with accuracy the timing or duration of any economic downturn generally, or in the markets in which our advertisers operate. If the economic environment does worsen, there can be no assurance that we will not experience a decline in revenues, which may negatively impact our financial condition and results of operations.

**Our stations may not be able to compete effectively in their respective markets for advertising revenues, which could adversely affect our revenue and cash flows.**

We operate in a highly competitive business. A decline in our audience share or advertising rates in a particular market may cause a decline in the revenue and cash flows of our stations located in that market. Our stations compete for audiences and advertising revenues within their respective markets directly with other stations, as well as with other media platforms and companies selling digital advertising. These other media platforms include broadcast television, digital, satellite and cable television, video streaming services, newspapers and magazines, outdoor advertising, direct mail, internet radio, satellite radio, smart phones, tablets, and other

wireless media, the internet, social media, smart speakers, podcasts and other forms of advertising. Our radio stations also compete for audiences and advertising revenues within their respective markets directly with Amazon, Apple, Meta and Alphabet.

Our stations could suffer a reduction in audience ratings or advertising revenue and could incur increased promotional and other expenses if:

- another station in a market was to convert its programming to a format similar to, and thereby compete more directly with, one of our stations;
- a new station was to adopt a comparable format or if an existing competitor were to improve its audience share; or
- a current or new advertising alternative increased its share of local or national advertising revenue.

Other radio broadcasting companies may enter into markets in which we operate or may operate in the future. These companies may be larger and have more financial resources than we have. As a result, our stations may not be able to maintain or increase their current audience ratings and advertising revenues.

Further, advertising revenue may vary from even- to odd-numbered years based on the volatility and unpredictability of political advertising revenue. Political advertising revenue from elections, which is generally greater in even-numbered years when federal elections occur, has the potential to create fluctuations in our operating results on a year-to-year basis. In addition, political advertising revenue is dependent on the level of political advertising expenditures and competitiveness of particular races within each local market.

**If we are unable to develop compelling and differentiated digital content, products and services, our advertising revenues could be adversely affected.**

In order to attract consumers and generate increased activity on our digital properties, we believe that we must offer compelling and differentiated content, products and services. However, acquiring, developing, and offering such content, products and services may require significant costs and time to develop, while consumer tastes may be difficult to predict and are subject to rapid change. If we are unable to provide content, products and services that are sufficiently attractive to our digital users, we may not be able to generate the increases in activity necessary to generate increased advertising revenues. In addition, although we have access to certain content provided by our other businesses, we may be required to make substantial payments to license such content. Many of our content arrangements with third parties are non-exclusive, so competitors may be able to offer similar or identical content. If we are not able to acquire or develop compelling content and do so at reasonable prices, or if other companies offer content that is similar to that provided by our digital department, we may not be able to attract and increase the engagement of digital consumers on our digital properties.

Continued growth in our digital business also depends on our ability to continue offering a competitive and distinctive range of advertising products and services for advertisers and publishers and our ability to maintain or increase prices for our advertising products and services. Continuing to develop and improve these products and services requires significant time and costs. If we cannot continue to develop and improve our advertising products and services, or if prices for our advertising products and services decrease, our digital advertising revenues could be adversely affected.

**Our success is dependent upon audience acceptance of our content, particularly our audio programs, which is difficult to predict.**

Media and audio content production and distribution are inherently risky businesses because the revenues derived from the production and distribution of media content or an audio program, and the licensing of rights to the intellectual property associated with the content or program, depend primarily upon their acceptance and perceptions by the public, which are difficult to predict. The commercial success of content or a program also depends upon the quality and acceptance of other competing programs released into the marketplace at or near the same time, the availability of alternative forms of entertainment and leisure time activities, general economic conditions, and other tangible and intangible factors, all of which are difficult to predict.

Ratings for broadcast stations and the amount of traffic on a particular website are also factors that are weighed when advertisers determine which outlets to use and in determining the advertising rates that the outlet receives. Poor ratings or traffic levels can lead to a reduction in pricing and advertising revenues. For example, if there is an event causing a change of programming at one of our stations, there could be no assurance that any replacement programming would generate the same level of ratings, revenues, or profitability as the previous programming. In addition, changes in ratings methodology and technology could adversely impact our ratings and negatively affect our advertising revenues.

Finally, the costs of developing and distributing content and programming most popular with the public may change significantly if new performance royalties (such as those that have been proposed by members of Congress from time to time) are imposed upon radio broadcasters or internet operators, and such changes could have a material impact upon our business.

**We may not remain competitive if we do not respond to changes in technology, standards and services that affect our industry.**

The radio broadcasting industry is subject to technological change, evolving industry standards and the emergence of alternate media platforms, technologies and services. We may not have the resources to acquire and deploy other technologies or to introduce new services that could compete with these other technologies. Competition arising from other technologies or regulatory changes may have an adverse effect on the radio broadcasting industry or on our Company. Various other audio technologies and services that have been developed and introduced include:

- home and personal digital audio devices (e.g., smart phones, tablets, smart speakers);
- satellite delivered digital audio radio services that offer numerous programming channels;
- internet-based audio music services;
- audio programming by internet content providers, internet radio stations, cable systems, direct broadcast satellite systems, personal communications services and other digital audio broadcast formats;
- HD Radio, which provides multi-channel, multi-format digital radio services in the same bandwidth currently occupied by traditional AM and FM radio services;
- low power FM radio stations, which are non-commercial FM radio broadcast outlets that serve small, localized areas;
- portable digital devices and systems that permit users to listen to programming on a time-delayed basis and to fast-forward through programming and/or advertisements; and
- vehicles equipped with dashboards that provide internet connectivity that increase the number of audio and video platforms available in vehicles (e.g., ATSC 3.0 technology) or that eliminate tuners for certain older technologies such as AM radio.

These and other new technologies have the potential to change the means by which advertisers can reach target audiences most effectively. We cannot predict the effect, if any, that competition arising from other technologies or regulatory change may have on the radio broadcasting industry or on our financial condition and results of operations.

Such new media and technology has resulted in increased fragmentation in the advertising market, and we cannot predict the effect, if any, that additional competition arising from new technologies may have across our business or our financial condition and results of operations, which may be adversely affected if we are not able to adapt successfully to these new media technologies or distribution platforms. The continuing growth and evolution of channels and platforms have increased our challenges in differentiating ourselves from other media platforms. We continually seek to develop and enhance our content offerings and distribution platforms/methodologies. Failure to effectively execute these efforts, actions by our competitors, or other failures to deliver content effectively could hurt our ability to differentiate ourselves from our competitors and, as a result, have adverse effects across our business.

**We are dependent on federally issued licenses to operate our stations and are subject to extensive federal regulation.**

The radio broadcasting industry is subject to extensive regulation by the FCC under the Communications Act. We are required to obtain licenses from the FCC to operate our stations. Our business depends upon maintaining our broadcast licenses, which are issued by the FCC for a term of eight years and are renewable. Although the vast majority of FCC radio station licenses are routinely renewed, we cannot assure you that the FCC will approve our future renewal applications or that the renewals will be for full eight-year terms or will not include conditions or qualifications that could adversely affect our operations. The non-renewal, or renewal with substantial conditions or modifications, of one or more of our licenses could have a material adverse effect on us. All our station licenses were renewed for full eight-year terms in the most recent renewal cycle, which concluded in August 2022.

We must comply with extensive FCC regulations and policies regarding the ownership and operation of our stations. FCC regulations limit the number of radio stations that a licensee can own in a market, which could restrict our ability to consummate any future transactions, and in certain circumstances, could require us to divest one or more stations. Online music services such as Amazon Music Unlimited, Apple Music, Pandora and Spotify are not regulated by the FCC; therefore, they are not subject to any ownership restrictions or FCC regulations governing their operations. Our ability to compete with online music services may be impeded because of the extensive FCC regulations to which we are subject. The FCC also requires radio stations to comply with

certain technical requirements to limit interference between two or more radio stations. Possible changes in interference protections, creation of additional classes of FM stations, spectrum allocations and other technical rules may negatively affect the operation of our stations. If the FCC relaxes certain technical requirements, it could impair the signals transmitted by our stations and could have a material adverse effect on us. In addition, the FCC has recently increased its enforcement of certain regulations, including regulations requiring a radio station to include an on-air announcement which identifies the sponsor of all advertisements and other content broadcast by any radio station for which any money, service or other valuable consideration is received, requiring all radio stations to maintain online public inspection files hosted on an FCC database that is easily accessible by members of the public and the FCC, and prohibiting the transmission of EAS tones or simulations thereof in the absence of an actual emergency or authorized test. Moreover, these FCC regulations and others may change over time, and we cannot assure you that those changes would not have a material adverse effect on us.

The FCC regulates FM translator stations as a secondary service, and in the event that an FM translator station causes actual interference to the signal of a radio or television station, FCC rules require the FM translator station to eliminate the interference and to suspend operations if the interference cannot be eliminated. If the FCC requires any FM translator station that we operate to modify its facilities to eliminate interference caused to another station or to cease broadcasting, it could materially impair the operations of the station that the FM translator rebroadcasts which could have a material adverse effect on us.

**Vigorous enforcement of the FCC's indecency rules could have a material adverse effect on our business.**

The FCC's rules prohibit the broadcast of obscene material at any time and indecent material between the hours of 6 a.m. and 10 p.m. The risk of violating the prohibition on the broadcast of indecent material is increased by the vagueness of the FCC's definition of indecent material, coupled with the spontaneity of live programming. The FCC has expanded the breadth of indecency regulation to include material that could be considered "blasphemy," "personally reviling epithets," "profanity" and vulgar or coarse words amounting to a nuisance. As a result, in the event that we broadcast material falling within the expanded breadth of the FCC's regulation, we could be subject to license revocation, or renewal or qualifications proceedings, which would put the licenses that we depend on for our operations in jeopardy. In 2007, the monetary penalties for broadcasting indecent programming increased substantially. The current maximum permitted fines for an indecency violation is \$495,500 per incident and \$4,573,840 for any continuing violation arising from a single act or failure to act. In a decision issued in June 2012, the Supreme Court did not find that the FCC's indecency standards were inconsistent with the First Amendment, which means the FCC may continue to enforce the standards. The FCC has advised that it will continue to pursue enforcement actions in egregious cases while it conducts a review of its indecency policy generally, and in March 2015, the FCC issued a Notice of Apparent Liability for the then maximum forfeiture amount of \$325,000 against a television station. Because the FCC may investigate indecency complaints prior to notifying a licensee of the existence of a complaint, a licensee may not have knowledge of a complaint unless and until the complaint results in the issuance of a formal FCC letter of inquiry or notice of apparent liability for forfeiture.

We may in the future become subject to additional inquiries or proceedings related to our stations' broadcast of indecent or obscene material. To the extent that these pending inquiries or other proceedings result in the imposition of fines, revocation of any of our station licenses or denials of license renewal applications, our business and results of operations could be materially adversely affected.

**The royalties we pay to copyright owners could increase significantly, and proposed legislation could require radio broadcasters to pay royalties to record labels and recording artists.**

We pay royalties to copyright owners of musical compositions (typically song composers and publishers) whenever we broadcast or stream musical compositions. These royalties are paid through ASCAP, BMI, SESAC, GMR, and Sound Exchange. The rates at which we pay royalties to copyright owners are privately negotiated or set pursuant to a regulatory process. Increased royalty rates could significantly increase our expenses, which could adversely affect our business. There is no guarantee that the licenses and associated royalty rates that currently are available to us will be available to us in the future. In addition, legislation has been previously introduced in Congress that would require radio broadcasters to pay a performance royalty to record labels and performing artists for use of their recorded songs. The proposed legislation would add an additional layer of royalties to be paid directly to the record labels and artists. It is currently unknown what proposed legislation, if any, will become law, whether industry groups will enter into an agreement with respect to performance fees, and what significance this royalty would have on our results from operations, cash flows or financial position.

**We depend on selected market clusters of stations for a material portion of our net revenue.**

The stations located in Boston, MA, Detroit, MI and Philadelphia, PA contributed 58% of our net revenue in 2023. Accordingly, we have greater exposure to adverse events or conditions in any of these markets, such as changes in the economy, shifts in population or demographics, or changes in audience tastes, or local government actions, which could adversely impact our results from operations, cash flows or financial position.



**We are exposed to credit risk on our accounts receivable. This risk is heightened during periods of uncertain economic conditions.**

Our outstanding accounts receivable are not covered by collateral or credit insurance. Credit risk on our receivables is heightened during periods of uncertain economic conditions, and there can be no assurance that our procedures to monitor and limit exposure to credit risk will be effective and enable us to avoid losses, which could have a material adverse effect on our results from operations, cash flows or financial position. We also maintain reserves to cover the uncollectibility of a portion of our accounts receivable, however, the estimate which is based on current information may differ from actual results.

**A future impairment of our FCC licenses and/or goodwill could adversely affect our operating results.**

As of December 31, 2023, our FCC licenses and goodwill represented 69% of our total assets. We are required to test our FCC licenses and goodwill for impairment on an annual basis, or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate that our FCC licenses and/or goodwill might be impaired, and we have, from time to time, recorded impairment charges as a result of such tests. We assess qualitative factors to determine whether it is more likely than not that our FCC licenses and/or goodwill might be impaired. If we determine it is more likely than not that our FCC licenses and/or goodwill are impaired, then we are required to perform a quantitative impairment test. The valuation of our FCC licenses and goodwill is based on estimates rather than precise calculations. The fair value measurements for both our FCC licenses and goodwill use significant unobservable inputs which reflect our own assumptions about the estimates that market participants would use in measuring fair value including assumptions about risk. If actual future results are not consistent with the assumptions and estimates used, we may be exposed to impairment charges in the future, which could be material and could adversely affect our results of operations and financial condition. For further discussion, see "Item 7 - Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations - Critical Accounting Estimates" of this report.

**We have substantial debt that could have important consequences to you.**

We have debt that is substantial in relation to our equity. As of December 31, 2023, we had long-term debt of \$267.0 million and equity of \$149.0 million. Our long-term debt is substantial in amount and could have an impact on you. For example, it could:

- require us to dedicate a substantial portion of our cash flows from operations to debt service, thereby reducing the availability of cash flows for other purposes, including ongoing capital expenditures and future acquisitions;
- impair our ability to obtain additional financing for working capital, capital expenditures, acquisitions and general corporate or other purposes;
- limit our ability to compete, expand and make capital improvements;
- increase our vulnerability to economic downturns, limit our ability to withstand competitive pressures and reduce our flexibility in responding to changing business and economic conditions; and
- limit or prohibit our ability to pay dividends and make other distributions.

Any additional borrowings or note offerings would further increase the amount of our debt and the associated risks. In addition, there can be no assurances that additional financing will be available or on terms that will be acceptable to us, or at all.

**Our ability to pay regular dividends on our common stock is subject to the discretion of our Board of Directors and may be limited by our structure, statutory restrictions and restrictions imposed by the Indenture governing our Notes as well as any future agreements.**

Our board of directors has suspended future quarterly dividend payments until it is determined that resumption of dividend payments is in the best interest of the Company's stockholders. While we intend to pay a regular quarterly cash dividend, future payments, if any, will be at the discretion of our Board of Directors. Future quarterly dividend payments can also be changed or discontinued at any time and will be subject to limitations under the terms of the Indenture governing our Notes (as defined below), as well as any future agreements. The payment and timing of any future quarterly dividends will also depend upon, among other things, our future operations and earnings, capital requirements and surplus, general financial condition, contractual restrictions and other factors deemed relevant by our Board of Directors.

**Our corporate offices and several of our stations are located in areas that could be affected by hurricanes.**

Florida is susceptible to hurricanes, and we have our corporate offices located in Naples, and stations located in Fort Myers and Tampa. These stations contributed 13% of our net revenue in 2023. Our corporate offices and our stations located in Florida and other

stations located along the east coast of the United States have been materially affected by hurricanes in the past and may be materially affected in the future, which could have an adverse impact on our business, financial condition and results of operations. We carry property damage insurance on all of our properties and business interruption insurance on some of our properties, but there can be no assurance that such insurance would be adequate to cover all of our hurricane-related losses.

**The failure or destruction of the internet, satellite systems and transmitter facilities that we depend upon to distribute our programming could adversely affect our operating results.**

We use studios, satellite systems, transmitter facilities and the internet to originate and/or distribute our station programs and commercials. We rely on third-party contracts and services to operate our origination and distribution facilities. These third-party contracts and services include, but are not limited to, electrical power, satellite transponders, uplinks and downlinks and telecom circuits. We do not control these third parties or the quality, security or testing of various third-party software, hardware or infrastructure products that are utilized in our business. Distribution may be disrupted due to one or more third parties losing their ability to provide particular services to us, which could adversely affect our distribution capabilities. A disruption can be caused as a result of any number of events, such as local disasters (accidental or environmental), various acts of terrorism, power outages, cyber-attacks, major telecom connectivity failures or satellite failures. Our ability to distribute programming to station audiences may be disrupted for an undetermined period of time until alternate facilities are engaged and put online. Furthermore, until third-party services resume, the inability to originate or distribute programming could have a material adverse effect on our business and results of operations.

**Disruptions or security breaches of our information technology infrastructure could interfere with our operations, compromise client information, expose us to liability, and cause material adverse effects on our business and reputation.**

Any technology error or failure impacting systems hosted internally or externally, or any large-scale interruption to the technology infrastructure we depend on, such as power, telecommunications or the internet, may disrupt our operations. Any individual, sustained or repeated failure of technology could impact our customer service and result in increased costs or reduced revenues. Our technology systems and related data are also vulnerable to a variety of sources of interruption due to events beyond our control, including natural disasters, terrorist attacks, telecommunications failures, cyber-attacks, computer viruses, hackers and other security issues. Our technology security initiatives, disaster recovery plans and other measures may not be adequate or implemented properly to prevent a cyberattack or business disruption and its adverse financial consequences to our reputation.

In addition, as a part of our ordinary business operations, we and certain of our third-party providers collect, process, store and maintain sensitive data, including the personal information of our clients, listeners, employees, contractors, business partners and others as well as trade secrets and other proprietary business information. The secure operation of the networks and systems on which this type of information is stored, processed and maintained is critical to our business operations and strategy. Any compromise of our technology systems resulting from attacks by hackers or breaches due to employee error or malfeasance could result in the loss, disclosure, misappropriation of or access to clients', listeners', employees' contractors' or business partners' information. Any such loss, disclosure, misappropriation or access could result in legal claims or proceedings (including class actions), liability or regulatory penalties under laws protecting the privacy of personal information, disruption of our operations and damage to our reputation, any or all of which could adversely affect our business.

**Our business is dependent upon the proper functioning of our business processes and information systems and modification or interruption of such systems may disrupt our business, processes and internal controls.**

We rely heavily on technology, such as computer systems, hardware, software, technology infrastructure and online sites and networks for both internal and external operations, to operate our business, including our own information technology systems and the information technology systems and technology of our third-party providers. The proper functioning of our business processes and information systems is critical to the efficient operation and management of our business. If these information technology systems fail or are interrupted, our operations may be adversely affected and operating results could be harmed.

Our information technology systems, and those of third-party providers, are vulnerable to damage or disruption caused by circumstances beyond our control. These include catastrophic events, power anomalies or outages and natural disasters, and, increasingly, technological risks associated with computer system or network failures, viruses or malware, misconfigurations, bugs or securities vulnerabilities in hardware and software, physical or electronic intrusions, and unauthorized access associated with cyber-attacks that threaten the confidentiality, integrity and availability of our information technology systems and confidential information.

We and certain of our third-party vendors have been the target of cyber-attacks, including phishing attacks, ransomware attacks, and attempted denial of service attacks, and future attacks are likely to occur. While no cyber-attack has had a material impact thus far, if successful, these types of attacks could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition, results of operations and cash flows, due to, among other things, the loss of customer data and other confidential information, interruptions to our operations, and

damage to our reputation. Cyberattacks are expected to accelerate on a global basis in frequency and magnitude as threat actors are increasingly sophisticated in using techniques and tools – including generative and other artificial intelligence – that circumvent security controls, evade detection and remove forensic evidence. As a result, we may be unable to detect, investigate, remediate or recover from future attacks or incidents, or to avoid a material adverse impact to our systems or information.

In addition, our business processes and information systems need to be sufficiently scalable to support the future growth of our business and may require modifications or upgrades that expose us to similar risks of damage or disruption. Any material disruption, malfunction or similar challenges with our business processes or information systems, or disruptions or challenges relating to the transition to new processes, systems or providers, could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition, results of operations and cash flows. Moreover, remote and hybrid working arrangements at our company (and at many third-party providers) also increase cybersecurity risks due to the challenges associated with managing remote computing assets and security vulnerabilities that are present in many non-corporate and home networks. There can be no assurance that our cybersecurity risk management program and processes, including our policies, controls, or procedures, will be fully implemented, complied with or effective in protecting our information technology systems and confidential information.

**We may lose key executives and other key employees, including on-air talent, to competing stations or other types of media competitors.**

Our business depends upon the continued efforts, abilities and expertise of our executive officers and other key employees. The unique combination of skills and experience possessed by our key executives would be difficult to replace, and the loss of a key executive could impair our ability to execute our operating and acquisition strategies.

In addition, we compete for creative and performing on-air talent with other stations and radio station groups, radio networks, and other providers of syndicated content and other media such as broadcast television, digital, satellite and cable television, video streaming services, the internet, podcast producers and satellite radio. Our ability to attract and retain key personnel is an important aspect of our competitiveness. Our employees and other on-air talent are subject to change and may be lost to competitors or for other reasons. Any adverse changes in particular programs, formats or on-air talent could have a material adverse effect on our ratings and our ability to attract advertisers, which would negatively impact our business, financial condition or results of operations.

**Our success depends on our ability to identify, consummate and integrate acquired stations.**

As part of our strategy, we have pursued, and may continue to pursue, acquisitions of additional stations. Radio broadcasting is a rapidly consolidating industry with many companies seeking to consummate acquisitions and increase their market share. In this environment, we compete with many other buyers for the acquisition of stations. Some of those competitors may be able to outbid us for acquisitions because they have greater financial resources. FCC ownership rules limit the number of stations that an entity can own in specific local markets, and in certain markets, we do not have room to acquire additional stations in the FM service or in both the AM and FM services. As a result, our ability to identify and consummate future acquisitions is uncertain.

In addition, our consummation of all future acquisitions is subject to various conditions, including FCC and other regulatory approvals. The FCC must approve any transfer of control or assignment of broadcast licenses. In addition, acquisitions may encounter intense scrutiny under federal and state antitrust laws. Any delays, injunctions, conditions or modifications by any government agencies could have a negative effect on us and result in the abandonment of all or part of attractive acquisition opportunities.

Our success also depends on our ability to integrate acquired businesses and achieve fully the strategic and financial objectives related thereto. The process of integrating acquired stations may involve numerous risks, including:

- integrating two unique business cultures, which may prove to be incompatible;
- consolidating corporate and administrative infrastructures and eliminating duplicative operations;
- the diversion of management's attention from ongoing business concerns;
- unanticipated issues in integrating information technology, communications and other systems;
- costs or inefficiencies associated with integrating the operations of the combined company; and
- unforeseen expenses, liabilities or delays.

We cannot predict whether we will be successful in identifying future acquisition opportunities or what the consequences will be of any acquisitions. The failure to identify, consummate and integrate acquired stations could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

**The Beasley family controls Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc. and members of the Beasley family own a substantial equity interest in Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc. Their interests may conflict with yours.**

The Beasley family, which includes Caroline Beasley, our Chief Executive Officer and a member of our board of directors, Bruce Beasley, our President and a member of our board of directors, and Brian Beasley, our Chief Operating Officer and a member of our board of directors, is generally able to control the vote on all matters submitted to a vote of stockholders. Without the approval of the Beasley family, we will be unable to consummate transactions involving an actual or potential change in control, including transactions in which you might otherwise receive a premium for your shares over then current market prices. Shares of Class B and Class A common stock that members of the Beasley family beneficially own represent 94% of the total voting power of all classes of our common stock. The Beasley family will be able to direct our management and policies, except with respect to those matters requiring a class vote under the provisions of our amended certificate of incorporation, fourth amended and restated bylaws or applicable law.

Historically, we have entered into certain transactions with members of the Beasley family and affiliated entities that may conflict with the interests of our stockholders now or in the future. See “Item 7 – Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operation – Related Party Transactions” and Note 17 to the accompanying financial statements.

**Future sales by the Beasley family of our Class A common stock could adversely affect its market price.**

Members of the Beasley family beneficially own the majority of all outstanding shares of Class B common stock, which is convertible to Class A common stock on a one-for-one basis. The market for our Class A common stock could change substantially if members of the Beasley family convert their shares of Class B common stock to shares of Class A common stock and then sell large amounts of shares of Class A common stock in the public market.

These sales, or the possibility that these sales may occur, could make it more difficult for us to raise capital by selling equity or equity-related securities in the future.

**The difficulties associated with any attempt to gain control of our Company may adversely affect the price of our Class A common stock.**

Due to their large beneficial ownership of our Class B and Class A common stock, members of the Beasley family control the decision whether any change of control of the Company will occur. Moreover, some provisions of our amended certificate of incorporation, fourth amended and restated bylaws and Delaware law could make it more difficult for a third party to acquire control of us, even if a change of control could be beneficial to you. In addition, the Communications Act and FCC rules and policies limit the number of stations that one individual or entity can own, directly or by attribution, in a market. The FCC’s media ownership rules remain in flux and subject to further agency and court proceedings. The FCC is required to review its media ownership rules quadrennially and determine if the rules remain necessary in the public interest as a result of competition. FCC approval for transfers of control of FCC licensees and assignments of FCC licenses are also required. Because of the limitations and restrictions imposed on us by these provisions and regulations, the trading price of our Class A common stock may be adversely affected.

**There may not be an active market for our Class A common stock, making it difficult for you to sell your stock.**

Our stock may not be actively traded in the future. An illiquid market for our stock may result in price volatility and poor execution of buy and sell orders for investors. Our stock price and trading volume have fluctuated widely for a number of reasons, including some reasons that may be unrelated to our business or results of operations. This market volatility could depress the price of our Class A common stock without regard to our operating performance. In addition, our operating results may be below expectations of public market analysts and investors. If this were to occur, the market price of our Class A common stock could decrease, perhaps significantly.

**ITEM 1B. UNRESOLVED STAFF COMMENTS**

None.

**ITEM 1C. CYBERSECURITY**

**Cybersecurity Risk Management and Strategy**

We have developed and implemented a cybersecurity risk management program intended to protect the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of our critical systems and information. Our cybersecurity risk management program includes a cybersecurity incident response plan.

We design and assess our program based on the National Institute of Standards and Technology Cybersecurity Framework ("NIST CSF"). This does not imply that we meet any particular technical standards, specifications, or requirements, only that we use the NIST CSF as a guide to help us identify, assess, and manage cybersecurity risks relevant to our business.

Our cybersecurity risk management program is integrated into our overall enterprise risk management program, and shares common methodologies, reporting channels and governance processes that apply across the enterprise risk management program to other legal, compliance, strategic, operational, and financial risk areas.

Our cybersecurity risk management program includes:

- risk assessments designed to help identify material cybersecurity risks to our critical systems, information, products, services, and our broader enterprise IT environment;
- a security team principally responsible for managing (1) our cybersecurity risk assessment processes, (2) our security controls, and (3) our response to cybersecurity incidents;
- the use of external service providers, where appropriate, to assess, test or otherwise assist with aspects of our security controls;
- cybersecurity awareness training of our employees, incident response personnel, and senior management;
- a cybersecurity incident response plan that includes procedures for responding to cybersecurity incidents; and
- a third-party risk management process for service providers, suppliers, and vendors.

We have not identified risks from known cybersecurity threats, including as a result of any prior cybersecurity incidents, that have materially affected or are reasonably likely to materially affect us, including our operations, business strategy, results of operations, or financial condition.

### **Cybersecurity Governance**

Our Board considers cybersecurity risk as part of its risk oversight function and has delegated to the Audit Committee ("Committee") oversight of cybersecurity and other information technology risks. The Committee oversees management's implementation of our cybersecurity risk management program.

The Committee receives periodic reports from management on our cybersecurity risks. In addition, management updates the Committee, as necessary, regarding any material cybersecurity incidents, as well as any incidents with lesser impact potential.

The Committee reports to the full Board regarding its activities, including those related to cybersecurity. The full Board also receives briefings from management on our cyber risk management program. Board members receive presentations on cybersecurity topics from the Chief Technology Officer and internal security staff as part of the Board's continuing education on topics that impact public companies.

Our management team, including the Chief Technology Officer, General Counsel and the Senior Vice President of Information Technology & Security, is responsible for assessing and managing our material risks from cybersecurity threats. The team has primary responsibility for our overall cybersecurity risk management program and supervises both our internal cybersecurity personnel and our retained external cybersecurity consultants. Our management team's experience includes 17 years as a Chief Technology Officer, a General Counsel with 10 years of cybersecurity oversight responsibilities, and a Senior Vice President of Information Technology & Security with 19 years of experience in information technology.

Our management team supervises efforts to prevent, detect, mitigate, and remediate cybersecurity risks and incidents through various means, which may include briefings from internal security personnel; threat intelligence and other information obtained from governmental, public or private sources, including external consultants engaged by us; and alerts and reports produced by security tools deployed in the IT environment.

**ITEM 2. PROPERTIES**

As of February 6, 2024, we own or lease property in the following locations:

Location	Description	Owned/Leased
Atlanta, GA	Office space for stations	Third-party lease
Augusta, GA	Office space for stations	Owned
	Land for office space	Related party lease
Boston, MA	Office space for stations	Third-party lease
Camden, NJ	Office space for station	Owned
Charlotte, NC	Office space for stations	Third-party lease
Detroit, MI	Office space for stations	Owned
Estero, FL	Office space for stations	Related party lease
Fayetteville, NC	Office space for stations	Related party lease
Las Vegas, NV	Office space for stations	Related party lease
Middlesex, NJ	Office space for stations	Owned
Monmouth, NJ	Office space for stations	Owned
Morristown, NJ	Office space for stations	Owned
Philadelphia, PA	Office space for stations	Third-party lease
Tampa, FL	Office space for stations	Third-party lease

The land for office space in Augusta, GA is leased from GGB Augusta, LLC, which is held by a trust for the benefit of Caroline Beasley, our Chief Executive Officer and a member of our board of directors, Bruce Beasley, our President and a member of our board of directors, Brian Beasley, our Chief Operating Officer and a member of our board of directors, and other members of the Beasley family.

The office space in Estero, FL is leased from Beasley Family Properties, LLC, which is held by a trust for the benefit of Caroline Beasley, Bruce G. Beasley, Brian E. Beasley and other members of the Beasley family.

The office space in Fayetteville, NC is leased from Beasley Family Towers, LLC, which is partially held by a trust for the benefit of Caroline Beasley, Bruce G. Beasley, Brian E. Beasley and other members of the Beasley family and partially owned directly by Caroline Beasley, Bruce G. Beasley, Brian E. Beasley and other members of the Beasley family.

The office space in Las Vegas, NV is leased from GGB Las Vegas, LLC, which is controlled by members of the Beasley family.

In addition, we lease our principal executive offices in Naples, FL from Beasley Broadcasting Management, LLC, which is held by a trust for the benefit of Caroline Beasley, Bruce G. Beasley, Brian E. Beasley and other family members of the Beasley family.

No one property is material to us. We believe that our properties are generally in good condition and suitable for our operations. However, we continually look for opportunities to upgrade our properties and may do so in the future.

**ITEM 3. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS**

We currently and from time to time are involved in ordinary routine litigation incidental to the conduct of our business including indecency claims and related proceedings at the FCC, but we are not a party to any lawsuit or other proceedings that, in the opinion of management, is likely to have a material adverse effect on our financial condition or results of operations.

**ITEM 4. MINE SAFETY DISCLOSURES**

Not applicable.

## PART II

### ITEM 5. MARKET FOR REGISTRANT'S COMMON EQUITY, RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS AND ISSUER PURCHASES OF EQUITY SECURITIES

#### Market Information

We have two authorized and outstanding classes of equity securities: Class A common stock, \$.001 par value per share, and Class B common stock, \$.001 par value per share. The only difference between the Class A and Class B common stock is that Class A is entitled to one vote per share and Class B is entitled to ten votes per share. Class B is convertible into Class A shares on a one-for-one share basis under certain circumstances. Our Class A common stock trades on the NASDAQ Global Market under the symbol "BBGI." There is no established public trading market for our Class B common stock.

#### Holders

As of February 6, 2024, there were approximately 139 holders of record of our Class A common stock and 24 holders of record of our Class B common stock. The number of holders of Class A common stock does not count separately the number of beneficial holders whose shares are held of record by a broker or clearing agency.

#### Dividends

Our board of directors has suspended future quarterly dividend payments until it is determined that resumption of dividend payments is in the best interest of the Company's stockholders. In addition, the Indenture governing our Notes limits our ability to pay dividends.

#### Repurchases of Equity Securities

The following table presents information with respect to purchases we made of our Class A common stock during the three months ended December 31, 2023.

Period	Total Number of Shares Purchased	Average Price Paid per Share	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Program	Approximate Dollar Value That May Yet Be Purchased Under the Program
October 1 – 31, 2023	—	—	—	\$ —
November 1 – 30, 2023	—	—	—	—
December 1 – 31, 2023	15,601	\$ 0.90	—	—
Total	<u>15,601</u>			

On March 27, 2007, our board of directors approved the Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc. 2007 Equity Incentive Award Plan (the "2007 Plan"). The original ten-year term of the 2007 Plan ended on March 27, 2017. Our stockholders approved an amendment to the 2007 Plan at the Annual Meeting of Stockholders on June 8, 2017 to, among other things, extend the term of the 2007 Plan until March 27, 2027. The 2007 Plan permits us to purchase sufficient shares to fund withholding taxes in connection with the vesting of restricted stock units. All shares purchased during the three months ended December 31, 2023 were purchased to fund withholding taxes in connection with the vesting of restricted stock units.

## ITEM 7. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

### Overview

We are a multi-platform media company whose primary business is operating radio stations throughout the United States. We offer local and national advertisers integrated marketing solutions across audio, digital and event platforms. We own and operate stations in the following markets: Atlanta, GA, Augusta, GA, Boston, MA, Charlotte, NC, Detroit, MI, Fayetteville, NC, Fort Myers-Naples, FL, Las Vegas, NV, Middlesex, NJ, Monmouth, NJ, Morristown, NJ, Philadelphia, PA, and Tampa-Saint Petersburg, FL. We refer to each group of stations in each market as a market cluster. Unless the context otherwise requires, all references in this report to the "Company," "we," "us" or "our" are to Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc. and its subsidiaries.

### Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements

This report contains "forward-looking statements" about the Company within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, which relate to future, not past, events. All statements other than statements of historical fact included in this document are forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements are based on the current beliefs and expectations of the Company's management and are subject to known and unknown risks and uncertainties. Forward-looking statements, which address the Company's expected business and financial performance and financial condition, among other matters, contain words such as: "expects," "anticipates," "intends," "plans," "believes," "estimates," "may," "will," "plans," "projects," "could," "should," "would," "seek," "forecast," or other similar expressions.

Forward-looking statements, by their nature, address matters that are, to different degrees, uncertain. Although the Company believes the expectations reflected in such forward-looking statements are based upon reasonable assumptions, it can give no assurance that the expectations will be attained or that any deviation will not be material. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date on which they are made. The Company undertakes no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements.

Forward-looking statements involve a number of risks and uncertainties, and actual results or events may differ materially from those projected or implied in those statements. Factors that could cause actual results or events to differ materially from these forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to:

- the Company's ability to comply with the continued listing standards of the Nasdaq Global Market;
- risks from social and natural catastrophic events;
- external economic forces and conditions that could have a material adverse impact on the Company's advertising revenues and results of operations;
- the ability of the Company's stations to compete effectively in their respective markets for advertising revenues;
- the ability of the Company to develop compelling and differentiated digital content, products and services;
- audience acceptance of the Company's content, particularly its audio programs;
- the ability of the Company to respond to changes in technology, standards and services that affect the audio industry;
- the Company's dependence on federally issued licenses subject to extensive federal regulation;
- actions by the FCC or new legislation affecting the audio industry;
- increases to royalties the Company pays to copyright owners or the adoption of legislation requiring royalties to be paid to record labels and recording artists;
- the Company's dependence on selected market clusters of stations for a material portion of its net revenue;
- credit risk on the Company's accounts receivable;
- the risk that the Company's FCC licenses and/or goodwill could become impaired;



- the Company's substantial debt levels and the potential effect of restrictive debt covenants on the Company's operational flexibility and ability to pay dividends;
- the potential effects of hurricanes on the Company's corporate offices and stations;
- the failure or destruction of the internet, satellite systems and transmitter facilities that the Company depends upon to distribute its programming;
- disruptions or security breaches of the Company's information technology infrastructure and information systems;
- the loss of key personnel;
- the Company's ability to integrate acquired businesses and achieve fully the strategic and financial objectives related thereto and their impact on the Company's financial condition and results of operations;
- the fact that the Company is controlled by the Beasley family, which creates difficulties for any attempt to gain control of the Company; and
- other economic, business, competitive, and regulatory factors affecting the businesses of the Company, including those set forth in the Company's filings with the SEC.

Although we believe the expectations reflected in any of our forward-looking statements are reasonable, actual results could differ materially from those projected or assumed in any of our forward-looking statements. We do not intend, and undertake no obligation, to update any forward-looking statement.

### Financial Statement Presentation

The following discussion provides a brief description of certain key items that appear in our financial statements and general factors that impact these items.

*Net Revenue.* Our net revenue is primarily derived from the sale of commercial spots to advertisers directly or through national, regional or local advertising agencies. Revenues are reported at the amount we expect to be entitled to receive under the contract. Local revenue generally consists of commercial advertising sales, digital advertising sales and other sales to advertisers in a station's local market, either directly to the advertiser or through the advertiser's agency. National revenue generally consists of commercial advertising sales through advertiser agencies. National advertiser agencies generally purchase advertising for multiple markets. National sales are generally facilitated by our national representation firm, which serves as our agent in these transactions.

Our net revenue is generally determined by the advertising rates that we are able to charge and the number of advertisements that we can broadcast without jeopardizing listener levels. Advertising rates are primarily based on the following factors:

- a station's audience share in the demographic groups targeted by advertisers as measured principally by periodic reports issued by Nielsen Audio;
- the number of stations, as well as other forms of media, in the market competing for the attention of the same demographic groups;
- the supply of, and demand for, radio advertising time; and
- the size of the market.

Our net revenue is affected by general economic conditions, competition and our ability to improve operations at our radio market clusters. Seasonal revenue fluctuations are also common in the radio broadcasting industry and are primarily due to variations in advertising expenditures by local and national advertisers. Our revenues typically are lowest in the first calendar quarter of the year. In addition, our revenues tend to fluctuate between years, consistent with, among other things, increased advertising expenditures in even-numbered years by political candidates, political parties and special interest groups. This political spending typically is heaviest during the fourth quarter of such years.

We use trade sales agreements to reduce cash paid for operating costs and expenses by exchanging advertising airtime for goods or services; however, we endeavor to minimize trade revenue in order to maximize cash revenue from our available airtime.

We also continue to invest in digital support services to develop and promote our station websites, applications, and other distribution platforms. We derive revenue from our websites through the sale of advertiser promotions and advertising on our websites and the sale of advertising airtime during audio streaming of our stations over the internet. We also generate revenue from selling third-party digital products and services.

*Operating Expenses.* Our operating expenses consist primarily of programming, engineering, sales, advertising and promotion, and general and administrative expenses incurred at our stations. We strive to control our operating expenses by centralizing certain functions at our corporate offices and consolidating certain functions in each of our market clusters.

### Critical Accounting Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires us to make estimates and assumptions that affect reported amounts and related disclosures. We consider an accounting estimate to be critical if:

- it involves a significant level of estimation uncertainty; and
- changes in the estimate or different estimates that could have been selected have had or are reasonably likely to have a material impact on our results of operations or financial condition.

*Accounts Receivable.* We continually evaluate our ability to collect our accounts receivable. We determine the allowance for credit losses based on historical information, relative improvements or deteriorations in the age of the accounts receivable and changes in current economic conditions and reasonable and supportable forecasts of future economic conditions. This ongoing evaluation requires management judgment, and if we had made different assumptions about these factors, the allowance for credit losses could have been materially different.

*Property and Equipment.* We are required to assess the recoverability of our property and equipment whenever an event has occurred that may result in an impairment loss. If such an event occurs, we will compare estimates of related future undiscounted cash flows to the carrying amount of the asset. If the future undiscounted cash flow estimates are less than the carrying amount of the asset, we will reduce the carrying amount to the estimated fair value. The determination of when an event has occurred and estimates of future cash flows and fair value all require management judgment. The use of different assumptions or estimates may result in alternative assessments that could be materially different. We did not identify any triggering events that may have resulted in an impairment loss on our property and equipment in 2023. However, there can be no assurance that impairments of our property and equipment will not occur in future periods.

*FCC Licenses.* As of December 31, 2023, FCC licenses with an aggregate carrying amount of \$393.0 million represented 68% of our total assets. We are required to test our FCC licenses for impairment on an annual basis, or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate that our FCC licenses might be impaired. We assess qualitative factors to determine whether it is more likely than not that our FCC licenses might be impaired. If we determine it is more likely than not that our FCC licenses are impaired, then we are required to perform a quantitative impairment test. In 2023, we performed the quantitative impairment test for our FCC licenses in all markets. The quantitative impairment test compares the fair value of our FCC licenses with their carrying amounts. If the carrying amounts of the FCC licenses exceed their fair value, an impairment loss is recognized in an amount equal to that excess. For the purpose of testing our FCC licenses for impairment, we combine our FCC licenses into reporting units based on our market clusters.

Due to an increase in interest rates in the U.S. economy and a decrease in projected revenues, we tested our FCC licenses for impairment during the third quarter of 2023. As a result of the quantitative impairment test performed as of September 30, 2023, we recorded impairment losses of \$78.2 million related to the FCC licenses in each of our market clusters. The impairment losses were primarily due to an increase in the discount rate due to certain risks associated with the U.S. economy and a decrease in the projected revenues in each market cluster used in the discounted cash flow analyses to estimate the fair value of our FCC licenses.

The fair values of the FCC licenses in each of our market clusters were estimated using an income approach. The income approach is based upon discounted cash flow analyses incorporating variables such as projected audio market revenues, projected growth rate for audio market revenues, projected audio market revenue shares, projected audio station operating income margins, and a discount rate appropriate for the audio industry. The key assumptions used in the discounted cash flow analyses are as follows:

Revenue growth rates	(1.2)% - 1.8%
Market revenue shares at maturity	0.4% - 44.7%
Operating income margins at maturity	19.7% - 30.4%
Discount rate	10.0%

We performed the annual quantitative impairment test for our FCC licenses in all markets during the fourth quarter of 2023. As a result of the quantitative impairment test performed as of November 30, 2023, we recorded impairment losses of \$1.0 million related to the FCC licenses in our Augusta, GA, Fort Myers-Naples, FL, and Middlesex-Monmouth-Morristown, NJ market clusters. The impairment losses were primarily due to a decrease in projected revenue in these markets. The fair values of our FCC licenses were estimated using an income approach. The key assumptions used in the discounted cash flow analyses are as follows:

Revenue growth rates	(16.5)% - 24.4%
Market revenue shares at maturity	0.4% - 45.5%
Operating income margins at maturity	19.7% - 29.9%
Discount rate	10.0%

The carrying amount of our FCC licenses for each reporting unit and the percentage by which fair value exceeded the carrying amount are as follows:

Market cluster	FCC licenses	Excess
Atlanta, GA	\$ 440,300	0.1%
Augusta, GA	4,776,100	—
Boston, MA	95,901,400	0.7
Charlotte, NC	44,495,600	1.9
Detroit, MI	25,205,800	5.8
Fayetteville, NC	7,295,100	2.7
Fort Myers-Naples, FL	5,191,700	—
Las Vegas, NV	30,145,300	2.3
Middlesex, Monmouth, Morristown, NJ	16,726,200	—
Philadelphia, PA	106,737,400	0.9
Tampa-Saint Petersburg, FL	56,092,000	0.6

**Goodwill.** As of December 31, 2023, goodwill with an aggregate carrying amount of \$0.9 million represented 0.2% of our total assets. We are required to test our goodwill for impairment on an annual basis, or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate that our goodwill might be impaired. We assess qualitative factors to determine whether it is necessary to perform a quantitative assessment for each reporting unit. If the quantitative assessment is necessary, we will determine the fair value of each reporting unit. If the fair value of any reporting unit is less than the carrying amount, we will recognize an impairment charge for the amount by which the carrying amount exceeds the reporting unit's fair value. The loss recognized will not exceed the total amount of goodwill allocated to the reporting unit. For the purpose of testing our goodwill for impairment, we have identified our market clusters as our reporting units.

Due to an increase in interest rates in the U.S. economy and a decrease in projected revenues, we tested our goodwill for impairment during the third quarter of 2023. As a result of the quantitative impairment test performed as of September 30, 2023, we recorded an impairment loss of \$10.6 million related to the goodwill in our Philadelphia, PA market cluster. The impairment loss was primarily due to an increase in the discount rate due to certain risks associated with the U.S. economy and a decrease in the projected revenues used in the discounted cash flow analysis to estimate the fair value of our goodwill.

The fair value of the goodwill in our Philadelphia, PA market cluster was estimated using an income approach. The income approach is based upon discounted cash flow analyses incorporating variables such as projected audio market revenues, projected growth rate for audio market revenues, projected audio market revenue shares, projected audio station operating income margins, and a discount rate appropriate for the audio industry. The key assumptions used in the discounted cash flow analyses are as follows:

Revenue growth rates	(9.3)% - 1.4%
Operating income margins	27.9%
Discount rate	10.0%

We believe we have made reasonable estimates and assumptions to calculate the estimated fair value of our FCC licenses and goodwill, however, these estimates and assumptions are highly judgmental in nature. Actual results can be materially different from estimates and assumptions. If actual market conditions are less favorable than those projected by the industry or by us, or if events occur or circumstances change that would reduce the estimated fair value of our indefinite-lived intangible assets below the amounts reflected on our balance sheets, we may recognize future impairment charges, the amount of which may be material. For example, as of November 30, 2023, if the discount rate used in our discounted cash flow analyses was increased to 10.5% without any additional changes to the other assumptions used in the discounted cash flow analyses, we would have recorded additional impairment losses of \$20.4 million related to the FCC licenses in each of our market clusters.

**Leases.** We are required to determine whether a contract is or contains a lease at inception. Our analysis includes whether the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration. This consideration involves judgment with respect to whether we have the right to obtain substantially all of the economic benefits from the use of the identified asset and whether we have the right to direct the use of the identified asset. We calculate the term for each lease agreement to include the noncancellable period specified in the agreement together with: (1) the periods covered by options to extend the lease if we are reasonably certain to exercise that option, (2) the periods covered by an option to terminate if we are reasonably certain not to exercise that option and (3) the period covered by an option to extend (or not terminate) if controlled by the lessor. The assessment of whether we are reasonably certain to exercise an option to extend a lease requires significant judgement surrounding contract-based factors, asset-based factors, entity-based factors and market-based factors. These factors are evaluated based on the facts and circumstances at the time we enter a lease agreement. The lease liabilities and the related right-of-use assets are calculated based on the present value of the lease payments using (1) the rate implicit in the lease or (2) the lessee's incremental borrowing rate ("IBR"). IBR is defined as the rate of interest that a lessee would have to pay to borrow on a collateralized basis over a similar term an amount equal to the lease payments in a similar economic environment. See Note 10 to the accompanying financial statements.

**Supplemental Employee Retirement Plan.** The costs and liabilities of the Supplemental Employee Retirement Plan ("SERP") are determined using actuarial valuations. An actuarial valuation involves making various assumptions that include the discount rate and mortality rates. The discount rate is based on matching the cash flows of the SERP to the FTSE Pension Discount Curve. The mortality assumptions are based on the mortality tables and mortality improvement scales which are selected based on the most recent study of the Society of Actuaries. The SERP is frozen so future employment does not change the benefit amounts. Actual results will differ from results which are estimated based on assumptions. See Note 11 to the accompanying financial statements.

## Recent Accounting Pronouncements

Recent accounting pronouncements are described in Note 2 to the accompanying financial statements.

## Results of Operations

### Year Ended December 31, 2023 Compared to the Year Ended December 31, 2022

The following summary table presents a comparison of our results of operations for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2023, with respect to certain of our key financial measures. The changes illustrated in the table are discussed in greater detail below. This section should be read in conjunction with the financial statements and notes to financial statements included in Item 8 of this report.

#### Results of Operations - Consolidated

	Year Ended December 31,		Change	
	2022	2023	\$	%
Net revenue	\$ 256,381,018	\$ 247,109,258	\$ (9,271,760)	-3.6%
Operating expenses	213,236,063	208,247,221	(4,988,842)	-2.3%
Corporate expenses	18,001,359	18,246,731	245,372	1.4%
FCC licenses impairment losses	23,799,383	89,214,665	65,415,282	274.9%
Goodwill impairment losses	16,253,087	10,582,360	(5,670,727)	-34.9%
Other impairment losses	12,822,000	—	(12,822,000)	-100.0%
Gain on exchange	3,350,539	—	(3,350,539)	-100.0%
Extinguishment of franchise fee	—	6,000,000	6,000,000	—
Gain on repurchases of long-term debt	1,131,346	7,807,875	6,676,529	590.1%
Income tax benefit	17,787,434	24,287,366	6,499,932	36.5%
Net loss	42,057,430	75,120,138	33,062,708	78.6%

#### Results of Operations - Segments

	Year Ended December 31,		Change	
	2022	2023	\$	%
Net revenue				
Audio	\$ 213,036,307	\$ 199,481,868	\$ (13,554,439)	-6.4 %
Digital	40,755,164	45,417,296	4,662,132	11.4 %
Other	2,589,547	2,210,094	(379,453)	-14.7 %
	<u>\$ 256,381,018</u>	<u>\$ 247,109,258</u>	<u>\$ (9,271,760)</u>	-3.6 %
Operating expenses				
Audio	\$ 173,011,492	\$ 163,608,414	\$ (9,403,078)	-5.4 %
Digital	36,398,687	40,844,592	4,445,905	12.2 %
Other	3,825,884	3,794,215	(31,669)	-0.8 %
	<u>\$ 213,236,063</u>	<u>\$ 208,247,221</u>	<u>\$ (4,988,842)</u>	-2.3 %

**Net Revenue.** Net revenue decreased \$9.3 million during the year ended December 31, 2023 as compared to the year ended December 31, 2022. Audio revenue decreased \$13.6 million during the year ended December 31, 2023 as compared to the year ended December 31, 2022, primarily due to a decrease in agency revenue including political advertising. Digital revenue increased \$4.7 million during the year ended December 31, 2023 as compared to the year ended December 31, 2022, primarily due to continued growth in the digital segment.

**Operating Expenses.** Operating expenses decreased \$5.0 million during the year ended December 31, 2023 as compared to the year ended December 31, 2022. Audio operating expenses decreased \$9.4 million during the year ended December 31, 2023 as compared to the year ended December 31, 2022, primarily due to continued expense management in the audio segment. Digital operating expenses increased \$4.4 million during the year ended December 31, 2023 as compared to the year ended December 31, 2022, primarily due to continued investment in the digital segment.

**Corporate Expenses.** Corporate expenses during the year ended December 31, 2023 were comparable to the year ended December 31, 2022.

**FCC Licenses Impairment Losses.** As a result of our annual quantitative impairment test performed during the fourth quarter of 2023, we recorded impairment losses of \$1.0 million related to the FCC licenses in our Augusta, GA, Fort Myers-Naples, FL, and Middlesex-Monmouth-Morristown, NJ market clusters. The impairment losses were primarily due to a decrease in projected revenue in these markets. Due to an increase in interest rates in the U.S. economy and a decrease in projected revenues, we tested our FCC licenses for impairment during the third quarter of 2023. As a result of the quantitative impairment test, we recorded impairment losses of \$78.2 million related to the FCC licenses in each of our market clusters. The impairment losses were primarily due to an increase in the discount rate due to certain risks associated with the U.S. economy and a decrease in the projected revenues in each market cluster used in the discounted cash flow analyses to estimate the fair value of FCC licenses. On August 11, 2023, we entered into an agreement to sell substantially all of the assets used in the operations of WJBR-FM in Wilmington, DE to a third party for \$5.0 million in cash. As a result of entering into the agreement, we recorded an impairment loss of \$10.0 million related to the FCC license during the second quarter of 2023.

As a result of our annual quantitative impairment test performed during the fourth quarter of 2022, we recorded impairment losses of \$19.2 million related to the FCC licenses in our Boston, MA, Charlotte, NC, Fort Myers-Naples, FL, Middlesex-Monmouth-Morristown, NJ, and Wilmington, DE market clusters. The impairment losses were primarily due to a decrease in projected revenue in these markets. Due to an increase in interest rates in the U.S. economy, we tested our FCC licenses for impairment during the second quarter of 2022. As a result of the quantitative impairment tests, we recorded impairment losses of \$2.8 million related to the FCC licenses in our Fort Myers-Naples, FL, Las Vegas, NV, and Wilmington, DE market clusters. The impairment losses were primarily due to an increase in the discount rate used in the discounted cash flow analyses to estimate the fair value of FCC licenses due to certain risks associated with the U.S. economy. On April 1, 2022, we completed the sale of substantially all of the assets used in the operations of WWNN-AM in West Palm Beach-Boca Raton, FL to a third party for \$1.25 million in cash. As a result of the sale, we recorded an impairment loss of \$1.9 million related to the FCC license during the first quarter of 2022.

**Goodwill Impairment Losses.** Due to an increase in interest rates in the U.S. economy and a decrease in projected revenues, we tested our goodwill for impairment during the third quarter of 2023. As a result of the quantitative impairment test, we recorded an impairment loss of \$10.6 million related to the goodwill in our Philadelphia, PA market cluster. The impairment loss was primarily due to an increase in the discount rate due to certain risks associated with the U.S. economy and a decrease in the projected revenues in each market cluster used in the discounted cash flow analysis to estimate the fair value of goodwill.

As a result of our annual quantitative impairment test performed during the fourth quarter of 2022, we recorded an impairment loss of \$8.9 million related to the goodwill in our Boston, MA market cluster and an impairment loss of \$1.5 million related to

goodwill in the esports segment. The impairment losses were primarily due to a decrease in projected revenue in the Boston, MA market and the esports segment. Due to an increase in interest rates in the U.S. economy, we tested our goodwill for impairment during the second quarter of 2022. As a result of the quantitative impairment test, we recorded impairment losses of \$5.9 million related to the goodwill in our Boston, MA, Charlotte, NC, Fayetteville, NC, Fort Myers-Naples, FL, and Tampa-Saint Petersburg, FL market clusters. The impairment losses were primarily due to an increase in the discount rate used in the discounted cash flow analyses to estimate the fair value of goodwill due to certain risks associated with the U.S. economy.

*Other Impairment Losses.* We also performed a quantitative impairment test for our franchise rights in the esports segment during the fourth quarter of 2022. As a result of the test, we recorded an impairment loss of \$12.8 million primarily due to a decrease in projected revenue in the esports segment.

*Gain on Exchange.* On December 22, 2022, we completed an asset exchange with Audacy Nevada, LLC, pursuant to which we agreed to exchange all of the assets used or useful in the operations of KDWN-AM in Las Vegas, NV for all of the assets used or useful in the operations of KXTE-FM in Las Vegas, NV. As a result of the exchange, we recorded a gain on exchange of \$3.4 million in 2022.

*Extinguishment of Franchise Fee.* Due to the termination of the esports league the remaining \$6.0 million franchise fee payable to the esports league was forgiven during the fourth quarter of 2023.

*Gain on Repurchases of Long-Term Debt.* In the fourth quarter of 2023, we purchased \$20.0 million aggregate principal amount of the Notes for an aggregate price equal to 65% of the principal amount and recorded an aggregate gain of \$6.8 million as a result of the purchases. In the second quarter of 2023, we purchased \$3.0 million principal amount of the Notes for a price equal to 66% of the principal amount and recorded a gain of \$1.0 million as a result of the purchase.

In the third quarter of 2022, we purchased \$5.0 million aggregate principal amount of the Notes for an aggregate price equal to 77% of the principal amount and recorded an aggregate gain of \$1.0 million as a result of the purchases. In the second quarter of 2022, we purchased \$5.0 million aggregate principal amount of the Notes for an aggregate price equal to 96% of the principal amount and recorded an aggregate gain of \$0.1 million as a result of the purchases.

*Income Tax Benefit.* Our effective tax rate was approximately (30)% and (24)% for the year ended December 31, 2022 and 2023, respectively. These rates differ from the federal statutory rate of 21% due to the effect of state income taxes, certain non-taxable income, and certain expenses that are not deductible for tax purposes.

*Net Loss.* Net loss for the year ended December 31, 2023 was \$75.1 million compared to a net loss of \$42.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2022, as a result of the factors described above.

## **Liquidity and Capital Resources**

*Overview.* Our primary sources of liquidity is internally generated cash flow and cash on hand. Our primary liquidity needs have been, and for the next twelve months and thereafter are expected to continue to be, for working capital, debt service, and other general corporate purposes, including capital expenditures and station acquisitions. Historically, our capital expenditures have not been significant. In addition to property and equipment associated with station acquisitions, our capital expenditures have generally been, and are expected to continue to be, related to the maintenance of our office and studio space, the maintenance of our towers and equipment, and digital products and information technology. We have also purchased or constructed office and studio space in some of our markets to facilitate the consolidation of our operations.

Our board of directors has suspended future quarterly dividend payments until it is determined that resumption of dividend payments is in the best interest of the Company's stockholders. In addition, as discussed in "Secured Notes" below, the Indenture governing our Notes limits our ability to pay dividends.

*Secured Notes.* On February 2, 2021, we issued \$300.0 million aggregate principal amount of 8.625% senior secured notes due on February 1, 2026 (the "Notes") under an indenture dated February 2, 2021 (the "Indenture"). Interest on the Notes accrues at the rate of 8.625% per annum and is payable semiannually in arrears on February 1 and August 1 of each year. The Notes are secured on a first-lien priority basis by substantially all assets of the Company and its majority owned subsidiaries and are guaranteed jointly and severally by the Company and its majority owned subsidiaries. We used the net proceeds from the Notes, to refinance in full our previously outstanding credit facility, to repay a previously outstanding promissory note and loan from George Beasley and to pay related accrued interest, fees and expenses. The Indenture contains restrictive covenants that limit the ability of the Company and its subsidiaries to, among other things, incur additional indebtedness, guarantee indebtedness or issue disqualified stock or, in the case of such subsidiaries, preferred stock; pay dividends on, repurchase or make distributions in respect of our capital stock or make other restricted payments; make certain investments or acquisitions; sell, transfer or otherwise convey certain assets; create liens; enter into agreements restricting certain subsidiaries' ability to pay dividends or make other intercompany transfers; consolidate, merge, sell or

otherwise dispose of all or substantially all of our assets; enter into transactions with affiliates; prepay certain kinds of indebtedness; and issue or sell stock of our subsidiaries.

In the fourth quarter of 2023, we repurchased \$20.0 million aggregate principal amount of the Notes for an aggregate price equal to 65% of the principal amount and recorded an aggregate gain of \$6.8 million as a result of the repurchases. In the second quarter of 2023, we repurchased \$3.0 million principal amount of the Notes for a price equal to 66% of the principal amount and recorded a gain of \$1.0 million as a result of the repurchase.

From time to time, we repurchase sufficient shares of our common stock to fund withholding taxes in connection with the vesting of restricted stock units. We paid approximately \$84,000 to repurchase 87,873 shares during the year ended December 31, 2023. From time to time, we may seek to repurchase, redeem or otherwise retire our Notes through cash purchases and/or exchanges for equity securities, in open market purchases, privately negotiated transactions, tender offers or otherwise. Such repurchases, redemptions or other transactions, if any, will depend on prevailing market conditions, our liquidity requirements, contractual restrictions, and other factors. The amounts involved may be material.

We expect to provide for future liquidity needs through one or a combination of the following sources of liquidity:

- internally generated cash flow;
- additional borrowings or notes offerings, to the extent permitted under the Indenture governing our Notes; and
- additional equity offerings.

We believe we will have sufficient liquidity and capital resources to permit us to provide for our liquidity requirements and meet our financial obligations for the next twelve months and thereafter. However, poor financial results or unanticipated expenses could give rise to default under the Notes, additional debt servicing requirements or other additional financing or liquidity requirements sooner than we expect, and we may not secure financing when needed or on acceptable terms.

*Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements.* We did not have any off-balance sheet arrangements as of December 31, 2023.

*Cash Flows.* The following summary table presents a comparison of our cash flows for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2023 with respect to certain of our key measures affecting our liquidity. The changes set forth in the table are discussed in greater detail below. This section should be read in conjunction with the financial statements and notes to financial statements included in Item 8 of this report.

	Year ended December 31,	
	2022	2023
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$ 11,147,084	\$ (4,678,549)
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	(14,177,688)	6,870,446
Net cash used in financing activities	(8,813,385)	(14,992,629)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	<u>\$ (11,843,989)</u>	<u>\$ (12,800,732)</u>

*Net Cash Provided By (Used In) Operating Activities.* Net cash used in operating activities was \$4.7 million during the year ended December 31, 2023, as compared to net cash provided by operating activities of \$11.1 million during the year ended December 31, 2022. Significant factors affecting the \$15.8 million decrease in net cash used in operating activities included a \$13.9 million increase in cash paid for operating expenses and a \$3.3 million decrease in cash receipts from revenue.

*Net Cash Provided By (Used In) Investing Activities.* Net cash provided by investing activities during the year ended December 31, 2023 included proceeds of \$11.1 million from two station dispositions and a termination payment from the esports league, partially offset by \$4.2 million for capital expenditures. Net cash used in investing activities for the year ended December 31, 2022 included payments of \$13.4 million for capital expenditures and a payment of \$2.0 million for the acquisition of Guarantee, partially offset by proceeds of \$1.2 million from a station disposition.

*Net Cash Used In Financing Activities.* Net cash used in financing activities during the year ended December 31, 2023 included Notes purchases of \$14.9 million. Net cash used in financing activities for the year ended December 31, 2022 included Notes purchases of \$8.7 million.

## Related Party Transactions



*Beasley Broadcasting Management, LLC*

We lease our principal executive offices in Naples, FL from Beasley Broadcasting Management, LLC, which is held by a trust for the benefit of Caroline Beasley, Bruce G. Beasley, Brian E. Beasley, and other members of the Beasley family. The lease agreement expires on December 31, 2031. Rental expense was \$0.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2023.

*Beasley Family Properties, LLC*

We lease office space for our stations in Fort Myers, FL from Beasley Family Properties, LLC, which is held by a trust for the benefit of Caroline Beasley, Bruce G. Beasley, Brian E. Beasley, and other members of the Beasley family. The lease agreement expires on August 31, 2024. Rental expense was \$0.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2023.

*Beasley Family Towers, LLC*

We leased towers for 19 stations in various markets from Beasley Family Towers, LLC ("BFT"), which is partially held by a trust for the benefit of Caroline Beasley, Bruce G. Beasley, Brian E. Beasley and other members of the Beasley family and partially owned directly by Caroline Beasley, Bruce G. Beasley, Brian E. Beasley and other members of the Beasley family. During the fourth quarter of 2023, BFT sold 18 of the towers to an unrelated third party. As a result, the leases are no longer considered related party transactions. The remaining lease agreement for the tower that is still owned by BFT expires on January 31, 2026. Rental expense was \$0.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2023.

We lease office space for our stations in Fayetteville, NC from BFT. The lease agreement expires on August 31, 2030. Rental expense was \$0.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2023.

*GGB Augusta, LLC*

We lease land for our stations in Augusta, GA from GGB Augusta, LLC, which is held by a trust for the benefit of Caroline Beasley, Bruce G. Beasley, Brian E. Beasley, and other members of the Beasley family. The lease agreement expires on October 31, 2028. Rental expense was approximately \$52,000 for the year ended December 31, 2023.

*GGB Las Vegas, LLC*

We lease office space for our stations in Las Vegas, NV from GGB Las Vegas, LLC, which is controlled by members of the Beasley family. The lease agreement expires on December 31, 2028. Rental expense was \$0.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2023.

*Wintersrun Communications, LLC*

We leased a tower for one station in Charlotte, NC from Wintersrun Communications, LLC ("Wintersrun"), which is partially held by a trust for the benefit of Caroline Beasley, Bruce G. Beasley, Brian E. Beasley and other members of the Beasley family and partially owned directly by Bruce G. Beasley and Brian E. Beasley. During the fourth quarter of 2023, Wintersrun sold the tower to an unrelated third party. As a result, the lease is no longer considered a related party transaction. Rental expense was \$0.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2023.

We lease a tower for one station in Augusta, GA from Wintersrun. The lease agreement expires on October 15, 2025. Rental expense was approximately \$31,000 for the year ended December 31, 2023.

*Quu, Inc.*

We currently hold an investment in Quu, Inc. ("Quu"), a company that provides us with access to an application for digital revenue. Payments to Quu for access to the application were \$0.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2023.

*Loan to Interactive Life, Inc.*

In May 2022, we provided a \$250,000 loan to Interactive Life, Inc. that accrues interest at 8.625% per annum with no cash payments due until the loan's maturity in May 2024. Interactive Life, Inc. is controlled by Mr. Joseph Harb. We currently hold an investment in Quu, Inc., a company that is controlled by Mr. Harb. Repayment of the loan to Interactive Life, Inc. is guaranteed by Mr. Harb with 3,333,334 shares of Class A common stock of Quu, Inc.



**Inflation**

For the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2023, inflation has affected our performance in terms of higher costs for operating expenses; however, the exact impact cannot be reasonably determined.

**ITEM 7A. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISKS**

Not required for smaller reporting companies.

ITEM 8. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY DATA

BEASLEY BROADCAST GROUP, INC.

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## Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

Shareholders and the Board of Directors of Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc.  
Naples, Florida

### Opinion on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc. (the "Company") as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, the related consolidated statements of comprehensive loss, stockholders' equity, and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes and consolidated financial statement schedule (collectively referred to as the "financial statements"). In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the years then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

### Basis for Opinion

These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's financial statements based on our audits. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) ("PCAOB") and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. The Company is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. As part of our audits we are required to obtain an understanding of internal control over financial reporting but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion.

Our audits included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

### Critical Audit Matter

The critical audit matter communicated below is a matter arising from the current period audit of the financial statements that was communicated or required to be communicated to the audit committee and that: (1) relates to accounts or disclosures that are material to the financial statements and (2) involved our especially challenging, subjective, or complex judgments. The communication of the critical audit matter does not alter in any way our opinion on the financial statements, taken as a whole, and we are not, by communicating the critical audit matter below, providing a separate opinion on the critical audit matter or on the accounts or disclosures to which it relates.

#### FCC Licenses Impairment Assessment – Radio Reporting Units

As disclosed in Note 5 to the consolidated financial statements, the Company's consolidated FCC licenses balance was \$393.0 million as of December 31, 2023. During the year ended December 31, 2023, the Company recorded impairment on FCC licenses of \$89.2 million. Management performs an annual impairment test during the fourth quarter of each year,



or more frequently when it is determined that events and circumstances indicate that it is more likely than not that FCC licenses are impaired, which includes a qualitative assessment. During 2023, management determined that it was more likely than not based on the qualitative assessment that FCC licenses were impaired and performed a quantitative assessment for all radio reporting units. FCC licenses are assessed for impairment at the market cluster level. Potential impairment is identified by comparing the fair value of a market's FCC licenses to its carrying value. Fair value is estimated by management using an income approach. Management's cash flow projections for its FCC licenses included significant judgments and assumptions relating to revenue growth rates, the market share at maturity and operating income margins at maturity of an average station within a market based upon market size, and station type and the discount rate.

We considered auditing the impairment of FCC licenses to be a critical audit matter because it involved a high degree of subjectivity in evaluating management's estimates, judgments, and assumptions, as well as significant audit effort due to complexity in the aggregation and evaluation of significant amounts of data and the use of valuation specialists.

Our audit procedures related to impairment of FCC licenses included the following:

- a. Evaluated management's judgments in their assessment of changes in market conditions or events, or other changes in circumstances that indicate an impairment of FCC licenses may be present.
- b. Tested the reliability, appropriateness of aggregation, and relevance of underlying data used in the valuation model.
- c. Evaluated the appropriateness of valuation model used and the application of certain assumptions in the valuation model, and recalculated the discounted cash flow schedules.
- d. Evaluated the significant assumptions used by management, including revenue growth rates, the market share at maturity and operating income margins at maturity of an average station within a market based upon market size and station type, and the discount rate. This involved evaluating whether the assumptions used by management were reasonable considering (i) the current and past performance in the market being evaluated, (ii) the consistency with external market and industry data, and (iii) whether these assumptions were consistent with evidence obtained in other areas of the audit.
- e. Utilized valuation specialists to assist in evaluating certain assumptions applied in the valuation model.

/s/ Crowe LLP

We have served as the Company's auditor since 2006.

Fort Lauderdale, Florida  
February 16, 2024

**BEASLEY BROADCAST GROUP, INC.  
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS**

	December 31, 2022	December 31, 2023
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 39,534,653	\$ 26,733,921
Accounts receivable, less allowance for credit losses of \$ 1,876,751 in 2022 and \$ 1,752,058 in 2023	56,683,526	53,424,196
Prepaid expenses	5,078,231	4,338,503
Other current assets	4,364,120	2,150,163
Total current assets	105,660,530	86,646,783
Property and equipment, net	55,807,047	51,474,754
Operating lease right-of-use assets	38,478,756	34,767,126
Finance lease right-of-use assets	306,667	—
FCC licenses	487,249,798	393,006,900
Goodwill	13,265,460	922,000
Other intangibles, net	8,219,939	2,722,408
Other assets	5,955,158	4,727,967
Total assets	\$ 714,943,355	\$ 574,267,938
<b>LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 19,344,621	\$ 14,299,048
Operating lease liabilities	8,166,394	8,082,981
Other current liabilities	29,183,630	25,913,827

Total current liabilities	56,694,645	48,295,856
Due to related parties	85,731	55,019
Long-term debt, net of unamortized debt issuance costs	285,472,107	264,203,010
Operating lease liabilities	37,485,602	33,440,246
Deferred tax liabilities	98,068,981	71,894,915
Other long-term liabilities	13,647,481	7,400,257
Total liabilities	491,454,547	425,289,303
Commitments and contingencies		
Stockholders' equity:		
Preferred stock, \$		
0.001		
par value;		
10,000,000		
shares authorized;		
none		
issued	—	—
Class A common stock, \$		
0.001		
par value;		
150,000,000		
shares authorized;		
16,763,227		
issued and		
13,113,659		
outstanding in 2022;		
17,391,382		
issued and		
13,653,941		
outstanding in 2023	16,761	17,389

Class B common stock, \$

0.001

par value;

75,000,000

shares authorized;

16,662,743

issued and outstanding in 2022 and 2023	16,662	16,662
Additional paid-in capital	151,948,310	152,794,353
Treasury stock, Class A common stock;		
3,649,568		
shares in 2022;	(	(
3,737,441		
shares	29,155,300	29,239,179
in 2023	)	)
Retained earnings	100,163,064	25,042,926
Accumulated other comprehensive income	499,311	346,484
Total stockholders' equity	223,488,808	148,978,635
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 714,943,355	\$ 574,267,938

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**BEASLEY BROADCAST GROUP, INC.**  
**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE LOSS**

	Year Ended December 31, 2022	Year Ended December 31, 2023
Net revenue	\$ 256,381,018	\$ 247,109,258
Operating expenses:		
Operating expenses (including stock-based compensation of \$		
193,738		
in 2022		
and \$		
66,382		
in 2023 and excluding depreciation and amortization	213,236,063	208,247,221
shown separately below)		
Corporate expenses (including stock-based compensation of \$		
865,165		
in 2022 and \$		
779,993	18,001,359	18,246,731
in 2023)		
Depreciation and amortization	9,920,546	8,809,343
FCC licenses impairment losses	23,799,383	89,214,665
Goodwill impairment losses	16,253,087	10,582,360
Other impairment losses	12,822,000	—
Gain on exchange	( 3,350,539 )	—
Extinguishment of franchise fee	—	( 6,000,000 )
Total operating expenses	290,681,899	329,100,320
Operating loss	( 34,300,881 )	( 81,991,062 )
Non-operating income (expense):		
Interest expense	( 26,914,045 )	( 26,607,920 )
Gain on repurchases of long-term debt	1,131,346	7,807,875
Other income, net	250,976	1,532,131
Loss before income taxes	( 59,832,604 )	( 99,258,976 )



	(	(
	17,787,434	24,287,366
Income tax benefit	)	)
	(	(
	42,045,170	74,971,610
Loss before equity in earnings of unconsolidated affiliates	)	)
	(	(
	12,260	148,528
Equity in earnings of unconsolidated affiliates, net of tax	)	)
	(	(
	42,057,430	75,120,138
Net loss	)	)
Other comprehensive gain (loss):		
Unrecognized actuarial gain (loss) on postretirement plan (net of income tax expense of \$		
542,438		
in 2022 and income tax benefit of \$		(
52,260	1,545,668	152,827
in 2023)		)
	(	(
	40,511,762	75,272,965
Comprehensive loss	<u>\$</u> )	<u>\$</u> )
Net loss per Class A and B common share:	(	(
	1.43	2.51
Basic and diluted	\$	\$
Weighted average shares outstanding:		
	29,473,989	29,893,722
Basic and diluted		

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**BEASLEY BROADCAST GROUP, INC.**  
**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY**

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Balances as of	17,391,382	17,389	16,662,743	16,662	152,794,353	3,737,441	29,239,179	25,042,926	346,484	148,978,635
December 31, 2023		\$		\$	\$	)	)	\$	\$	\$

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**BEASLEY BROADCAST GROUP, INC.**  
**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS**

	Year Ended December 31, 2022	Year Ended December 31, 2023
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net loss	(	(
	42,057,430	75,120,138
	\$ )	\$ )
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:		
Stock-based compensation	1,058,903	846,375
Provision for credit losses	1,108,840	1,642,545
Depreciation and amortization	9,920,546	8,809,343
FCC licenses impairment losses	23,799,383	89,214,665
Goodwill impairment losses	16,253,087	10,582,360
Other impairment losses	12,822,000	—
Gain on exchange	(	—
	3,350,539	—
	)	)
Extinguishment of franchise fee	—	(
	—	6,000,000
	—	)
Amortization of loan fees	1,491,061	1,447,528
Gain on repurchases of long-term debt	(	(
	1,131,346	7,807,875
	)	)
Deferred income taxes	(	(
	18,157,845	25,918,433
	)	)
Equity in earnings of unconsolidated affiliates	12,260	148,528
Change in operating assets and liabilities:		
Accounts receivable	(	(
	4,413,929	1,616,785
	)	)
Prepaid expenses	(	(
	1,034,175	739,728
	)	)
Other assets	(	(
	639,724	2,995,740
	)	)

Accounts payable		(
	12,349,540	5,045,573
		)
Other liabilities		(
	3,212,130	4,048,647
		)
Other operating activities	(	
	95,678	1,218,520
		)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities		(
	11,147,084	4,678,549
		)
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Payment for acquisition	(	
	2,000,000	—
		)
Capital expenditures	(	(
	13,363,000	4,189,554
		)
Proceeds from dispositions		
	1,185,312	11,060,000
		)
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	(	
	14,177,688	6,870,446
		)
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Repurchase of long-term debt	(	(
	8,677,500	14,908,750
		)
Reduction of finance lease liabilities	(	
	1,945	—
		)
Purchase of treasury stock	(	(
	133,940	83,879
		)
Net cash used in financing activities	(	(
	8,813,385	14,992,629
		)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(	(
	11,843,989	12,800,732
		)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period		
	51,378,642	39,534,653
		)
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period		
	39,534,653	26,733,921
	\$	\$
Cash paid for interest		
	25,564,611	25,224,653
	\$	\$
Cash paid for income taxes		
	1,550,250	1,402,784
	\$	\$

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements



**BEASLEY BROADCAST GROUP, INC.**  
**NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**(1) Nature of Business**

Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc. (the "Company" or "BBGI") is a multi-platform media company, operating

two

reportable business segments, whose primary business is operating radio stations throughout the United States. The Company offers local and national advertisers integrated marketing solutions across audio, digital and event platforms. The Company owns and operates stations in the following markets: Atlanta, GA, Augusta, GA, Boston, MA, Charlotte, NC, Detroit, MI, Fayetteville, NC, Fort Myers-Naples, FL, Las Vegas, NV, Middlesex, NJ, Monmouth, NJ, Morristown, NJ, Philadelphia, PA, and Tampa-Saint Petersburg, FL.

**(2) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

*Principles of Consolidation*

The financial statements and accompanying notes are prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and include the accounts of the Company and its wholly owned subsidiaries, including OutlawsXP, Inc. ("Outlaws"). All significant inter-company transactions and balances have been eliminated.

*Use of Estimates*

Preparing financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the period. Such estimates include: (i) the amount of allowance for credit losses; (ii) future cash flows used for testing recoverability of property and equipment; (iii) fair values used for testing Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") licenses, goodwill and other intangibles for impairment; (iv) estimates used to determine the incremental borrowing rate to record lease liabilities and related right-of-use assets (v) the realization of deferred tax assets; and (vi) actuarial assumptions related to the Supplemental Employee Retirement Plan ("SERP"). Actual results and outcomes may differ from management's estimates and assumptions.

*Reclassifications*

Certain amounts previously reported in the 2022 financial statements have been reclassified to conform to the 2023 presentation.

*Cash and Cash Equivalents*

All short-term investments with an original maturity of three months or less are considered to be cash equivalents.

*Accounts Receivable*

Accounts receivable consist primarily of uncollected amounts due from advertisers for the sale of advertising airtime. The amounts are net of advertising agency commissions and an allowance for credit losses. The allowance for credit losses reflects management's estimate of expected losses in accounts receivable from local advertisers and national agencies. Management determines the allowance based on historical information, relative improvements or deteriorations in the age of the accounts receivable and changes in current economic conditions and reasonable and supportable forecasts of future economic conditions. Interest is not accrued on accounts receivable.

The changes in allowance for credit losses on accounts receivable are as follows:

	<b>December 31,</b>	
	<b>2022</b>	<b>2023</b>
Beginning balance		
	\$ 1,720,477	\$ 1,876,751
Provision for credit losses		
	1,108,840	1,642,545
Deductions	( 952,566 )	( 1,767,238 )
Ending balance	<u>\$ 1,876,751</u>	<u>\$ 1,752,058</u>

### *Property and Equipment*

Property and equipment is recorded at fair value in a business combination or otherwise at cost and depreciated using the straight-line method over the estimated useful life of the asset. If an event or change in circumstances were to indicate that the carrying amount of property and equipment is not recoverable, the carrying amount will be reduced to the estimated fair value. Repairs and maintenance are charged to expense as incurred.

### *FCC Licenses*

FCC licenses, including translator licenses, are generally granted for renewable terms of eight years. Renewal costs are generally minor and expensed as incurred. Licenses are tested for impairment on an annual basis, or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the Company's licenses might be impaired. The Company assesses qualitative factors to determine whether it is more likely than not that its licenses are impaired. If the Company determines it is more likely than not that its licenses are impaired, then the Company is required to perform the quantitative impairment test. The quantitative impairment test compares the fair value of the Company's licenses with their carrying amounts. If the carrying amounts of the licenses exceed their fair value, an impairment loss is recognized in an amount equal to that excess. For the purpose of testing its licenses for impairment, the Company combines its licenses into reporting units based on its market clusters. See Note 5 for changes in the carrying amount of FCC licenses for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2023. The weighted-average period before the next renewal of the Company's FCC licenses is 5.0 years.

### *Goodwill*

Goodwill is tested for impairment on an annual basis, or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the Company's goodwill might be impaired. The Company assesses qualitative factors to determine whether it is necessary to perform a quantitative assessment for each reporting unit. If the quantitative assessment is necessary, the Company will determine the fair value of each reporting unit. If the fair value of any reporting unit is less than the carrying amount, the Company will recognize an impairment charge for the amount by which the carrying amount exceeds the reporting unit's fair value. The loss recognized will not exceed the total amount of goodwill allocated to the reporting unit. For the purpose of testing its goodwill for impairment, the Company has identified its market clusters, digital, and esports as its reporting units. See Note 6 for changes in the carrying amount of goodwill for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2023.

### *Other Intangibles*

Other intangibles include advertiser relationships, franchise rights and a trade name with finite lives that are amortized over their respective estimated useful lives. If an event or change in circumstances were to indicate that the carrying amount of any other intangibles is not recoverable, the carrying amount will be reduced to the estimated fair value. Other intangibles also includes brands with indefinite lives that are tested for impairment on an annual basis, or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the Company's brands might be impaired. For the purpose of testing its other intangibles for impairment, the Company has identified its market clusters, digital, and esports as its reporting units. See Note 7 for changes in the carrying amount of other intangibles for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2023.

### *Investments*

Other assets include an investment in Quu, Inc. ("Quu"). The Company is considered to have the ability to exercise significant influence over the operating and financial policies of Quu. Therefore, the investment in Quu is accounted for using the equity method. The Company will recognize its share of the earnings of Quu in the periods for which it is reported. Any loss in value of the investment that is other than a temporary decline will be recognized. Other assets also include a noncontrolling interest in AUDIOis, which does not have a readily determinable fair value, and therefore, is recorded at cost less impairment. The Company evaluates the investments on a quarterly basis to identify impairment. When the evaluation indicates that an impairment exists, the Company will estimate the fair value of the investment and recognize an impairment loss equal to the difference between the fair value and the carrying amount of the investment. The carrying amount of the investment in QUU was \$

2.0  
million and \$

1.8  
million as of December 31, 2022 and 2023, respectively.

### *Debt Issuance Costs*



Debt issuance costs are capitalized and amortized over the life of the related debt as interest expense on a straight-line basis which approximates the effective interest method. Unamortized debt issuance costs are reported as a direct deduction from the carrying amount of the related debt.

#### *Leases*

The Company determines whether a contract is or contains a lease at inception. The term for each lease agreement begins on the commencement date and includes the noncancelable period specified in the agreement together with: (1) the periods covered by options to extend the lease if the Company is reasonably certain to exercise that option, (2) the periods covered by an option to terminate if the Company is reasonably certain not to exercise that option and (3) the period covered by an option to extend (or not terminate) if controlled by the lessor. The lease liabilities and the related right-of use assets are calculated based on the present value of the lease payments using (1) the rate implicit in the lease or (2) the lessee's incremental borrowing rate ("IBR"). IBR is defined as the rate of interest that a lessee would have to pay to borrow on a collateralized basis over a similar term an amount equal to the lease payments in a similar economic environment.

#### *Supplemental Employee Retirement Plan*

The costs and liabilities of the SERP are determined using actuarial valuations. An actuarial valuation involves making various assumptions that include the discount rate and mortality rates. The discount rate is based on matching the cash flows of the SERP to the FTSE Pension Discount Curve. The mortality assumptions are based on the mortality tables and mortality improvement scales that are selected based on the most recent study of the Society of Actuaries. The SERP is frozen so future employment does not change the benefit amounts. Actual results will differ from results which are estimated based on assumptions.

#### *Treasury Stock*

Treasury stock is accounted for using the cost method whereby the entire cost of the acquired stock is recorded as treasury stock.

#### *Stock-Based Compensation*

The Company measures the cost of employee services received in exchange for an award of equity instruments based on the grant-date fair value of the award. The cost is recognized in earnings over the period during which an employee is required to provide service. No compensation cost is recognized for equity instruments for which employees do not render the requisite services.

#### *Income Taxes*

The Company recorded income taxes under the liability method. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for all temporary differences between tax and financial reporting bases of the Company's assets and liabilities using enacted tax rates applicable to the periods in which the differences are expected to affect taxable income. Tax benefits from an uncertain tax position are only recognized if it is more likely than not that the tax position will be sustained on examination by the taxing authorities, based on the technical merits of the position. The tax benefits recognized in the financial statements from such a position are measured based on the largest benefit that has a greater than fifty percent likelihood of being realized upon ultimate resolution. Interest and penalties related to unrecognized tax benefits are recorded as incurred as a component of income tax expense.

#### *Comprehensive Loss*

Comprehensive loss consists of net loss and other gains and losses affecting equity that, under accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, are excluded from net loss, including unrecognized net actuarial gains and losses related to the SERP.

#### *Loss per Share*

Basic net loss per share is computed by dividing net loss attributable to common stockholders of the Company by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding for the period. Common shares outstanding include shares of both Class A and Class B common stock, which have equal rights and privileges except with respect to voting. Diluted net loss per share reflects the potential dilution that could occur if restricted stock units or other contracts to issue common stock were exercised or converted into common

stock and were not anti-dilutive. When reporting a net loss, the effect of restrictive stock units is excluded under the treasury stock method as the addition of shares would be anti-dilutive.

#### *Concentrations of Risk*

Certain cash deposits with financial institutions may, at times, exceed FDIC insurance limits.

The stations located in Boston, MA, Detroit, MI, and Philadelphia, PA collectively contributed

58

% of the Company's net revenue in 2023. The stations located in Boston, MA, Detroit, MI, and Philadelphia, PA collectively contributed

58

% of the Company's net revenue in 2022.

#### *Fair Value Measurements*

Fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. Inputs refer broadly to the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability, including assumptions about risk. Inputs may be observable or unobservable. Observable inputs are based on market data obtained from sources independent of the Company. Unobservable inputs reflect the Company's own assumptions based on the best information available in the circumstances. The fair value hierarchy prioritizes the inputs used to measure fair value into three broad levels. The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are defined as follows:

Level 1 – Inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities as of the reporting date.

Level 2 – Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly, as of the reporting date.

Level 3 – Unobservable inputs for the asset or liability that reflect management's own assumptions about the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability as of the reporting date.

#### *Sports Programming Costs*

Sports programming rights for a specified season are amortized on a straight-line basis over the season. Other payments are expensed when the additional contract elements, such as post-season games, are broadcast.

#### *Segments*

The Company currently operates

two

operating and reportable segments (Audio and Digital). The Company also operated an esports segment in 2022 and from January 1, 2023 to December 13, 2023. The identification of segments is consistent with how the segments report to and are managed by the Company's Chief Executive Officer (the Company's Chief Operating Decision Maker). Operating results are reported to the Chief Operating Decision Maker on a statement of operations, which includes net revenue, operating expenses, impairment losses, gains and losses on dispositions and depreciation and amortization. Corporate expenses include general and administrative expenses and certain other income and expense items not allocated to the operating segments.

#### *Recent Accounting Pronouncements*

In November 2023, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued guidance which requires additional disclosures for the Company's reportable segments, primarily related to significant segment expenses. The guidance is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2023, and interim periods within the fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2024, with early adoption permitted. The amendments should be applied retrospectively to all prior periods presented in the financial statements. The Company is currently in the process of reviewing the new guidance.

In June 2016, the FASB issued guidance that will require the measurement of all expected credit losses for financial assets, including accounts receivable, held at the reporting date based on historical experience, current conditions, and reasonable and supportable forecasts. The guidance was initially effective for the Company for annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2019, and interim periods within those fiscal years. In November 2019, the FASB issued additional guidance that included a deferral of the effective date for smaller reporting companies as defined by the Securities and Exchange Commission to fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2022, and interim periods within those years. The Company adopted the guidance on January 1, 2023, and the adoption did not have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

**(3) Acquisitions and Dispositions**

On December 13, 2023, the Company completed the termination of its esports operations. The Company received a \$6.0 million termination payment from the esports league in the fourth quarter of 2023. The Company no longer has esports operations after completion of the termination. However, management determined that the termination did not represent a strategic shift that would have significant effect on the Company's operations and financial results; therefore, the esports operations have not been reported as discontinued operations. The Company recorded a loss on termination of \$

0.3 million during the fourth quarter of 2023.

The loss on termination is summarized as follows:

Termination payment	
	6,000,000
	\$
Goodwill (see Note 6)	(
	1,761,100
	)
Other intangibles (see Note 7)	(
	4,529,447
	)
Loss on termination	(
	290,547
	\$
	)

In addition, the remaining \$6.0 million franchise fee payable to the esports league was forgiven by the esports league and is reported in the accompanying consolidated statement of comprehensive loss for the year ended December 31, 2023.

On October 5, 2023, the Company completed the sale of substantially all of the assets used in the operation of WJBR-FM in Wilmington, DE to a third party for \$

5.0 million in cash. During the second quarter of 2023, due to the potential sale of these assets, the Company recorded and impairment loss of \$10.0 million related to the FCC license. The Company no longer has operations in the Wilmington, DE market after completion of the disposition. However, management determined that the disposition did not represent a strategic shift that would have significant effect on the Company's operations and financial results; therefore, the operations in the Wilmington, DE market have not been reported as discontinued operations. The Company recorded a gain on disposition of approximately \$

18,000 during the fourth quarter of 2023.

On September 11, 2023, the Company completed the sale of substantially all of the assets used in the operations of WWWE-AM in Atlanta, GA to a third party for \$

250,000 in cash.

On December 22, 2022, the Company completed an asset exchange with Audacy Nevada, LLC and Beasley Media Group, LLC under which the Company agreed to exchange all of the assets used or useful in the operations of KDWN-AM in Las Vegas, NV for all of the assets used or useful in the operations of KXTE-FM in Las Vegas, NV. On September 29, 2022, the Company also entered into a local marketing agreement ("LMA") with Audacy Nevada, LLC and began operating KXTE-FM on November 14, 2022. The LMA ended on December 22, 2022. The assets received from the exchange did not meet the definition of a business under ASC 805. The exchange was accounted for in accordance with ASC 610-20, which resulted in the Company recognizing a gain for the difference between the fair value of the assets received and the carrying amount of the assets given.

The fair value of the assets received in the asset exchange was \$5.8 million. The Company recorded a gain on exchange of \$

3.4 million.

The asset allocation is summarized as follows:

Property and equipment	
	\$ 302,336
FCC license	
	5,451,000
Fair value of assets received	
	5,753,336
Carrying amount of assets of exchanged station	(
	2,402,797
Gain on exchange	)
	\$ 3,350,539

The fair value of the property and equipment was estimated using cost and market approaches. Property and equipment for which there are comparable current replacements available were valued on the basis of a cost approach. The cost approach allowed for factors such as physical depreciation as well as functional and economic obsolescence. Property and equipment for which an active used market exists, including property for which there is no longer comparable current replacements available but for which there remains an active used market, were valued using a market approach. The market approach is based on the selling prices of similar assets on the used market. As few sales reflect identical assets, the selling prices of similar assets was utilized with adjustments made for any differences such as age, condition, and options. If different assumptions or estimates had been used in the cost and market approaches, the fair value of the property and equipment could have been materially different.

The fair value of the FCC license was estimated using an income approach. The income approach measures the expected economic benefits the licenses provide and discounts these future benefits using discounted cash flow analyses. The discounted cash

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flow analyses assume that each license is held by a hypothetical start-up station and the value yielded by the discounted cash flow analyses represents the portion of the station's value attributable solely to its license. The discounted cash flow model incorporates variables such as market revenues; the projected growth rate for market revenues; projected market revenue share; projected station operating income margins; and a discount rate appropriate for the radio broadcasting industry. The variables used in the analyses reflect historical station and market growth trends, as well as anticipated station performance, industry standards, and market conditions. The discounted cash flow projection period of ten years was determined to be an appropriate time horizon for the analyses. Stable market revenue share and operating margins are expected at the end of year three (maturity). If different assumptions or estimates had been used in the income approach, the fair value of the FCC licenses could have been materially different. If actual results are different from assumptions or estimates used in the discounted cash flow analyses, the Company may incur impairment losses in the future and they may be material.

The key assumptions used in the valuation of the FCC license are as follows:

Revenue growth rates	
	0.3 %
	1.5 %
Market revenue shares at maturity	
	5.2 %
Operating income margins at maturity	
	23.3 %
Discount rate	
	9.5 %

On June 22, 2022, the Company completed the acquisition of Guarantee Digital, LLC ("Guarantee"), a digital marketing agency, for \$

2.0 million in cash. The acquisition broadened the Company's digital revenue base across the U.S. The acquisition was accounted for as a business combination. The final purchase price allocation was completed during the third quarter of 2022. The final purchase price allocation is summarized as follows:

Property and equipment	
	\$ 3,000
Goodwill	
	922,000
Other intangibles	
	1,075,000
	\$ 2,000,000

Goodwill was equal to the amount the purchase price exceeded the values allocated to the tangible and identifiable intangible assets and includes the value of the assembled workforce. The goodwill was allocated to the Digital segment. The \$

0.9 million allocated to goodwill is deductible for tax purposes. Revenue and earnings for Guarantee are not material for all reporting periods presented in the accompanying financial statements.

On April 1, 2022, the Company completed the sale of substantially all of the assets used in the operations of WWNN-AM in West Palm Beach-Boca Raton, FL to a third party for \$

1.25 million in cash. As a result of the sale, the Company recorded an impairment loss of \$

1.9 million related to the FCC license during the first quarter of 2022.

#### (4) Property and Equipment

Property and equipment is comprised of the following:

	December 31,		Estimated useful lives (years)
	2022	2023	
Land			
	\$ 13,342,547	\$ 13,322,390	—
Buildings and improvements			15
			-
	39,350,594	37,255,078	30
Broadcast equipment			5
			-
	32,663,190	34,781,546	15
Transportation equipment			
	2,304,018	2,265,706	5
Office equipment			5
			-
	9,871,341	9,629,737	10
Construction in progress			
	649,321	430,175	—
	98,181,011	97,684,632	
Less accumulated depreciation and amortization	(	(	
	42,373,964	46,209,878	
	)	)	
	\$ 55,807,047	\$ 51,474,754	

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The Company recorded depreciation expense of \$

6.9  
million and \$

7.8  
million for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2023, respectively.

### (5) FCC Licenses

Changes in the carrying amount of FCC licenses for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2023 are as follows:

Balance as of January 1, 2022	
	508,413,913
	\$
Asset exchange acquisition (see Note 3)	
	5,451,000
Asset exchange disposition (see Note 3)	(
	2,025,500
	)
Disposition (see Note 3)	(
	790,232
	)
Impairment losses (see below and also Note 3)	(
	23,799,383
	)
Balance as of December 31, 2022	
	487,249,798
Dispositions (see Note 3)	(
	5,028,233
	)
Impairment losses (see below and also Note 3)	(
	89,214,665
	)
Balance as of December 31, 2023	
	393,006,900
	\$

FCC licenses are tested for impairment on an annual basis, or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the FCC licenses might be impaired. The Company assesses qualitative factors to determine whether it is more likely than not that its FCC licenses are impaired. If the Company determines it is more likely than not that its FCC licenses are impaired, then the Company is required to perform the quantitative impairment test. The quantitative impairment test compares the fair value of the FCC licenses with the carrying amounts of such licenses. If the carrying amounts of the FCC licenses exceed the fair value, an impairment loss is recognized in an amount equal to that excess. For the purpose of testing FCC licenses for impairment, the Company combines its licenses into reporting units based on its market clusters. The FCC license valuations are Level 3 non-recurring fair value measurements.

Due to an increase in interest rates in the U.S. economy and a decrease in projected revenues, the Company tested its FCC licenses for impairment during the third quarter of 2023. As a result of the quantitative impairment test performed as of September 30, 2023, the Company recorded impairment losses of \$

78.2

million related to the FCC licenses in each of its market clusters. The impairment losses were primarily due to an increase in the discount rate due to certain risks associated with the U.S. economy and a decrease in the projected revenues in each market cluster used in the discounted cash flow analyses to estimate the fair value of the Company's FCC licenses. The fair values of the FCC licenses were estimated using an income approach. The income approach is based upon discounted cash flow analyses incorporating variables such as projected audio market revenues, projected growth rate for audio market revenues, projected audio market revenue shares, projected audio station operating income margins, and a discount rate appropriate for the audio industry. The key assumptions used in the discounted cash flow analyses are as follows:

Revenue growth rates	(
	1.2
	)% -
	1.8
	%

Market revenue shares at maturity	0.4 % -
	44.7 %
Operating income margins at maturity	19.7 % -
	30.4 %
Discount rate	10.0 %

The Company performed the annual quantitative impairment test for its FCC licenses in all markets during the fourth quarter of 2023. As a result of the quantitative impairment test performed as of November 30, 2023, the Company recorded impairment losses of \$

1.0

million related to the FCC licenses in its Augusta, GA, Fort Myers-Naples, FL, and Middlesex-Monmouth-Morristown, NJ market clusters. The impairment losses were primarily due to a decrease in projected revenue in these markets. The fair values of the FCC licenses were estimated using an income approach. The key assumptions used in the discounted cash flow analyses are as follows:

Revenue growth rates	( 16.5 )% -
	24.4 %
Market revenue shares at maturity	0.4 % -
	45.5 %
Operating income margins at maturity	19.7 % -
	29.9 %
Discount rate	10.0 %



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Due to an increase in interest rates in the U.S. economy, the Company tested its FCC licenses for impairment during the second quarter of 2022. As a result of the quantitative impairment tests performed as of June 30, 2022, the Company recorded impairment losses of \$

2.8

million related to the FCC licenses in its Fort Myers-Naples, FL, Las Vegas, NV, and Wilmington, DE market clusters. The impairment losses were primarily due to an increase in the discount rate used in the discounted cash flow analyses to estimate the fair value of the FCC licenses due to certain risks associated with the U.S. economy. The fair values of the FCC licenses were estimated using an income approach. The key assumptions used in the discounted cash flow analyses are as follows:

Revenue growth rates	(
	1.9
	)% -
	15.9
	%
Market revenue shares at maturity	
	0.6
	% -
	44.0
	%
Operating income margins at maturity	
	19.2
	% -
	32.6
	%
Discount rate	
	9.5
	%

Interest rates in the U.S. economy continued to increase during the third quarter of 2022; however, there were no changes to the discount rate or any other items used in the discounted cash flow analyses to estimate the fair value of the FCC licenses. Therefore, the Company did not record any impairment losses related to FCC licenses during the third quarter of 2022.

The Company performed the annual quantitative impairment test for its FCC licenses in all markets during the fourth quarter of 2022. As a result of the quantitative impairment test performed as of November 30, 2022, the Company recorded impairment losses of \$

19.2

million related to the FCC licenses in its Boston, MA, Charlotte, NC, Fort Myers-Naples, FL, Middlesex-Monmouth-Morristown, NJ, and Wilmington, DE market clusters. The impairment losses were primarily due to a decrease in projected revenue in these markets. The fair values of the FCC licenses were estimated using an income approach. The key assumptions used in the discounted cash flow analyses are as follows:

Revenue growth rates	
	0.3
	% -
	2.7
	%
Market revenue shares at maturity	
	0.7
	% -
	44.7
	%
Operating income margins at maturity	
	19.7
	% -
	30.4
	%
Discount rate	
	9.5
	%

## (6) Goodwill

Changes in the carrying amount of goodwill for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2023 are as follows:

Balance as of January 1, 2022	
	28,596,547
	\$
Acquisition (see Note 3)	
	922,000
Impairment losses	(
	16,253,087
	)
Balance as of December 31, 2022	
	13,265,460
Disposition (see Note 3)	(
	1,761,100
	)
Impairment losses	(
	10,582,360
	)
Balance as of December 31, 2023	
	922,000
	\$

Goodwill is tested for impairment on an annual basis, or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the Company's goodwill might be impaired. The Company assesses qualitative factors to determine whether it is necessary to perform a quantitative assessment for each reporting unit. If the quantitative assessment is necessary, the Company will determine the fair value of each reporting unit. If the fair value of any reporting unit is less than the carrying amount, the Company will recognize an impairment charge for the amount by which the carrying amount exceeds the reporting unit's fair value. The loss recognized will not exceed the total amount of goodwill allocated to the reporting unit. For the purpose of testing goodwill for impairment, the Company has identified its audio market clusters and esports as its reporting units. The goodwill valuations are Level 3 non-recurring fair value measurements.

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Due to an increase in interest rates in the U.S. economy and a decrease in projected revenues, the Company tested its goodwill for impairment during the third quarter of 2023. As a result of the quantitative impairment test performed as of September 30, 2023, the Company recorded an impairment loss of \$

10.6

million related to the goodwill in its Philadelphia, PA market cluster. The impairment loss was primarily due to an increase in the discount rate due to certain risks associated with the U.S. economy and a decrease in the projected revenues used in the discounted cash flow analysis to estimate the fair value of our goodwill. The fair value of the goodwill in the Philadelphia, PA market cluster was estimated using an income approach. The income approach is based upon discounted cash flow analyses incorporating variables such as projected audio market revenues, projected growth rate for audio market revenues, projected audio market revenue shares, projected audio station operating income margins, and a discount rate appropriate for the audio industry. The key assumptions used in the discounted cash flow analyses are as follows:

Revenue growth rates	(
	9.3
	)% -
	1.4
	%
Operating income margin	
	27.9
	%
Discount rate	
	10.0
	%

Due to an increase in interest rates in the U.S. economy, the Company tested its goodwill for impairment during the second quarter of 2022. As a result of the quantitative impairment test performed as of June 30, 2022, the Company recorded impairment losses of \$

5.9

million related to the goodwill in its Boston, MA, Charlotte, NC, Fayetteville, NC, Fort Myers-Naples, FL, and Tampa-Saint Petersburg, FL market clusters. The impairment losses were primarily due to an increase in the discount rate used in the discounted cash flow analyses to estimate the fair value of goodwill due to certain risks associated with the U.S. economy. The fair values of the goodwill was estimated using an income approach. The key assumptions used in the discounted cash flow analyses are as follows:

Revenue growth rates	(
	1.9
	)% -
	11.1
	%
Operating income margins	
	5.4
	% -
	29.8
	%
Discount rate	
	9.5
	%

Interest rates in the U.S. economy continued to increase during the third quarter of 2022; however, there were no changes to the discount rate or any other items used in the discounted cash flow analyses to estimate the fair value of goodwill. Therefore, the Company did not record any impairment losses related to goodwill during the third quarter of 2022.

The Company performed the annual quantitative impairment test for its goodwill in all markets during the fourth quarter of 2022. As a result of the quantitative impairment test, the Company recorded an impairment loss of \$

8.9

million related to the goodwill in its Boston, MA market cluster. The impairment loss was primarily due to a decrease in projected revenue in Boston. The fair value of its goodwill was estimated using an income approach. The key assumptions used in the discounted cash flow analysis are as follows:

Revenue growth rates	
	0.5
	% -
	11.4
	%
Operating income margin	
	13.1
	%

Discount rate	9.5 %
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In addition, as a result of a quantitative impairment test in the esports segment, the Company recorded an impairment loss of \$

1.5 million related to the goodwill in the esports segment during the fourth quarter of 2022. The impairment loss was primarily due to a decrease in projected revenue in the esports segment.

## (7) Other Intangibles

Other intangibles as of December 31, 2023 are comprised of the following:

	Asset	Accumulated amortization	Net asset	Amortization period (years)
Advertiser relationships		(		6
		-		
	2,029,000	864,129	1,164,871	11
	\$	\$	\$	
Trade name		(		
	510,000	96,950	413,050	8
		)		
		(		
	2,539,000	961,079	1,577,921	
		)		
Brands				
	1,115,663	—	1,115,663	
		—		
Other intangibles with indefinite lives				
	28,824	—	28,824	
		—		
		(		
	3,683,487	961,079	2,722,408	
	\$	\$	\$	

Other intangibles as of December 31, 2022 are comprised of the following:

	Asset	Accumulated amortization	Net asset	Amortization period (years)
Advertiser relationships		(		6
	2,029,000	636,869	1,392,131	11
	\$	\$	\$	
Franchise rights				
	4,739,523	—	4,739,523	10
Trade name		(		
	510,000	33,202	476,798	8
		)		
		(		
	7,278,523	670,071	6,608,452	
		)		
Brands				
	1,582,663	—	1,582,663	
Other intangibles with indefinite lives				
	28,824	—	28,824	
		(		
	8,890,010	670,071	8,219,939	
	\$	\$	\$	

If an event or change in circumstances were to indicate that the carrying amount of any other intangibles is not recoverable, the carrying amount will be reduced to the estimated fair value. For the purpose of testing its other intangibles for impairment, the Company has identified its market clusters, digital, and esports as its reporting units.

During the fourth quarter of 2022, the Company received information related to the franchise rights in the esports segment, and based on that information the Company concluded that the carrying amount of the franchise rights was not fully recoverable. Therefore, the Company performed a quantitative impairment test for its franchise rights as of December 31, 2022. As a result of the test, the Company recorded an impairment loss of \$

12.8

million. The fair values of the franchise rights were estimated using an income approach. The income approach is based upon discounted cash flow analyses incorporating variables such as projected revenue, projected growth rate for revenue, projected operating income margins, and a discount rate appropriate for the esports industry. The key assumptions used in the discounted cash flow analyses are as follows:

Revenue growth rate(s)	
	3.0
	% -
	25.0
	%
Operating income margin(s)	(
	22.3
	)% -
	43.5
	%
Discount rate	
	20.0
	%

The Company recorded amortization expense of \$

2.7

million and \$

1.0

million for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2023, respectively. Estimated future amortization expense related to intangible assets subject to amortization for the next five years and thereafter is as follows:

2024	
	291,008
	\$
2025	
	291,008
2026	
	291,008
2027	
	291,008
2028	
	241,954
Thereafter	
	171,935
Total	
	1,577,921
	\$

#### (8) Other Current Liabilities

Other current liabilities are comprised of the following:

	December 31,	
	2022	2023
Accrued interest		
	10,448,469	10,100,833
	\$	\$
Accrued payroll expenses		
	5,121,950	4,906,900
Deferred revenue		
	4,696,989	4,835,984
Accrued digital expenses		
	3,028,440	3,284,767
Other accrued expenses		
	5,887,782	2,785,343
	29,183,630	25,913,827
	\$	\$

## (9) Long-Term Debt

Long-term debt is comprised of the following:

	December 31, 2022	December 31, 2023
Secured notes		
	290,000,000	267,000,000
	\$	\$
Less unamortized debt issuance costs	(	(
	4,527,893	2,796,990
	)	)
	285,472,107	264,203,010
	\$	\$

On February 2, 2021, the Company issued \$

300.0

million aggregate principal amount of

8.625

% senior secured notes due on February 1, 2026 (the "Notes") under an indenture dated February 2, 2021 (the "Indenture"). Interest on the Notes accrues at the rate of

8.625

% per annum and is payable semiannually in arrears on February 1 and August 1 of each year. The Notes are secured on a first-lien priority basis by substantially all assets of the Company and its majority owned subsidiaries and are guaranteed jointly and severally by the Company and its majority owned subsidiaries. The Company used the net proceeds from the Notes, to refinance in full our previously outstanding credit facility, to repay a previously outstanding promissory note and loan from George Beasley and to pay related accrued interest, fees and expenses. The Indenture contains restrictive covenants that limit the ability of the Company and its subsidiaries to, among other things, incur additional indebtedness, guarantee indebtedness or issue disqualified stock or, in the case of such subsidiaries, preferred stock; pay dividends on, repurchase or make distributions in respect of our capital stock or make other restricted payments; make certain investments or acquisitions; sell, transfer or otherwise convey certain assets; create liens; enter into agreements restricting certain subsidiaries' ability to pay dividends or make other intercompany transfers; consolidate, merge, sell or otherwise dispose of all or substantially all of its assets; enter into transactions with affiliates; prepay certain kinds of indebtedness; and issue or sell stock of its subsidiaries. Prior to February 1, 2025, the Company will be subject to certain premiums, as defined in the Indenture, for optional or mandatory (upon certain contingent events) redemption of some or all of the Notes.

In the fourth quarter of 2023, the Company repurchased \$

20.0

million aggregate principal amount of the Notes for an aggregate price equal to

65

% of the principal amount and recorded an aggregate gain of \$

6.8

million as a result of the repurchases. In the second quarter of 2023, the Company repurchased \$

3.0

million principal amount of the Notes for a price equal to

66

% of the principal amount and recorded a gain of \$

1.0

million as a result of the repurchase.

In the third quarter of 2022, the Company repurchased \$

5.0

million aggregate principal amount of the Notes for an aggregate price equal to

77

% of the principal amount and recorded an aggregate gain of \$

1.0

million as a result of the repurchases. In the second quarter of 2022, the Company repurchased \$

5.0

million aggregate principal amount of the Notes for an aggregate price equal to

96

% of the principal amount and recorded an aggregate gain of \$

0.1

million as a result of the repurchases.

#### (10) Leases

The Company leases office space, towers and office equipment. Discount rates are based on the Company's incremental borrowing rate due to the rate implicit in the leases being not readily determinable. The Company used the current borrowing rate on its credit facility, adjusted for the effects of collateralization, to determine the various rates it would pay to finance similar transactions over similar time periods.

The following table summarizes lease information:

	Year ended December 31,	
	2022	2023
Lease cost		
Operating lease cost		
	\$ 11,974,079	\$ 11,565,713
Short-term lease cost		
	29,880	30,620
Total lease cost		
	<u>\$ 12,003,959</u>	<u>\$ 11,596,333</u>
Other information		
Operating cash flows from operating leases		
	\$ 11,665,909	\$ 12,182,522
Right-of-use assets obtained in exchange for new operating lease liabilities		
	13,383,043	4,561,161



	December 31, 2023
Weighted-average remaining lease term – operating leases	6.8
Weighted-average discount rate – operating leases	9.1%

As of December 31, 2023, future minimum payments for operating and finance leases for the next five years and thereafter are summarized as follows:

2024	
	11,260,982
	\$
2025	
	10,483,998
2026	
	8,070,642
2027	
	6,555,452
2028	
	5,015,972
Thereafter	
	16,098,110
Total lease payments	57,485,156
Less imputed interest	(
	15,961,929
	)
Present value of lease liabilities	
	41,523,227
	\$

(11) Employee Benefit Plans

Defined Contribution Plan

The Company has a defined contribution plan that conforms to Section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code. Under this plan, employees may contribute a minimum of

1% of their compensation (no maximum) to the Plan. However, the Internal Revenue Code limited contributions to \$

20,500 and \$

22,500 (or \$

27,000 and \$

30,000

if aged 50 years or older) in 2022 and 2023, respectively.

No

employer matching contributions were made to the defined contribution plan in 2022 and 2023.

*Supplemental Employee Retirement Plan*

The benefit obligations related to the frozen SERP of \$

8.0

million are reported in other long-term liabilities, of which \$

0.6

million was reclassified to other current liabilities, in the consolidated balance sheets as of December 31, 2022 and 2023. The Company contributed \$

0.5

million to the SERP in both 2022 and 2023.

The SERP is summarized as follows:

	Year ended December 31,	
	2022	2023
<b>Change in Projected Benefit Obligation</b>		
Benefit obligation at beginning of year		
	\$ 10,187,817	\$ 7,958,072
Interest cost	250,240	379,126
Actuarial (gain) loss	( 1,990,024 )	( 205,087 )
Benefits paid	( 489,961 )	( 535,450 )
Benefit obligation at end of year	<u>\$ 7,958,072</u>	<u>\$ 8,006,835</u>
<b>Change in Plan Assets</b>		
Fair value of plan assets at beginning of year	\$ —	\$ —
Employer contribution	489,961	535,450
Benefits paid	( 489,961 )	( 535,450 )
Fair value of plan assets at end of year	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ —</u>
Funded status	( 7,958,072 )	( 8,006,835 )
Unrecognized net actuarial loss	( 669,250 )	( 464,163 )
Cumulative employer contributions in excess of the net periodic pension cost	( 8,627,322 )	( 8,470,998 )



**Amounts Recognized in the Statement of Financial Position**

Current liabilities	(	(
	562,238	606,578
	\$ )	\$ )
Noncurrent liabilities	(	(
	7,395,834	7,400,257
	)	)
Net amount recognized	(	(
	7,958,072	8,006,835
	\$ )	\$ )

**Amounts Recognized in Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income**

Net actuarial (gain) loss	(	(
	669,250	464,163
	\$ )	\$ )
Total (before tax effects)	(	(
	669,250	464,163
	\$ )	\$ )

**Information for Pension Plans about Benefit Obligation and Plan Assets**

Projected benefit obligation		
	7,958,072	8,006,835
	\$ )	\$ )
Accumulated benefit obligation		
	7,958,072	8,006,835
	\$ )	\$ )

**Weighted-Average Assumptions for Disclosure**

Discount rate	4.90	4.70
	%	%
Mortality table	Pri-2012 WC	Pri-2012 WC
Mortality improvement scale	MP-2021	MP-2021

**Net Periodic Benefit Cost**

Interest cost		
	250,240	379,126
	\$ )	\$ )
Recognized net actuarial (gain) loss	98,082	—
Net periodic benefit cost		
	348,322	379,126
	\$ )	\$ )

**Other Changes in Plan Assets and Benefit Obligations Recognized in Other Comprehensive Income**

Net actuarial (gain) loss	(	(
	1,990,024	205,087
	\$ )	\$ )
Recognized net actuarial (gain) loss	(	(
	98,082	—
	)	)

Total recognized in other comprehensive income (before tax effects)	(		
		2,088,106	205,087
	\$	<u>          </u> )	\$ <u>          </u>
Total recognized in net cost and other comprehensive income (before tax effects)	(		
		1,739,784	584,213
	\$	<u>          </u> )	\$ <u>          </u>

#### Amounts Expected to be Recognized in Net Periodic Cost in the Coming Year

(Gain) loss recognition			
		—	—
	\$		\$
Prior service cost recognition			
		—	—
	\$		\$
Net initial obligation (asset) recognition			
		—	—
	\$		\$

#### Weighted-average assumptions used to determine Net Periodic Benefit Cost

Discount rate		2.50	4.90
		%	%
Corridor			
		10.00	10.00
		%	%
Average future working lifetime			
		4.99	4.52
Mortality table			
		Pri-2012 WC	Pri-2012 WC
Mortality improvement scale			
		MP-2021	MP-2021

#### Estimated Future Benefit Payments

2024		
		606,578
	\$	
2025		
		628,455
	\$	
2026		
		628,088
	\$	
2027		
		619,658
	\$	
2028		
		619,012
	\$	
2029-2033		
		2,982,667
	\$	

#### Contributions

Estimated contributions for 2024		
		606,578
	\$	<u>          </u>



## (12) Stockholders' Equity

The Company has two classes of common stock: Class A common stock and Class B common stock. In the election of directors, the holders of Class A common stock are entitled by class vote, exclusive of other stockholders, to elect two of the Company's directors, with each Class A share being entitled to one vote. In the election of the other six directors and all other matters submitted to the stockholders for a vote, the holders of Class A shares and Class B shares shall vote as a single class, with each Class A share being entitled to one vote and each Class B share entitled to ten votes.

From time to time, the Company repurchases sufficient shares of its common stock to fund withholding taxes in connection with the vesting of restricted stock units. The Company paid \$

0.1  
million to repurchase

87,873  
shares in 2023.

The board of directors has suspended future quarterly dividend payments until it is determined that resumption of dividend payments is in the best interest of the Company's stockholders. In addition, the Indenture governing the Notes limits the ability of the Company to pay dividends.

## (13) Revenue

Revenue is comprised of the following:

	Year ended December 31,	
	2022	2023
Audio		
	\$ 213,036,307	\$ 199,481,868
Digital		
	40,755,164	45,417,296
Other		
	2,589,547	2,210,094
	<u>\$ 256,381,018</u>	<u>\$ 247,109,258</u>

The Company recognizes revenue when it satisfies a performance obligation under a contract with an advertiser. The transaction price is allocated to performance obligations based on executed contracts which represent relative standalone selling prices. Payment is generally due within 30 days, although certain advertisers are required to pay in advance. Revenues are reported at the amount the Company expects to be entitled to receive under the contract. The Company has elected to use the practical expedient to expense sales commissions as incurred. Payments received from advertisers before the performance obligation is satisfied are recorded as deferred revenue in the balance sheet. Substantially all deferred revenue is recognized within twelve months of the payment date.

	December 31, 2022	December 31, 2023
Deferred revenue		
	\$ 4,696,989	\$ 4,835,984

Audio revenue includes revenue from the sale or trade of aired commercial spots to advertisers directly or through national, regional or local advertising agencies. Each commercial spot is considered a performance obligation. Revenue is recognized when the commercial spots have aired. Trade sales are recorded at the estimated fair value of the goods or services received. If commercial spots are aired before the goods or services are received, then a trade sales receivable is recorded. If goods or services are received before the commercial spots are aired, then a trade sales payable is recorded. Other revenue includes revenue from concerts, promotional events, talent fees and other miscellaneous items. Such revenue is generally recognized when the concert, promotional event, or talent services are completed.

	December 31, 2022	December 31, 2023
Trade sales receivable		
	\$ 1,564,054	\$ 1,417,692
Trade sales payable		
	806,162	481,471

	Year ended December 31,	
	2022	2023
Trade sales revenue		
	\$ 5,862,351	\$ 5,963,305

Digital revenue includes revenue from the sale of streamed commercial spots, station-owned assets and third-party products. Each streamed commercial spot, station-owned asset and third-party product is considered a performance obligation. Revenue is recognized when the commercial spots have streamed. Station-owned assets are generally scheduled over a period of time and revenue is



recognized over time as the digital items are used for advertising content, except for streamed commercial spots. Third-party products are generally scheduled over a period of time with an impression target each month. Revenue from the sale of third-party products is recognized over time as the digital items are used for advertising content and impression targets are met each month. The Company assesses each digital order to determine if the Company is operating as the principal or an agent. The Company currently operates as the principal for digital revenue.

#### (14) Stock-Based Compensation

The Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc. 2007 Equity Incentive Award Plan (the "2007 Plan") permits the Company to issue up to

7.5

million shares of Class A common stock. The 2007 Plan allows for eligible employees, directors and certain consultants of the Company to receive restricted stock units, shares of restricted stock, stock options or other stock-based awards. The restricted stock units that have been granted under the 2007 Plan generally vest over one to five years of service.

A summary of restricted stock unit activity is presented below:

	Units	Weighted-Average Grant-Date Fair Value
Unvested as of January 1, 2022		
	940,834	2.77
		\$
Granted		
	778,857	1.35
Vested	(	
	513,915	2.51
	)	
Forfeited	(	
	120,958	2.32
	)	
Unvested as of December 31, 2022		
	1,084,818	1.87
Granted		
	475,520	0.80
Vested	(	
	628,155	1.60
	)	
Forfeited	(	
	158,849	1.02
	)	
Unvested as of December 31, 2023		
	773,334	1.54
		\$

As of December 31, 2023, there was \$

0.7

million of total unrecognized compensation cost for restricted stock units granted under the 2007 Plan. That cost is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 2.4 years.

#### (15) Income Taxes

Income tax benefit is as follows:

	Year ended December 31,	
	2022	2023
Current:		

Federal

		265,813	1,498,219
	\$	\$	
State			
		104,598	132,848
		370,411	1,631,067
Deferred:			
Federal		(	(
		10,074,570	20,442,502
		)	)
State		(	(
		8,083,275	5,475,931
		)	)
		(	(
		18,157,845	25,918,433
		)	)
		(	(
		17,787,434	24,287,366
	\$	\$	

Income tax benefit differs from the amounts that would result from applying the federal statutory rate of

21  
% to the Company's loss before taxes as follows:

	Year ended December 31,	
	2022	2023
Expected tax benefit	(	(
	12,564,847	20,844,385
	\$ )	\$ )
State income taxes, net of federal benefit	(	(
	2,618,634	4,320,644
	)	)
Tax rate adjustments	(	(
	3,687,539	112,968
	)	)
Change in valuation allowance	(	(
	5,121	3,742
	)	)
Non-deductible items		
	884,241	728,641
Other		
	204,466	265,732
	(	(
	17,787,434	24,287,366
	\$ )	\$ )

Temporary differences that give rise to the components of deferred tax assets and liabilities are as follows:

	December 31,	
	2022	2023
Deferred tax assets:		
Allowance for credit losses		
	476,552	444,198
	\$	\$
Other assets		
	327,689	1,515,891
Operating lease liabilities		
	919,745	876,923
Other long-term liabilities		
	2,084,645	2,029,965
Stock-based compensation		
	156,677	116,052
Interest expense limitation		
	10,006,855	14,663,404

Net operating losses	2,215,118	1,100,232
Subtotal	16,187,281	20,746,665
Valuation allowance	(	(
	299,922	296,180
	)	)
Total	15,887,359	20,450,485
Deferred tax liabilities:		
Prepaid expenses	(	(
	143,287	167,592
	)	)
Property and equipment	(	(
	5,834,727	5,309,534
	)	)
Intangibles	(	(
	107,978,326	86,868,274
	)	)
Total	(	(
	113,956,340	92,345,400
	)	)
Net deferred tax liabilities	(	(
	98,068,981	71,894,915
	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u>

As of December 31, 2023, the Company has state net operating losses of \$

20.0

million. The valuation allowance relates to unrealized losses on investments which management has determined, more likely than not, that such losses will not be utilized.

As of December 31, 2022 and 2023, the Company does not have any material unrecognized tax benefits and accordingly, has not recorded any interest or penalties related to unrecognized tax benefits. The Company and its subsidiaries file a consolidated federal income tax return and various state returns. These returns remain subject to examination by taxing authorities for all years after 2019.

#### (16) Loss Per Share

Net loss per share calculation information is as follows:

	Year ended December 31,	
	2022	2023
Net loss	(	(
	42,057,430	75,120,138
	\$	\$
Weighted-average shares outstanding:		
Basic		
	29,473,989	29,893,722
Effect of dilutive restricted stock units	—	—
Diluted		
	29,473,989	29,893,722

Net loss per Class A and Class B common share – basic and diluted	(	(
	1.43	2.51
	\$ <u>                    </u> )	\$ <u>                    </u> )

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The Company excluded the effect of restrictive stock units under the treasury stock method when reporting a net loss as the addition of shares was anti-dilutive. The number of shares excluded was

140,170  
and

85,800  
for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2023, respectively.

### **(17) Related Party Transactions**

The Company leases certain office space and towers from related parties as described below. As a result, the Company has recorded operating lease right-of-use assets of \$

3.9  
million and \$

4.6  
million for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2023, respectively and operating lease liabilities of \$

4.2  
million and \$

4.9  
million for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2023. The operating lease right-of-use assets and operating lease liabilities for the related party leases are reported in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2023.

#### *Beasley Broadcasting Management, LLC*

The Company leases its principal executive offices in Naples, FL from Beasley Broadcasting Management, LLC, which is held by a trust for the benefit of Caroline Beasley, Bruce G. Beasley, Brian E. Beasley and other members of the Beasley family. The lease agreement expires on December 31, 2031. Rental expense was \$

0.3

million for each of the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2023.

#### *Beasley Family Properties, LLC*

The Company leases office space for its stations in Fort Myers, FL from Beasley Family Properties, LLC, which is held by a trust for the benefit of Caroline Beasley, Bruce G. Beasley, Brian E. Beasley, and other members of the Beasley family. The lease agreement expires on August 31, 2024. Rental expense was \$

0.2

million for each of the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2023.

#### *Beasley Family Towers, LLC*

The Company leased towers for 19 stations in various markets from Beasley Family Towers, LLC ("BFT"), which is partially held by a trust for the benefit of Caroline Beasley, Bruce G. Beasley, Brian E. Beasley and other members of the Beasley family and partially owned directly by Caroline Beasley, Bruce G. Beasley, Brian E. Beasley and other members of the Beasley family. During the fourth quarter of 2023, BFT sold 18 of the towers to an unrelated third party. As a result, the leases are no longer considered related party transactions. The remaining lease agreement for the tower that is still owned by BFT expires on January 31, 2026. Rental expense was \$

0.8

million for each of the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2023.

The Company leases office space for its stations in Fayetteville, NC from BFT. The lease agreement expires on August 31, 2030. Rental expense was \$

0.1

million for each of the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2023.

#### *GGB Augusta, LLC*

The Company leases land for its stations in Augusta, GA from GGB Augusta, LLC, which is held by a trust for the benefit of Caroline Beasley, Bruce G. Beasley, Brian E. Beasley and other members of the Beasley family. The lease agreement expires on October 31, 2028. Rental expense was approximately \$

48,000  
and \$

52,000  
for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2023, respectively.

*GGB Las Vegas, LLC*

The Company leases office space for its stations in Las Vegas, NV from GGB Las Vegas, LLC, which is controlled by members of the Beasley family. The lease agreement expires on December 31, 2028. Rental expense was \$

0.2

million for each of the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2023.

*Wintersrun Communications, LLC*

The Company leased a tower for

one

station in Charlotte, NC from Wintersrun Communications, LLC ("Wintersrun"), which is partially held by a trust for the benefit of Caroline Beasley, Bruce G. Beasley, Brian E. Beasley and other members of the Beasley family and partially owned directly by Bruce G. Beasley and Brian E. Beasley. During the fourth quarter of 2023, Wintersrun sold the tower to an unrelated third party. As a result, the lease is no longer considered a related party transaction. Rental expense was \$

0.1

million for each of the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2023.

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The Company leases a tower for one station in Augusta, GA from Wintersrun. The lease agreement expires on October 15, 2025 . Rental expense was approximately \$ 31,000 for each of the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2023.

*Quu, Inc.*

The Company currently holds an investment in Quu, Inc. ("Quu"), a company that provides the Company with access to an application for digital revenue. Payments to Quu for access to the application were \$ 0.4 million for each of the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2023.

*Loan to Interactive Life, Inc.*

In May 2022, the Company provided a \$ 250,000 loan to Interactive Life, Inc. that accrues interest at 8.625 % per annum with no cash payments due until the loan's maturity in May 2024 . Interactive Life, Inc. is controlled by Mr. Joseph Harb. The Company currently holds an investment in Quu, a company that is controlled by Mr. Harb. Repayment of the loan to Interactive Life, Inc. is guaranteed by Mr. Harb with 3,333,334 shares of Class A common stock of Quu, Inc.

**(18) Commitments and Contingencies**

The Company has various commitments for rating services and on-air programming including sports broadcast rights for the Boston Bruins, Boston Celtics, and New England Patriots. As of December 31, 2023, future minimum payments for the next five years and thereafter are summarized as follows:

2024	25,393,981
	\$
2025	25,460,934
2026	8,328,829
2027	7,616,667
2028	7,418,334
Thereafter	14,075,000
Total	88,293,745
	\$

In the normal course of business, the Company is party to various legal matters. The ultimate disposition of these matters will not, in management's judgment, have a material adverse effect on the Company's financial position.

**(19) Financial Instruments**

The carrying amount of the Company's financial instruments, including cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable and accounts payable, approximates fair value due to the short-term nature of these financial instruments.



The estimated fair value of the Company's Notes, based on available market information, was \$

174.0  
million and \$

173.2

million as of December 31, 2022 and 2023, respectively. The Company used Level 2 measurements under the fair value measurement hierarchy to determine the estimated fair value of the Notes.

**(20) Segment Information**

The Company currently operates two operating and reportable segments (Audio and Digital). The Company also operated an esports segment in 2022 and from January 1, 2023 to December 13, 2023. The identification of segments is consistent with how the segments report to and are managed by the Company's Chief Executive Officer (the Company's Chief Operating Decision Maker). The Audio segment generates revenue primarily from the sale of commercial advertising to customers of the Company's stations in the following markets: Atlanta, GA, Augusta, GA, Boston, MA, Charlotte, NC, Detroit, MI, Fayetteville, NC, Fort Myers-Naples, FL, Las Vegas, NV, Middlesex, NJ, Monmouth, NJ, Morristown, NJ, Philadelphia, PA, and Tampa-Saint Petersburg, FL. The Digital segment generates revenue primarily from the sale of digital advertising to customers of the Company's stations and other advertisers throughout the United States. Corporate expenses includes general and administrative expenses and certain other income and expense items not allocated to the operating segments. Non-operating corporate items, including interest expense and income taxes, are reported in the accompanying consolidated statements of comprehensive loss.

Reportable segment information for the year ended December 31, 2023 is as follows:

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	Audio	Digital	Other	Corporate	Total
Net revenue					
	\$ 199,481,868	\$ 45,417,296	\$ 2,210,094	\$ —	\$ 247,109,258
Operating expenses					
	163,608,414	40,844,592	3,794,215	—	208,247,221
Corporate expenses					
	—	—	—	18,246,731	18,246,731
Depreciation and amortization					
	7,013,118	188,790	770,029	837,406	8,809,343
Impairment losses					
	99,797,025	—	—	—	99,797,025
Extinguishment of franchise fee			(		(
	—	—	6,000,000	—	6,000,000
Operating income (loss)	(	—	)	(	(
	\$ 70,936,689	\$ 4,383,914	\$ 3,645,850	\$ 19,084,137	\$ 81,991,062

	Audio	Digital	Other	Corporate	Total
Capital expenditures					
	\$ 3,901,609	\$ 13,184	\$ 25,534	\$ 249,227	\$ 4,189,554

Reportable segment information for the year ended December 31, 2022 is as follows:

	Audio	Digital	Other	Corporate	Total
Net revenue					
	\$ 213,036,307	\$ 40,755,164	\$ 2,589,547	\$ —	\$ 256,381,018
Operating expenses					
	173,011,492	36,398,687	3,825,884	—	213,236,063
Corporate expenses					
	—	—	—	18,001,359	18,001,359
Depreciation and amortization					
	6,277,953	102,402	2,772,489	767,702	9,920,546
Impairment losses					
	38,594,470	—	14,280,000	—	52,874,470
Gain on exchange	(				(
	3,350,539	—	—	—	3,350,539

Operating income (loss)	(	(	(	(	(
	1,497,069	4,254,075	18,288,826	18,769,061	34,300,881
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$

	Audio	Digital	Other	Corporate	Total
Capital expenditures					
	13,160,276	58,300	59,084	401,651	13,679,311
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$

Reportable segment information as of December 31, 2023 is as follows:

	Audio	Digital	Other	Corporate	Total
Property and equipment, net					
	48,324,618	95,003	74,081	2,981,052	51,474,754
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$

FCC licenses					
	393,006,900	—	—	—	393,006,900

Goodwill					
	—	922,000	—	—	922,000

Other intangibles, net					
	1,707,909	834,836	—	179,663	2,722,408

Reportable segment information as of December 31, 2022 is as follows:

	Audio	Digital	Other	Corporate	Total
Property and equipment, net					
	51,941,687	112,693	67,751	3,684,916	55,807,047
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$

FCC licenses					
	487,249,798	—	—	—	487,249,798

Goodwill					
	10,582,360	922,000	1,761,100	—	13,265,460

Other intangibles, net					
	1,841,001	992,752	5,206,523	179,663	8,219,939

**BEASLEY BROADCAST GROUP, INC.**  
**CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENT SCHEDULE**  
**VALUATION AND QUALIFYING ACCOUNTS**  
**Years ended December 31, 2022 and 2023**

<b>Description</b>	<b>Balance at Beginning of Period</b>	<b>Charged to Costs and Expenses</b>	<b>Deductions</b>	<b>Balance at End of Period</b>
Year ended December 31, 2022:				
Valuation allowance for deferred tax assets				
	305,043	—	5,121	299,922
Year ended December 31, 2023:				
Valuation allowance for deferred tax assets				
	299,922	—	3,742	296,180

## ITEM 9. CHANGES IN AND DISAGREEMENTS WITH ACCOUNTANTS ON ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

None.

### ITEM 9A. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

#### Conclusion Regarding the Effectiveness of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

We maintain disclosure controls and procedures that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in our Exchange Act reports is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms, and that such information is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate, to allow for timely decisions regarding required disclosure. In designing and evaluating the disclosure controls and procedures, management recognized that any controls and procedures, no matter how well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable assurance of achieving the desired control objectives, and management necessarily was required to apply its judgment in evaluating the cost-benefit relationship of possible controls and procedures.

As required by Rule 13a-15(b) of the Exchange Act, we carried out an evaluation, under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined by Exchange Act Rule 13a-15(e)). Based upon the foregoing, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that the Company's disclosure controls and procedures were effective at the reasonable assurance level as of December 31, 2023, the end of the period covered by this report.

#### Management's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

Internal control over financial reporting refers to the process designed by, or under the supervision of, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, and effected by our board of directors, management and other personnel, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and includes those policies and procedures that:

- (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that in reasonable detail accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the Company;
- (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the Company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of managements and directors of the Company; and
- (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use or disposition of the Company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Internal control over financial reporting cannot provide absolute assurance of achieving financial reporting objectives because of its inherent limitations. Internal control over financial reporting is a process that involves human diligence and compliance and is subject to lapses in judgment and breakdowns resulting from human failures. Internal control over financial reporting also can be circumvented by collusion or improper management override. Because of such limitations, there is a risk that material misstatements may not be prevented or detected on a timely basis by internal control over financial reporting. However, these inherent limitations are known features of the financial reporting process. Therefore, it is possible to design into the process safeguards to reduce, though not eliminate, this risk.

Management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting for the Company. Management has used the framework set forth in the 2013 report entitled "Internal Control - Integrated Framework" published by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations ("COSO") of the Treadway Commission to evaluate the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Management has concluded that the Company's internal control over financial reporting was effective as of the end of the most recent fiscal year.

This annual report does not include an attestation report of the Company's registered public accounting firm regarding internal control over financial reporting. Management's report was not subject to attestation by the Company's registered public accounting firm pursuant to Section 404(c) of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act that permits the Company to provide only management's report in this annual report.

There has been no change in our internal control over financial reporting during the Company's fourth fiscal quarter of 2023 that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

**ITEM 9B. OTHER INFORMATION**

During the three months ended December 31, 2023, no director or officer of the Company adopted or terminated a "Rule 10b5-1 trading arrangement" or "non-Rule 10b5-1 trading arrangement," as each term is defined in Item 408 of Regulation S-K.

**ITEM 9C. DISCLOSURE REGARDING FOREIGN JURISDICTIONS THAT PREVENT INSPECTIONS**

Not Applicable.

## **PART III**

### **ITEM 10. DIRECTORS, EXECUTIVE OFFICERS AND CORPORATE GOVERNANCE**

The information relating to directors and executive officers required by this Item 10 is incorporated in this report by reference to the information set forth under the captions "Proposal No. 1: Election of Directors," "The Board of Directors and its Committees" and "Executive Officers" in our Definitive Proxy Statement for our 2024 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, which will be filed with the SEC no later than April 29, 2024 ("2024 Proxy Statement"). If applicable, the information required by this item regarding compliance by our directors and executive officers with Section 16(a) of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, is incorporated in this report by reference to the information set forth under the caption "Delinquent Section 16(a) Reports" in our 2024 Proxy Statement. The information relating to our Code of Business Conduct and Ethics is incorporated in this report by reference to the information set forth under the caption "Code of Business Conduct and Ethics" in our 2024 Proxy Statement.

### **ITEM 11. EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION**

The information required by this Item 11 is incorporated in this report by reference to the information set forth under the caption "Executive Compensation" in our 2024 Proxy Statement.

### **ITEM 12. SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL OWNERS AND MANAGEMENT AND RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS**

The information required by this Item 12 is incorporated in this report by reference to the information set forth under the caption "Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management and Related Stockholder Matters" in our 2024 Proxy Statement.

### **ITEM 13. CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND RELATED TRANSACTIONS, AND DIRECTOR INDEPENDENCE**

The information required by this Item 13 is incorporated in this report by reference to the information set forth under the captions "Certain Relationships and Related Transactions" and "The Board of Directors and its Committees" in our 2024 Proxy Statement.

### **ITEM 14. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTANT FEES AND SERVICES**

The information required by this Item 14 is incorporated in this report by reference to the information set forth under the caption "Audit Fees, Other Fees and Services of Independent Registered Public Accountants" in our 2024 Proxy Statement.

PART IV

ITEM 15. EXHIBIT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT SCHEDULES

(a) Financial Statements. A list of financial statements and schedules included herein is set forth in the Index to Financial Statements appearing in "ITEM 8. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY DATA."

(b) Exhibits.

Exhibit Number	Description
2.1*	<a href="#">Agreement and Plan of Merger dated July 19, 2016 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 2.1 to Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K filed July 20, 2016).</a>
3.1	<a href="#">Amended and restated certificate of incorporation of Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K filed May 25, 2012).</a>
3.2	<a href="#">Fourth amended and restated bylaws of Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 to Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K filed January 25, 2018).</a>
4.1	<a href="#">Description of securities registered pursuant to Section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc.'s Annual Report on Form 10-K filed February 21, 2020).</a>
4.2	<a href="#">Indenture, dated as of February 2, 2021, by and among the Issuer, the guarantors named therein and Wilmington Trust, National Association, as trustee and collateral agent (including the form of Note) (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K filed February 2, 2021).</a>
10.1	<a href="#">Promissory Note between Beasley Mezzanine Holdings, LLC and Synovus Bank dated March 1, 2021 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K filed March 5, 2021).</a>
10.2	<a href="#">Investor Rights Agreement dated November 1, 2016 between the Company, certain stockholders affiliated with the Beasley family and the former stockholders of Greater Media (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K filed November 4, 2016).</a>
10.3	<a href="#">Registration Rights Agreement dated November 1, 2016 between the Company, BFTW LLC and the former stockholders of Greater Media (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K dated November 4, 2016).</a>
10.4**	<a href="#">The 2000 Equity Plan of Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.13 to Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc.'s Amendment No. 3 to Registration Statement on Form S-1/A filed February 11, 2000. (File No. 333-91683)).</a>
10.5**	<a href="#">First amendment to the 2000 Equity Plan of Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc.'s Registration Statement on Form S-8 filed May 27, 2004 (File No. 333-115930)).</a>
10.6**	<a href="#">The Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc. 2007 Equity Incentive Award Plan (incorporated by reference to Appendix A to Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc.'s Definitive Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A filed April 27, 2007).</a>
10.7**	<a href="#">Executive employment agreement by and between Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc. and Caroline Beasley dated as of September 20, 2021 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K filed on September 24, 2021).</a>
10.8**	<a href="#">Executive employment agreement by and between Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc. and Bruce Beasley dated as of September 20, 2021 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K filed on September 24, 2021).</a>
10.9**	<a href="#">Executive employment agreement by and between Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc. and Brian Beasley dated as of September 20, 2021 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K filed on September 24, 2021).</a>
10.10**	<a href="#">Executive employment agreement by and between Beasley Mezzanine Holdings, LLC and Marie Tedesco dated as of September 20, 2021 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.4 to Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K filed on September 24, 2021).</a>
10.11**	<a href="#">Performance incentive plan of Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Appendix A to Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc.'s Definitive Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A filed April 11, 2012).</a>



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- 21.1 [Subsidiaries of the Company.](#)
- 23.1 [Consent of Crowe LLP.](#)
- 31.1 [Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Rule 15d-14\(a\) \(17 CFR 240.15d-14\(a\)\).](#)
- 31.2 [Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Rule 15d-14\(a\) \(17 CFR 240.15d-14\(a\)\).](#)
- 32.1\*\*\* [Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Rule 15d-14\(b\) \(17 CFR 240.15d-14\(b\)\) and 18 U.S.C. Section 1350.](#)
- 32.2\*\*\* [Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Rule 15d-14\(b\) \(17 CFR 240.15d-14\(b\)\) and 18 U.S.C. Section 1350.](#)
- 97.1 [Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc. Policy for Recovery of Erroneously Awarded Compensation.](#)
- 101.INS XBRL Instance Document – the instance document does not appear in the Interactive Data File because its XBRL tags are embedded within the Inline XBRL document.
- 101.SCH XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema With Embedded Linkbase Documents.
- 104 Cover Page Interactive Data File (formatted as inline XBRL and contained in Exhibit 101)

\* Schedules and exhibits have been omitted pursuant to Item 601(b)(2) of Regulation S-K. The Company hereby undertakes to furnish supplementally copies of any of the omitted schedules and exhibits upon request by the SEC.

\*\* Indicates a management contract or compensatory plan or arrangement required to be filed as an exhibit to this report.

\*\*\* This exhibit shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and is not incorporated by reference into any filing of the Company, whether made before or after the date hereof, regardless of any general incorporation language in such filing.

## **ITEM 16. FORM 10-K SUMMARY**

None.

**SIGNATURES**

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

**BEASLEY BROADCAST GROUP, INC.**

**By:** /s/ CAROLINE BEASLEY

Caroline Beasley  
Chief Executive Officer

**Date:** February 16, 2024

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

Signature	Title	Date
<u>/s/ CAROLINE BEASLEY</u> Caroline Beasley	Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer (principal executive officer)	February 16, 2024
<u>/s/ BRUCE G. BEASLEY</u> Bruce G. Beasley	President and Director	February 16, 2024
<u>/s/ BRIAN E. BEASLEY</u> Brian E. Beasley	Chief Operating Officer and Director	February 16, 2024
<u>/s/ MARIE TEDESCO</u> Marie Tedesco	Chief Financial Officer (principal financial and accounting officer)	February 16, 2024
<u>/s/ PETER A. BORDES</u> Peter A. Bordes	Director	February 16, 2024
<u>/s/ MICHAEL J. FIORILE</u> Michael J. Fiorile	Director	February 16, 2024
<u>/s/ LESLIE V. GODRIDGE</u> Leslie V. Godridge	Director	February 16, 2024
<u>/s/ GORDON H. SMITH</u> Gordon H. Smith	Director	February 16, 2024
<u>/s/ CHARLES M. WARFIELD</u> Charles M. Warfield	Director	February 16, 2024

Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc.  
Subsidiaries  
(State of incorporation)

Beasley Mezzanine Holdings, LLC (DE)  
Beasley Media Group, LLC (DE)  
Beasley Media Group Licenses, LLC (DE)  
OutlawsXP, Inc. (DE)

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**CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM**

We consent to the incorporation by reference in the Registration Statements on Form S-8 (File Nos. 333-219214, 333-145455, 333-115930, and 333-40806) of Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc. of our report dated February 16, 2024 relating to the consolidated financial statements appearing in this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

/s/ Crowe LLP

Fort Lauderdale, Florida  
February 16, 2024

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**Certification of Chief Executive Officer  
Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002**

I, Caroline Beasley, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this annual report on Form 10-K of Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Dated: February 16, 2024

/s/ Caroline Beasley  
Title: Chief Executive Officer

**Certification of Chief Financial Officer  
Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002**

I, Marie Tedesco, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this annual report on Form 10-K of Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Dated: February 16, 2024

/s/ Marie Tedesco  
Title: Chief Financial Officer

**Certification of Chief Executive Officer**

Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1350, as created by Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, the undersigned officer of Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc. (the "Company") hereby certifies to such officer's knowledge that:

- (i) the accompanying Annual Report on Form 10-K of the Company for the year ended December 31, 2023 (the "Report") fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or Section 15(d), as applicable, of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended; and
- (ii) the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Dated: February 16, 2024

/s/ Caroline Beasley  
Caroline Beasley  
Chief Executive Officer

The foregoing certification is being furnished solely to accompany the Report pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1350, and is not being filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and is not to be incorporated by reference into any filing of the Company, whether made before or after the date hereof, regardless of any general incorporation language in such filing.

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**Certification of Chief Financial Officer**

Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1350, as created by Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, the undersigned officer of Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc. (the "Company") hereby certifies to such officer's knowledge that:

- (i) the accompanying Annual Report on Form 10-K of the Company for the year ended December 31, 2023 (the "Report") fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or Section 15(d), as applicable, of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended; and
- (ii) the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Dated: February 16, 2024

/s/ Marie Tedesco  
Marie Tedesco  
Chief Financial Officer

The foregoing certification is being furnished solely to accompany the Report pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1350, and is not being filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and is not to be incorporated by reference into any filing of the Company, whether made before or after the date hereof, regardless of any general incorporation language in such filing.

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## BEASLEY BROADCAST GROUP, INC.

## POLICY FOR RECOVERY OF ERRONEOUSLY AWARDED COMPENSATION

Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc. (the "**Company**") has adopted this Policy for Recovery of Erroneously Awarded Compensation (the "**Policy**"), effective as of October 2, 2023 (the "**Effective Date**"). Capitalized terms used in this Policy but not otherwise defined herein are defined in Section 11.

**1. Persons Subject to Policy**

This Policy shall apply to current and former Officers of the Company.

**2. Compensation Subject to Policy**

This Policy shall apply to Incentive-Based Compensation received on or after the Effective Date. For purposes of this Policy, the date on which Incentive-Based Compensation is "received" shall be determined under the Applicable Rules, which generally provide that Incentive-Based Compensation is "received" in the Company's fiscal period during which the relevant Financial Reporting Measure is attained or satisfied, without regard to whether the grant, vesting or payment of the Incentive-Based Compensation occurs after the end of that period.

**3. Recovery of Compensation**

In the event that the Company is required to prepare a Restatement, the Company shall recover, reasonably promptly, the portion of any Incentive-Based Compensation that is Erroneously Awarded Compensation, unless the Committee has determined that recovery would be Impracticable. Recovery shall be required in accordance with the preceding sentence regardless of whether the applicable Officer engaged in misconduct or otherwise caused or contributed to the requirement for the Restatement and regardless of whether or when restated financial statements are filed by the Company. For clarity, the recovery of Erroneously Awarded Compensation under this Policy will not give rise to any person's right to voluntarily terminate employment for "good reason," or due to a "constructive termination" (or any similar term of like effect) under any plan, program or policy of or agreement with the Company or any of its affiliates.

**4. Manner of Recovery; Limitation on Duplicative Recovery**

The Committee shall, in its sole discretion, determine the manner of recovery of any Erroneously Awarded Compensation, which may include, without limitation, reduction or cancellation by the Company or an affiliate of the Company of Incentive-Based Compensation or Erroneously Awarded Compensation, reimbursement or repayment by any person subject to this Policy of the Erroneously Awarded Compensation, and, to the extent permitted by law, an offset of the Erroneously Awarded Compensation against other compensation payable by the Company or an affiliate of the Company to such person. Notwithstanding the foregoing, unless otherwise prohibited by the Applicable Rules, to the extent this Policy provides for recovery of Erroneously Awarded Compensation already recovered by the Company pursuant to Section 304 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 or Other Recovery Arrangements, the amount of Erroneously Awarded Compensation already recovered by the Company from the recipient of such Erroneously Awarded Compensation may be credited to the amount of Erroneously Awarded Compensation required to be recovered pursuant to this Policy from such person.

**5. Administration**

This Policy shall be administered, interpreted and construed by the Committee, which is authorized to make all determinations necessary, appropriate or advisable for such purpose. The Board of Directors of the Company (the

"**Board**") may re-vest in itself the authority to administer, interpret and construe this Policy in accordance with applicable law, and in such event references herein to the "Committee" shall be deemed to be references to the Board. Subject to any permitted review by the applicable national securities exchange or association pursuant to the Applicable Rules, all determinations and decisions made by the Committee pursuant to the provisions of this Policy shall be final, conclusive and binding on all persons, including the Company and its affiliates, equityholders and employees. The Committee may delegate administrative duties with respect to this Policy to one or more directors or employees of the Company, as permitted under applicable law, including any Applicable Rules.

#### **6. Interpretation**

This Policy will be interpreted and applied in a manner that is consistent with the requirements of the Applicable Rules, and to the extent this Policy is inconsistent with such Applicable Rules, it shall be deemed amended to the minimum extent necessary to ensure compliance therewith.

#### **7. No Indemnification; No Liability**

The Company shall not indemnify or insure any person against the loss of any Erroneously Awarded Compensation pursuant to this Policy, nor shall the Company directly or indirectly pay or reimburse any person for any premiums for third-party insurance policies that such person may elect to purchase to fund such person's potential obligations under this Policy. None of the Company, an affiliate of the Company or any member of the Committee or the Board shall have any liability to any person as a result of actions taken under this Policy.

#### **8. Application; Enforceability**

Except as otherwise determined by the Committee or the Board, the adoption of this Policy does not limit, and is intended to apply in addition to, any other clawback, recoupment, forfeiture or similar policies or provisions of the Company or its affiliates, including any such policies or provisions of such effect contained in any employment agreement, bonus plan, incentive plan, equity-based plan or award agreement thereunder or similar plan, program or agreement of the Company or an affiliate or required under applicable law (the "**Other Recovery Arrangements**"). The remedy specified in this Policy shall not be exclusive and shall be in addition to every other right or remedy at law or in equity that may be available to the Company or an affiliate of the Company.

#### **9. Severability**

The provisions in this Policy are intended to be applied to the fullest extent of the law; provided, however, to the extent that any provision of this Policy is found to be unenforceable or invalid under any applicable law, such provision will be applied to the maximum extent permitted, and shall automatically be deemed amended in a manner consistent with its objectives to the extent necessary to conform to any limitations required under applicable law.

#### **10. Amendment and Termination**

The Board or the Committee may amend, modify or terminate this Policy in whole or in part at any time and from time to time in its sole discretion. This Policy will terminate automatically when the Company does not have a class of securities listed on a national securities exchange or association.

#### **11. Definitions**

"**Applicable Rules**" means Section 10D of the Exchange Act, Rule 10D-1 promulgated thereunder, the listing rules of the national securities exchange or association on which the Company's securities are listed, and any applicable rules, standards or other guidance adopted by the Securities and Exchange Commission or any national securities exchange or association on which the Company's securities are listed.

**"Committee"** means the Compensation Committee of the Board, provided that, for purposes of determining whether recovery of Incentive-Based Compensation that is Erroneously Awarded Compensation would be Impracticable, "Committee" shall mean the committee of the Board responsible for executive compensation decisions comprised solely of independent directors (as determined under the Applicable Rules), or in the absence of such a committee, a majority of the independent directors serving on the Board.

**"Erroneously Awarded Compensation"** means the amount of Incentive-Based Compensation received by a current or former Officer that exceeds the amount of Incentive-Based Compensation that would have been received by such current or former Officer based on a restated Financial Reporting Measure, as determined on a pre-tax basis in accordance with the Applicable Rules.

**"Exchange Act"** means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

**"Financial Reporting Measure"** means any measure determined and presented in accordance with the accounting principles used in preparing the Company's financial statements, and any measures derived wholly or in part from such measures, including GAAP, IFRS and non-GAAP/IFRS financial measures, as well as stock or share price and total equityholder return.

**"GAAP"** means United States generally accepted accounting principles.

**"IFRS"** means international financial reporting standards as adopted by the International Accounting Standards Board.

**"Impracticable"** means (a) the direct expenses paid to third parties to assist in enforcing recovery would exceed the Erroneously Awarded Compensation; provided that the Company has (i) made reasonable attempts to recover the Erroneously Awarded Compensation, (ii) documented such attempt(s), and (iii) provided such documentation to the relevant listing exchange or association, (b) to the extent permitted by the Applicable Rules, the recovery would violate the Company's home country laws pursuant to an opinion of home country counsel; provided that the Company has (i) obtained an opinion of home country counsel, acceptable to the relevant listing exchange or association, that recovery would result in such violation, and (ii) provided such opinion to the relevant listing exchange or association, or (c) recovery would likely cause an otherwise tax-qualified retirement plan, under which benefits are broadly available to employees of the Company, to fail to meet the requirements of 26 U.S.C. 401(a)(13) or 26 U.S.C. 411(a) and the regulations thereunder.

**"Incentive-Based Compensation"** means, with respect to a Restatement, any compensation that is granted, earned, or vested based wholly or in part upon the attainment of one or more Financial Reporting Measures and received by a person: (a) after such person began service as an Officer; (b) who served as an Officer at any time during the performance period for that compensation; (c) while the Company has a class of its securities listed on a national securities exchange or association; and (d) during the applicable Three-Year Period.

**"Officer"** means each person who serves as an executive officer of the Company, as defined in Rule 10D-1(d) under the Exchange Act.

**"Restatement"** means an accounting restatement to correct the Company's material noncompliance with any financial reporting requirement under securities laws, including restatements that correct an error in previously issued financial statements (a) that is material to the previously issued financial statements or (b) that would result in a material misstatement if the error were corrected in the current period or left uncorrected in the current period.

**"Three-Year Period"** means, with respect to a Restatement, the three completed fiscal years immediately preceding the date that the Board, a committee of the Board, or the officer or officers of the Company authorized to take such action if Board action is not required, concludes, or reasonably should have concluded, that the Company is required to prepare such Restatement, or, if earlier, the date on which a court, regulator or other legally authorized body directs the Company to prepare such Restatement. The "Three-Year Period" also includes any transition period

(that results from a change in the Company's fiscal year) within or immediately following the three completed fiscal years identified in the preceding sentence. However, a transition period between the last day of the Company's previous fiscal year end and the first day of its new fiscal year that comprises a period of nine to 12 months shall be deemed a completed fiscal year.

