# UNITED STATES <br> SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION <br> Washington, D.C. 20549 

## FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934
Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): March 5, 2015 (March 5, 2015)

## GRAY TELEVISION, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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\text { Georgia } \\
\text { (State of incorporation or organization) }
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1-13796
(Commission File Number)

# 58-0285030 

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

4370 Peachtree Road, NE, Atlanta, GA 30319
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)
Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (404) 504-9828

## Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)
Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:
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$\square$ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

On March 5, 2015, Gray Television, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release reporting its financial results for the three-month period and year ended December 31, 2014. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K and incorporated herein by reference.

The information set forth under this Item 2.02 is being furnished and shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

## Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

In connection with various meetings that management of the Company expects to hold with analysts or investors on or after the date hereof, the Company has prepared a slide presentation. A copy of the slides to be used in connection with such analyst or investor meetings is furnished as Exhibit 99.2 to this Form 8-K and incorporated herein by reference.

The information set forth under this Item 7.01 is being furnished and shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

## Item 9.01

Financial Statements and Exhibits.
(d) Exhibits

| Number |  | Exhibit |
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| 99.1 |  | Press release issued by Gray Television, Inc. on March 5, 2015 |
| 99.2 | Investor Presentation Slides |  |

## SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

GRAY TELEVISION, INC.
By: /s/ James C. Ryan James C. Ryan
Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

## EXHIBIT INDEX

Number Exhibit
99.1

Press release issued by Gray Television, Inc. on March 5, 2015

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## NEWS RELEASE

## Gray Reports Record Revenue and Broadcast Cash Flow

Atlanta, Georgia - March 5, 2015. . . Gray Television, Inc. ("Gray," "we," "us" or "our") (NYSE: GTN and GTN.A) today announced results of operations for the three-month period (the "fourth quarter of 2014") and year ended December 31, 2014. Revenue and broadcast cash flow for both the fourth quarter of 2014 and the justconcluded year set new records for the Company, with annual revenue exceeding $\$ 500$ million for the first time in Gray’s history. For the fourth quarter of 2014 , this record revenue exceeded the high end of our previously issued guidance while our broadcast expenses fell within the range of our previously issued guidance.

## Highlights:

- Our record revenue for both the fourth quarter of 2014 and year ended December 31, 2014 was a result of increased revenue from our preexisting stations, as well as the addition of revenue from Acquired Stations (defined below).
- For the first time in Gray's history, annual revenue exceeded $\$ 500$ million and broadcast cash flow exceeded $\$ 200$ million. In addition, we repaid $\$ 69.9$ million of debt during the fourth quarter of 2014.
- Between October 31, 2013 and December 31, 2014, we completed ten acquisitions in which we acquired and integrated the operations of 23 television stations (the "Acquired Stations").
- We successfully renewed and extended nearly all network affiliation agreements with $\mathrm{ABC}, \mathrm{CBS}, \mathrm{NBC}, \mathrm{FOX}$ and CW covering 90 separate channels.
- During the fourth quarter of 2014, we successfully terminated all existing shared services agreements, local marketing agreements and variable interest entity arrangements while preserving for Gray all of the economic benefits previously provided under such arrangements.
- We reported record retransmission revenue for the full year 2014 of $\$ 74.9$ million on an "as reported basis" and $\$ 85.1$ million on a "Combined Historical Basis" (defined below). We now anticipate retransmission revenue will increase between approximately $94 \%$ and $98 \%$ in 2015 over 2014 on an "as reported basis" (or an increase in 2015 over 2014 of approximately $70 \%$ to $74 \%$ on a Combined Historical Basis). In addition, we now expect retransmission revenue to increase between $10 \%$ and $15 \%$ over the prior year in each of 2016 and 2017. We also currently project that our network affiliation expense will approximate fifty percent of our retransmission revenue in each of 2015, 2016, and 2017. Finally, in 2015, we anticipate that our retransmission revenue, less network affiliation expense, will increase between $24 \%$ to $27 \%$ over 2014 on a Combined Historical Basis.
- During the fourth quarter of 2014 and the first month of 2015, we successfully entered into new retransmission consent agreements with approximately 250 multichannel video programming distributors whose prior contracts expired on December 31, 2014. We do not have any retransmission consent negotiations open at this time. Furthermore, we do not have any material retransmission agreements expiring prior to December 31, 2015. For further details please see "Comments on Full Year 2015 Retransmission Revenue and Network Affiliation Expense" included herein.
- As of December 31, 2014, our total leverage ratio calculated on a trailing eight quarter basis under the terms of our senior credit facility was 6.0 .

|  | Three Months Ended December 31, |  |  |  |  | Year Ended December 31, |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2014 |  | 2013 |  | \% Change | 2014 |  | 2013 |  | \% Change |
|  |  |  |  |  | in thousands excep |  | data) |  |  |  |
| Revenue (less agency commissions): |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | \$ | 177,886 | \$ | 95,556 | 86\% | \$ | 508,134 | \$ | 346,298 | 47\% |
| Political | \$ | 48,538 | \$ | 1,829 | 2554\% | \$ | 81,975 | \$ | 4,598 | 1683\% |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Operating expenses (1): |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Broadcast | \$ | 86,386 | \$ | 58,594 | 47\% | \$ | 285,990 | \$ | 217,411 | 32\% |
| Corporate and administrative | \$ | 7,585 | \$ | 6,223 | 22\% | \$ | 29,203 | \$ | 19,810 | 47\% |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Net income | \$ | 31,253 | \$ | 5,201 | 501\% | \$ | 48,061 | \$ | 18,288 | 163\% |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Non-GAAP Cash Flow (2): |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Broadcast Cash Flow | \$ | 91,399 | \$ | 36,815 | 148\% | \$ | 220,977 | \$ | 128,234 | 72\% |
| Broadcast Cash Flow Less |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cash Corporate Expenses | \$ | 84,540 | \$ | 30,847 | 174\% | \$ | 195,306 | \$ | 110,398 | 77\% |
| Free Cash Flow | \$ | 53,596 | \$ | 12,544 | 327\% | \$ | 95,240 | \$ | 39,153 | 143\% |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Free Cash Flow Per Share: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Basic | \$ | 0.93 | \$ | 0.22 |  | \$ | 1.65 | \$ | 0.68 |  |
| Diluted | \$ | 0.92 | \$ | 0.22 |  | \$ | 1.63 | \$ | 0.68 |  |

## Combined Historical Basis

|  | Years Ended December 31, |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2014 |  | 2013 |  | 2012 |  |
|  | (in millions except per share data) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Revenue (less agency commissions): |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | \$ | 571.9 | \$ | 472.6 | \$ | 555.7 |
| Political | \$ | 85.5 | \$ | 6.1 | \$ | 118.0 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Broadcast Operating Expenses (1) | \$ | 322.8 | \$ | 295.0 | \$ | 292.3 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Non-GAAP Cash Flow (2) (3): |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Broadcast Cash Flow | \$ | 251.1 | \$ | 178.6 | \$ | 262.6 |
| Broadcast Cash Flow Less Cash Corporate Expenses | \$ | 224.0 | \$ | 157.5 | \$ | 245.0 |
| Operating Cash Flow as defined in the Gray senior credit facility | \$ | 229.3 | \$ | 171.5 | \$ | 254.0 |
| Free Cash Flow | \$ | 123.5 | \$ | 70.5 | \$ | 151.1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Free Cash Flow Per Share Data: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Basic | \$ | 2.13 | \$ | 1.22 | \$ | 2.64 |
| Diluted | \$ | 2.12 | \$ | 1.22 | \$ | 2.64 |

(1) Excludes depreciation, amortization and loss on disposal of assets.
(2) See definition of non-GAAP terms and a reconciliation of the non-GAAP amounts to net income included elsewhere herein.
(3) See the reconciliation of the non-GAAP amounts to net income on the Gray website, www.gray.tv included in the March 2015 Gray Investor Presentation under "Investor Relations - Presentations" or see the 8-K filed March 5, 2015 which includes the March 2015 Gray Investor Presentation.

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## Comments on Results of Operations for the Fourth Quarter of 2014:

## Revenue As Reported.

Total revenue increased $\$ 82.3$ million, or $86 \%$, to $\$ 177.9$ million for the fourth quarter of 2014 compared to the fourth quarter of 2013 . For the fourth quarters of 2014 and 2013, the Acquired Stations accounted for approximately $\$ 47.5$ million and $\$ 2.9$ million of our total revenue, respectively.

The components of our revenue for the fourth quarter of 2014 compared to the fourth quarter of 2013 were as follows:

- Local advertising revenue increased $\$ 19.0$ million, or $33 \%$, to $\$ 76.0$ million.
- National advertising revenue increased $\$ 4.4$ million, or $27 \%$, to $\$ 20.6$ million.
- Local and national advertising revenue combined increased $\$ 23.4$ million, or $32 \%$, to $\$ 96.6$ million.
- Internet advertising revenue increased $\$ 0.6$ million, or $8 \%$, to $\$ 7.6$ million.
- Political advertising revenue increased $\$ 46.7$ million, or $2554 \%$, to $\$ 48.5$ million.
- Retransmission consent revenue increased $\$ 9.9$ million, or $87 \%$, to $\$ 21.4$ million.
- Other revenue increased $\$ 1.7$ million, or $88 \%$, to $\$ 3.7$ million.

Political advertising revenue increased due to increased advertising by political candidates and special interest groups in the "on year" of the two-year election cycle. Retransmission consent revenue increased primarily due to increased subscriber rates.

Strong demand for our advertising inventory from political advertisers required significant use of available inventory, which in turn lowered advertising revenue from our non-political advertising revenue categories in the even numbered "on year" of the two-year election cycle. Excluding revenue attributable to the Acquired Stations and political advertisers, our five largest advertising categories on a combined local and national basis by customer type demonstrated the following changes in revenue during the fourth quarter of 2014 compared to the fourth quarter of 2013:

- automotive decreased 4\%;
- medical decreased 9\%;
- restaurant increased $4 \%$;
- communications decreased $21 \%$; and
- furniture and appliances decreased $16 \%$.


## Revenue on a Combined Historical Basis.

In order to provide more meaningful period over period comparisons, we also present herein certain historical revenue and broadcast expense information on a "Combined Historical Basis." Combined Historical Basis reflects financial results that have been prepared by adding Gray's historical revenue and broadcast expenses with the historical revenue and broadcast expenses of each of the Acquired Stations from January 1, 2013 (the beginning of the earliest period presented), but it does not include any adjustments for other events attributable to the acquisitions except that "Combined Historical Free Cash Flow" does give effect to any financings related to the Acquired Stations as if the financing occurred at the beginning of the relevant period.

On a Combined Historical Basis, total revenue increased $\$ 49.2$ million, or $38 \%$, to $\$ 177.9$ million in the fourth quarter of 2014 as compared to the fourth quarter of 2013 ,

On a Combined Historical Basis, the components of revenue for the fourth quarter of 2014 compared to the fourth quarter of 2013 were approximately as follows:

- Local advertising revenue decreased $\$ 1.0$ million, or $1 \%$, to $\$ 76.0$ million.

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- National advertising revenue decreased $\$ 0.5$ million, or $2 \%$, to $\$ 20.6$ million.
- Local and national advertising revenue combined decreased $\$ 1.5$ million, or $2 \%$, to $\$ 96.6$ million reflecting, in part, the strong demand on advertising inventory from political advertisers.
- Internet advertising revenue decreased $\$ 0.1$ million, or $2 \%$, to $\$ 7.6$ million.
- Political advertising revenue increased $\$ 45.8$ million, or $1693 \%$, to $\$ 48.5$ million.
- Retransmission consent revenue increased $\$ 5.5$ million, or $34 \%$, to $\$ 21.4$ million.
- Other revenue decreased $\$ 0.5$ million, or $11 \%$, to $\$ 3.7$ million.


## Broadcast Operating Expenses As Reported.

Broadcast expenses (before depreciation, amortization and loss on disposal of assets) increased $\$ 27.8$ million, or $47 \%$, to $\$ 86.4$ million for the fourth quarter of 2014 compared to the fourth quarter of 2013. For the fourth quarters of 2014 and 2013, the Acquired Stations accounted for approximately $\$ 22.4$ million and $\$ 1.6$ million of our total broadcast expenses, respectively.

- Compensation expense increased $\$ 11.6$ million due primarily to the net of the following:
- Salary expense increased $\$ 8.6$ million resulting primarily from the addition of personnel at the Acquired Stations.
- Incentive compensation increased $\$ 1.1$ million.
- Healthcare costs increased \$1.0 million reflecting increased claim activity and the addition of personnel at the Acquired Stations.
- Non-cash stock-based compensation increased \$0.3 million. Broadcast non-cash stock-based compensation expense increased due to a restricted stock grant in 2014.
- Pension expense decreased $\$ 0.6$ million.
- Non-compensation expense increased $\$ 16.2$ million due primarily to the following:
- Network affiliation fees increased $\$ 4.1$ million reflecting in part, increased fees payable to the ABC network under our affiliation agreements that renewed effective January 1, 2014.
- National sales representation fees increased $\$ 2.6$ million due to commissions paid on increased revenue.
- Repairs and maintenance, bad debt expense, syndicated programming costs, utilities, consulting fees expense and other professional fees also increased as a result of the inclusion of the Acquired Stations.


## Broadcast Operating Expenses on a Combined Historical Basis.

On a Combined Historical Basis, broadcast expenses (before depreciation, amortization and loss on disposal of assets) increased $\$ 9.2$ million, or $12 \%$, to $\$ 86.4$ million in the fourth quarter of 2014 as compared to the fourth quarter of 2013. The increase reflects, in part, the following:

- Incentive compensation increased approximately $\$ 0.9$ million.
- Non-cash stock-based compensation increased approximately $\$ 0.3$ million. Broadcast non-cash stock-based compensation expense increased due to a restricted stock grant in 2014.
- Network affiliation fees increased approximately $\$ 2.5$ million reflecting in part, increased fees payable to the ABC network under our affiliation agreements that renewed effective January 1, 2014.
- National sales representation fees increased approximately $\$ 2.3$ million due to commissions paid on increased revenue.


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## Corporate and Administrative Operating Expenses As Reported.

Corporate and administrative expenses (before depreciation, amortization and loss on disposal of assets) increased $\$ 1.4$ million, or $22 \%$, to $\$ 7.6$ million in the fourth quarter of 2014 as compared to the fourth quarter of 2013. The increase reflects, in part, the following:

- Compensation expense increased $\$ 1.6$ million primarily due to increases in incentive compensation, relocation costs, non-cash stock-based compensation and routine increases in salary expense.
- Non-compensation expense decreased $\$ 0.2$ million primarily due to a decrease in legal fees related to acquisitions completed in the fourth quarter of 2013 offset, in part, by increases in taxes from the Affordable Care Act and transportation expenses.


## Comments on Results of Operations for the Year Ended December 31, 2014:

## Revenue as Reported.

Total revenue increased $\$ 161.8$ million, or $47 \%$, to $\$ 508.1$ million for the year ended December 31, 2014 compared to the year ended December 31, 2013. For the year ended December 31, 2014 and 2013, the Acquired Stations accounted for approximately $\$ 88.2$ million and $\$ 2.9$ million of our total revenue, respectively.

The components of our revenue for the year ended December 31, 2014 compared to the year ended December 31, 2013 were as follows:

- Local advertising revenue increased $\$ 42.7$ million, or $21 \%$, to $\$ 245.8$ million.
- National advertising revenue increased $\$ 6.7$ million, or $11 \%$, to $\$ 65.0$ million
- Local and national advertising revenue combined increased $\$ 49.4$ million, or $19 \%$, to $\$ 310.7$ million.
- Internet advertising revenue increased $\$ 2.8$ million, or $11 \%$, to $\$ 28.2$ million.
- Political advertising revenue increased $\$ 77.4$ million, or $1683 \%$, to $\$ 82.0$ million.
- Retransmission consent revenue increased $\$ 35.1$ million, or $88 \%$, to $\$ 74.9$ million.
- Other revenue increased $\$ 4.3$ million, or $53 \%$, to $\$ 12.3$ million.
- Consulting revenue decreased $\$ 7.1$ million to $\$ 0.0$ million.

Political advertising revenue reflected increased advertising by political candidates and special interest groups during the "on year" of the two-year political advertising cycle. Retransmission consent revenue increased primarily due to increased subscriber rates. Local and national advertising revenue in the year ended December 31,2014 benefited from approximately $\$ 3.8$ million earned from the broadcast of the 2014 Winter Olympic Games on our then fourteen NBC affiliated stations. Local and national advertising revenue included the broadcast of the 2014 Super Bowl on our then five FOX channels, from which we earned approximately $\$ 0.2$ million, a decrease of approximately $\$ 0.9$ million compared to the broadcast of the 2013 Super Bowl on our then 20 CBS channels from which we earned approximately $\$ 1.1$ million. During the year ended December 31, 2013, we recognized a one-time payment of $\$ 7.1$ million as incentive consulting revenue associated with a now-expired consulting agreement. We did not recognize any consulting revenue in the year ended December 31, 2014.

Strong demand for our advertising inventory from political advertisers required significant use of available inventory, which in turn lowered advertising revenue from our non-political advertising revenue categories in the even numbered "on year" of the two-year election cycle. Excluding revenue attributable to the Acquired Stations and political advertisers, our five largest advertising categories on a combined local and national basis by customer type demonstrated the following changes in revenue during the year ended December 31, 2014 compared to the year ended December 31, 2013:

- automotive increased 2\%;

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- medical increased $1 \%$;
- restaurant decreased $7 \%$;
- communications decreased $11 \%$; and
- furniture and appliances decreased $11 \%$.


## Revenue on a Combined Historical Basis.

On a Combined Historical Basis, total revenue increased $\$ 99.3$ million, or $21 \%$, to $\$ 571.9$ million for the year ended December 31 , 2014 compared to the year ended December 31, 2013.
 follows:

- Local advertising revenue increased \$3.2 million, or 1\%, to \$281.2 million.
- National advertising revenue decreased $\$ 4.8$ million, or $6 \%$, to $\$ 73.4$ million.
- Local and national advertising revenue combined decreased \$1.6 million, or approximately $0 \%$, to \$354.6 million reflecting, in part, the strong demand on advertising inventory from political advertisers.
- Internet advertising revenue increased \$1.4 million, or 5\%, to \$29.5 million.
- Political advertising revenue increased $\$ 79.4$ million, or $1291 \%$, to $\$ 85.5$ million.
- Retransmission consent revenue increased $\$ 28.0$ million, or $49 \%$, to $\$ 85.1$ million.
- Other revenue decreased $\$ 0.8$ million, or $4 \%$, to $\$ 17.2$ million.
- Consulting revenue decreased $\$ 7.1$ million to $\$ 0.0$ million.


## Broadcast Operating Expenses As Reported.

Broadcast expenses (before depreciation, amortization and loss on disposal of assets) increased $\$ 68.6$ million, or $32 \%$, to $\$ 286.0$ million for the year ended December 31 ,
 $\$ 1.6$ million of our total broadcast expenses, respectively.

- Compensation expense increased $\$ 28.1$ million due primarily to the net of the following:
- Non-cash paid-time-off increased $\$ 3.9$ million reflecting a non-recurring increase due to a change in our employee benefit policy.
- Salary expense increased $\$ 24.8$ million resulting primarily from the addition of personnel at the Acquired Stations.
- Healthcare costs increased $\$ 2.1$ million reflecting increased claim activity and the addition of personnel at the Acquired Stations.
- Non-cash stock-based compensation increased \$1.5 million due to a restricted stock grant in 2014
- Pension expense decreased $\$ 2.5$ million
- Non-compensation expense increased $\$ 37.7$ million due primarily to the net of the following:
- Network affiliation fees increased $\$ 12.0$ million reflecting, in part, increased fees payable to the ABC network under our affiliation agreements that renewed effective January 1, 2014.
- National sales representation fees increased $\$ 4.4$ million due to commissions paid on increased revenue.

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- Programming costs, software license fees, other professional fees, consulting fees, utilities, news service expense, repairs and maintenance, bad debt expense, rent, insurance and property taxes also increased as a result of the inclusion of the Acquired Stations.


## Broadcast Operating Expenses on a Combined Historical Basis.

On a Combined Historical Basis, broadcast expenses (before depreciation, amortization and loss on disposal of assets) increased $\$ 27.8$ million, or $9 \%$, to $\$ 322.8$ million for the year ended December 31, 2014 compared to the year ended December 31, 2013. This increase reflects in part the following:

- Non-cash paid-time-off increased approximately $\$ 3.9$ million reflecting a non-recurring, non-cash increase in expense for paid-time-off due to a change in our employee benefit policy.
- Incentive compensation increased approximately $\$ 1.3$ million.
- Healthcare costs increased approximately $\$ 0.8$ million reflecting increased claim activity.
- Non-cash stock-based compensation increased approximately $\$ 1.5$ million. Broadcast non-cash stock-based compensation expense increased due a restricted stock grant in 2014.
- Pension expense decreased approximately $\$ 2.5$ million.
- Network affiliation fees increased approximately $\$ 10.2$ million reflecting, in part, increased fees payable to the ABC network under our affiliation agreements that renewed effective January 1, 2014.
- National sales representation fees increased approximately $\$ 4.0$ million due to commissions paid on increased revenue.


## Corporate and Administrative Operating Expenses As Reported.

Corporate and administrative expenses (before depreciation, amortization and loss on disposal of assets) increased $\$ 9.4$ million, or $47 \%$, to $\$ 29.2$ million for the year ended December 31, 2014 compared to the year ended December 31, 2013. This increase reflects in part the following:

- Non-compensation expense increased $\$ 6.0$ million primarily due to increases of $\$ 5.3$ million in legal and other professional fees associated with our acquisitions. Legal and other professional fees associated with our acquisitions for the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013 were $\$ 6.2$ million and $\$ 1.0$ million, respectively.
- Compensation expense increased $\$ 3.4$ million primarily due to increases in non-cash stock-based compensation, incentive compensation and routine increases in salary expense.


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## Gray Television, Inc. <br> Selected Operating Data (Unaudited)

(in thousands except for net income per share data)

|  |  | Three Months Ended <br> December 31, | 2014 |
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## Gray Television, Inc.

## Selected Operating Data (Unaudited)

(in thousands except for net income per share data)

|  |  | Year Ended <br> December 31, |  |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | :--- |

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|  | December 31, 2014 |  | December 31, 2013 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | (in thousands) |  |  |  |
| Cash | \$ | 30,769 | \$ | 13,478 |
| Long-term debt including current portion | \$ | 1,236,401 | \$ | 842,874 |
| Borrowing availability under our senior credit facility | \$ | 50,000 | \$ | 30,000 |


|  | Year Ended December 31, |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2014 |  | 2013 |  |
|  | (in thousands) |  |  |  |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | \$ | 134,219 | \$ | 60,239 |
| Net cash used in investing activities |  | $(501,892)$ |  | $(60,527)$ |
| Net cash provided by financing activities |  | 384,964 |  | 2,699 |
| Net increase in cash | \$ | $\underline{17,291}$ | \$ | 2,411 |

## Guidance for the Quarter Ending March 31, 2015 (the "first quarter of 2015"):

We currently anticipate that our results of operations for the first quarter of 2015 will be within the ranges presented in the table below.


## Comments on First Quarter 2015 Guidance:

## First Quarter of 2015 on an "As Reported Basis."

Based on our current forecasts for the first quarter of 2015, we anticipate the following changes from the quarter ended March 31 , 2014 (the "first quarter of 2014 ") as outlined below. Our total revenue estimates for the first quarter of 2015 include approximately $\$ 33.0$ million of revenue estimated to be contributed collectively by the stations acquired since January 1, 2014 (the "2014 Acquired Stations"). For the first quarter of 2014, the 2014 Acquired Stations contributed $\$ 0.1$ million of revenue.

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## Revenue As Reported.

- We believe our first quarter of 2015 local advertising revenue, excluding political advertising revenue, will increase by approximately $31 \%$ to $34 \%$.
- We expect our first quarter of 2015 national advertising revenue, excluding political advertising revenue, will increase by approximately $30 \%$ to $33 \%$.
- We anticipate our first quarter of 2015 internet advertising revenue, excluding political advertising revenue, will increase by approximately $3 \%$ to $5 \%$.
- We believe our first quarter of 2015 retransmission consent revenue will increase by approximately $128 \%$, or $\$ 20.6$ million, to $\$ 36.7$ million.


## Operating expenses (before depreciation, amortization and gain or loss on disposal of assets) As Reported.

Our total broadcast operating expense estimates for the first quarter of 2015 include approximately $\$ 20.4$ million of broadcast operating expense estimated to be incurred collectively by the 2014 Acquired Stations. For the first quarter of 2014, the 2014 Acquired Stations contributed $\$ 0.3$ million of broadcast operating expense.

The anticipated increase in corporate and administrative expense for the first quarter 2015 compared to the first quarter of 2014 is expected to be due primarily to increases in compensation expense and other employee expenses

## First Quarter of 2015 on a "Combined Historical Basis."

Based on our current forecasts for the first quarter of 2015, we anticipate the following changes from the Combined Historical Basis first quarter of 2014 as outlined below.

## Revenue on a Combined Historical Basis:

- We believe our first quarter of 2015 total revenue will increase by approximately $9 \%$ to $10 \%$.
- We believe our first quarter of 2015 local advertising revenue, excluding political advertising revenue, will increase by approximately $2 \%$.
- We expect our first quarter of 2015 national advertising revenue, excluding political advertising revenue, will increase by approximately $2 \%$.
- We anticipate our first quarter of 2015 internet advertising revenue, excluding political advertising revenue, will approximate that of 2014.
- We believe our first quarter of 2015 political revenue will range between $\$ 0.5$ million and $\$ 0.7$ million. Our first quarter of 2014 political revenue was approximately $\$ 3.5$ million.
- We believe our first quarter of 2015 retransmission consent revenue will increase by approximately $75 \%$, $\$ 15.7$ million, to approximately $\$ 36.7$ million.


## Operating expenses (before depreciation, amortization and gain or loss on disposal of assets) on a Combined Historical Basis:

Our total broadcast operating expenses for the first quarter of 2015 are anticipated to increase from the first quarter of 2014 on a Combined Historical Basis by approximately $\$ 12.0$ million. This increase primarily reflects expected increases of $\$ 11.6$ million in network affiliation expense to $\$ 17.5$ million for the first quarter of 2015 .

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## Comments on Full Year 2015 Retransmission Revenue and Network Affiliation Expense:

We recorded retransmission revenue for the full year 2014 of $\$ 74.9$ million on an "as reported basis" and $\$ 85.1$ million on a "Combined Historical Basis" as defined herein. We now anticipate retransmission revenue will increase between approximately $94 \%$ and $98 \%$ in 2015 over 2014 on an "as reported basis" or an increase in 2015 over 2014 of approximately $70 \%$ to $74 \%$ on a Combined Historical Basis. We also currently project that our network affiliation expense will approximate fifty percent of our retransmission revenue for 2015.

During the fourth quarter of 2014 and the first month of 2015, we successfully entered into new retransmission consent agreements with approximately 250 multichannel video programming distributors whose prior contracts expired on December 31, 2014. We do not have any retransmission consent negotiations open at this time. Furthermore, we do not have any material retransmission agreements expiring prior to December 31, 2015.

Based on the foregoing, we currently estimate that our aggregate retransmission revenue and network affiliation expense (a.k.a. "network reverse compensation") for the full year of 2015 will be in the approximate ranges stated below:

| $\underline{\text { Selected operating data: }}$ | Estimated Full Year 2015 Compared <br> To Full Year 2014 on a Combined Historical Basis |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\qquad$ |  | \% Change From 2014 on a Combined Historical Basis (1) | High End Guidance for 2015 |  | \% Change <br> From 2014 on a Combined Historical Basis (1) | 2014 on a Combined Historical Basis (1) |  |
|  | (dollars in thousands) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Retransmission revenue | \$ | 145,000 | 70\% | \$ | 148,000 | 74\% | \$ | 85,100 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Network affiliation expense (included in broadcast operating expense) |  | $(69,000)$ | 191\% |  | $(70,000)$ | 195\% |  | $(23,700)$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Retransmission revenue less network affiliation expense | \$ | 76,000 | 24\% | \$ | 78,000 | 27\% | \$ | 61,400 |

(1) "Combined Historical Basis" is defined herein

At this time, we currently project that our retransmission revenue will increase $10 \%$ to $15 \%$ over the preceding year in each of 2016 and 2017 . We also currently project that our estimated network affiliation expense in 2016 and 2017 will approximate fifty percent of our estimated retransmission revenue for 2016 and 2017.

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## Revenue (less agency commissions) by Category-As Reported:

The tables below presents our revenue (less agency commissions) or "net revenue" by type for the three-month periods and years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively (dollars in thousands):

|  | Three Months Ended December 31, |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2014 |  |  | 2013 |  |  |
|  | Amount |  | Percent of Total | Amount |  | Percent of Total |
| Revenue (less agency commissions): |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Local | \$ | 76,017 | 42.7\% | \$ | 57,036 | 59.7\% |
| National |  | 20,626 | 11.6\% |  | 16,237 | 17.0\% |
| Internet |  | 7,569 | 4.3\% |  | 6,988 | 7.3\% |
| Political |  | 48,538 | 27.3\% |  | 1,829 | 1.9\% |
| Retransmission consent |  | 21,444 | 12.1\% |  | 11,497 | 12.0\% |
| Other |  | 3,692 | 2.0\% |  | 1,969 | 2.1\% |
| Total | \$ | 177,886 | 100.0\% | \$ | 95,556 | 100.0\% |
|  | Three Months Ended December 31, |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | 20 |  |
|  |  | unt | Percent of Total |  | unt | Percent of Total |
| Broadcasting net revenues: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Local | \$ | 76,017 | 42.7\% | \$ | 77,042 | 59.9\% |
| National |  | 20,626 | 11.6\% |  | 21,109 | 16.4\% |
| Internet |  | 7,569 | 4.3\% |  | 7,698 | 6.0\% |
| Political |  | 48,538 | 27.3\% |  | 2,707 | 2.1\% |
| Retransmission consent |  | 21,445 | 12.1\% |  | 15,984 | 12.4\% |
| Other |  | 3,690 | 2.0\% |  | 4,156 | 3.2\% |
| Total | \$ | 177,885 | 100.0\% | \$ | 128,696 | 100.0\% |

The aggregate internet revenues presented above are derived from: (i) direct internet revenue and (ii) internet-related commercial time sales.

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## Non-GAAP Terms

From time to time, Gray supplements its financial results prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP") by disclosing the non-GAAP financial measures Broadcast Cash Flow, Broadcast Cash Flow Less Cash Corporate Expenses, operating cash flow as defined in Gray's credit facility ("Operating Cash Flow") and Free Cash Flow. These non-GAAP amounts are used by us to approximate the amount used to calculate a key financial performance covenant contained in our debt agreements.

Broadcast Cash Flow is defined as net income plus corporate and administrative expenses, loss from early extinguishment of debt, broadcast non-cash stock based compensation, depreciation and amortization (including amortization of intangible assets and program broadcast rights), any loss on disposal of assets, any miscellaneous expense, interest expense, any income tax expense, non-cash $401(\mathrm{k})$ expense, less any gain on disposal of assets, any miscellaneous income, any income tax benefits, payments for program broadcast obligations and network compensation revenue.

Broadcast Cash Flow Less Cash Corporate Expense is defined as net income plus loss from early extinguishment of debt, non-cash stock based compensation, depreciation and amortization (including amortization of intangible assets and program broadcast rights), any loss on disposal of assets, any miscellaneous expense, interest expense, any income tax expense, non-cash 401(k) expense less any gain on disposal of assets, any miscellaneous income, any income tax benefits, payments for program broadcast obligations and network compensation revenue.

Free Cash Flow is defined as net income plus loss from early extinguishment of debt, non-cash stock based compensation, depreciation and amortization (including amortization of intangible assets and program broadcast rights), any loss on disposal of assets, any miscellaneous expense, interest expense, any income tax expense, non-cash 401(k) expense, pension expense less any gain on disposal of assets, any miscellaneous income, any income tax benefits, payments for program broadcast obligations, network compensation revenue, contributions to pension plans, interest expense (net of amortization of deferred financing costs and amortization of original issue discount on our debt), capital expenditures (net of any insurance proceeds) and the payment of income taxes (net of any refunds received).

These non-GAAP terms are not defined in GAAP and our definitions may differ from, and therefore not be comparable to, similarly titled measures used by other companies, thereby limiting their usefulness. Such terms are used by management in addition to and in conjunction with results presented in accordance with GAAP and should be considered as supplements to, and not as substitutes for, net income and cash flows reported in accordance with GAAP.

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Reconciliations - As Reported:
Reconciliation of net income to the non-GAAP terms (dollars in thousands):

|  | Three Months Ended December 31, |  |  |  | Year Ended <br> December 31, |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2014 |  | 2013 |  | 2014 |  | 2013 |  |
| Net income | \$ | 31,253 | \$ | 5,201 | \$ | 48,061 | \$ | 18,288 |
| Adjustments to reconcile from net income to Broadcast Cash Flow Less Cash Corporate Expenses: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Depreciation |  | 8,650 |  | 6,334 |  | 30,248 |  | 24,096 |
| Amortization of intangible assets |  | 3,006 |  | 296 |  | 8,297 |  | 336 |
| Non-cash stock based compensation |  | 980 |  | 255 |  | 5,012 |  | 1,974 |
| Loss on disposals of assets, net |  | 238 |  | 821 |  | 623 |  | 765 |
| Miscellaneous income, net |  | (9) |  | - |  | (23) |  | - |
| Interest expense |  | 19,195 |  | 14,655 |  | 68,913 |  | 52,445 |
| Loss from early extinguishment of debt |  | 189 |  | - |  | 5,086 |  | - |
| Income tax expense |  | 21,393 |  | 3,432 |  | 31,736 |  | 13,147 |
| Amortization of program broadcast rights |  | 3,644 |  | 2,875 |  | 12,871 |  | 11,367 |
| Common stock contributed to 401(k) plan excluding corporate 401(k) contributions |  | 7 |  | 7 |  | 25 |  | 28 |
| Network compensation revenue recognized |  | (113) |  | (145) |  | (456) |  | (615) |
| Payments for program broadcast rights |  | $(3,893)$ |  | $(2,884)$ |  | $(15,087)$ |  | $(11,433)$ |
| Corporate and administrative expenses excluding depreciation, amortization of intangible assets and non-cash stock based compensation |  | 6,859 |  | 5,968 |  | 25,671 |  | 17,836 |
| Broadcast Cash Flow |  | 91,399 |  | 36,815 |  | 220,977 |  | 128,234 |
| Corporate and administrative expenses excluding depreciation, amortization of intangible assets and non-cash stock based compensation |  | $(6,859)$ |  | $(5,968)$ |  | $(25,671)$ |  | $(17,836)$ |
| Broadcast Cash Flow Less Cash Corporate Expenses |  | 84,540 |  | 30,847 |  | 195,306 |  | 110,398 |
| Pension expense |  | 1,515 |  | 2,162 |  | 6,126 |  | 8,626 |
| Contributions to pension plans |  | $(2,057)$ |  | $(1,062)$ |  | $(6,770)$ |  | $(4,748)$ |
| Interest expense |  | $(19,195)$ |  | $(14,655)$ |  | $(68,913)$ |  | $(52,445)$ |
| Amortization of deferred financing costs |  | 812 |  | 668 |  | 2,970 |  | 1,903 |
| Amortization of original issue (premium) or discount on Notes |  | (216) |  | 197 |  | (863) |  | (9) |
| Purchase of property and equipment |  | $(11,763)$ |  | $(5,612)$ |  | $(32,215)$ |  | $(24,053)$ |
| Income taxes paid, net of refunds |  | (40) |  | (1) |  | (401) |  | (519) |
| Free Cash Flow | \$ | 53,596 | \$ | 12,544 | \$ | 95,240 | \$ | 39,153 |

See the previous page for the definition of Non-GAAP terms.

## The Company

We are a television broadcast company headquartered in Atlanta, Georgia, that owns and operates television stations and leading digital assets in markets throughout the United States. We own and operate television stations in 44 television markets broadcasting 140 program streams including 76 affiliates of the Big Four networks (ABC, CBS, NBC and FOX). Our owned and operated stations include 26 channels affiliated with the CBS Network, 24 channels affiliated with the NBC Network, 16 channels affiliated with the ABC Network and 10 channels affiliated with the FOX Network. We own and operate the number-one ranked television station in 31 of those 44 markets and the number-one or number-two ranked television station operations in 41 of those 44 markets. We reach approximately 8.0 percent of total United States television households.

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## Cautionary Statements for Purposes of the "Safe Harbor" Provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act

This press release contains statements that constitute "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 and the federal securities laws. These "forward-looking statements" are not statements of historical facts, and may include, among other things, statements regarding our current expectations and beliefs of operating results for the first quarter of 2015, full year 2015 or other periods, future expenses and other future events. Actual results are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties and may differ materially from the current expectations and beliefs discussed in this press release. All information set forth in this release is as of March 5, 2015. We do not intend, and undertake no duty, to update this information to reflect future events or circumstances. Information about certain potential factors that could affect our business and financial results and cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed or implied in any forward-looking statements are included under the captions "Risk Factors" and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations," in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014 and may be contained in reports subsequently filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") and available at the SEC's website at www.sec.gov.

## Conference Call Information

We will host a conference call to discuss our fourth quarter operating results on March 5, 2015. The call will begin at 10:00 AM Eastern Time. The live dial-in number is 1 (888) 572-7034 and the confirmation code is 9606696 . The call will be webcast live and available for replay at www.gray.tv. The taped replay of the conference call will be available at 1 (888) 203-1112, Confirmation Code: 9606696 until April 4, 2015.

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## Investor Presentation

March, 2015
Financial Information as of December 31, 2014



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See the appendix to this presentation for the definition of certain capitalized terms used herein. Reconciliations of the Company's non-GAAP measures of broadcast cash flow, broadcast cash flow less cash corporate expenses and free cash flow are contained in the appendix and also available on the Company's web site at www.gray.tv

## Company Overview


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## Gray Has a Diverse and National Footprint

## 44 markets reaching approximately $8 \%$ of US TV households



## Combination Snapshot



Source: Company filings

## Investment Highlights

$\checkmark$ A Leading Television Broadcaster in Diverse Mid Markets with Dominant Market Positions
$\checkmark 140$ program streams and 76 "Big 4" network affiliations
$\checkmark$ \#1 or \#2 market rank in 41/44 markets; \#1 news ranking in 28/44 markets
$\checkmark$ Improving Advertising Market and Diversification of Revenue Mix
$\checkmark$ Large Political Upside in Election Years with Presence in Key States
$\checkmark$ Strong Growth in Net Retransmission Revenue and Increasing Leverage With Networks
$\checkmark$ Successful New Media Initiatives and Spectrum Upside
$\checkmark$ Robust Free Cash Flow Generation Over a Two Year Cycle
$\checkmark$ Experienced Management Team With Track Record of Successful Integrations

## Operational Strategy Focused on Market Leadership and Growth

- Maintain and grow our market leadership position
- Pursue selective strategic transactions
- Continue to prudently invest in local content and news, syndicated programs, top talent and community relationships
- Seek new media opportunities currently operate web, mobile and desktop applications in all of our markets
- Monetize digital spectrum through growth in spectrum channels
- Drive free cash flow generation


Maintain Leadership and Grow
Free
Cash
Flow

Monetize Spectrum

Accretive Partnerships

Internet and Socialization

## Retransmission Revenue

Political Revenue

## Core Advertising Growth

## The Importance of Being \#1



- Dominate local and political revenue with highly-rated news platforms
- Greater purchasing power and leverage with MVPDs, networks and programmers
- Deliver higher margins
- Maximize free cash flow
- Attract and retain high quality talent
(1) Number of Gray stations ranked \#1; Pro Forma for the Acquisitions


## Long History of Being \#1 in the Market



'05/'06 '06/'07 '07/'08 '08/'09 '09/'10'10/'11 11/12 12 /13 $13 / 14$

| NBC National Ranking | 3 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 3 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |



Dominate Local News \& Information

- Gray's late local news outperforms the national average by $73 \%$
- Gray's 6PM newscasts outperform the national average by 66\%
- Better than national average for all major affiliate news programs


6PM News
$=$ NSI National Average $\quad$ Gray Average of All Stations


- sts -Gray

CBS vs. Gray
November '14 Household Share



- obc - Gray


## Stable Markets - Concentration on DMAs 61-208 With Focus on State Capitals / Collegiate Presence

| Market | College(s) | Approximate Enrollment | Market | College(s) | Approximate Enrollment |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Waco, TX | AP B | 75 | Reno, NV |  | 20 |
| Topeka, KS |  | 53 | Harrisonburg, VA | SMIT | 20 |
| Lansing, MI | Chin | 50 | Sioux Falls, SD |  | 13 |
| Tallahassee, FL | FloridnaAKM | 43 | Cheyenne, WY | $4$ | 11 |
| Madison, WI | 61! | 43 | Charleston-Huntington, WV |  | 10 |
| Lexington, KY | (Tiz | 30 | Monroe, LA | 素 | 9 |
| Knoxville, TN |  | 27 | Flint, MI |  | 9 |
| Lincoln, NE | Pref | 25 | Colorado Springs, CO |  | 9 |
| Greenville, NC |  | 22 | South Bend, IN | N15 | 8 |
| Toledo, OH | UT | 21 | Bismarck, ND | wotco | 4 |
| Charlottesville, VA | $\mathrm{V}$ | 21 | Great Falls, MT |  | 2 |
| Bowling Green, KY |  | 21 | Helena, MT | (x) | 1 |

- Gray stations cover 12 state capitals and 24 university towns
- Enrollment of approximately 547,000 students

Note: Shading indicates DMA includes state capital. Enrollment in thousands;

## Diversification Across Networks and Markets

## Station Mix

## 140 Total Program Streams:

## 76 Big 4 Affiliates:

- 26 CBS
- 24 NBC
- 16 ABC
- 10 FOX

73 Additional Program Streams with: ${ }^{(2)}$

- 17 CW
- 2 Telemundo
- 17 MyNetwork TV
- 17 ME TV
- 6 Antenna TV
- 2 This TV Network
- 1 Movies
- $1 \mathrm{H} \&$
- 10 Local News/Weather
(1) Pro forma for the Acquisitions

2) Certain program channels are affiliated with more than one
3) additional network simultaneously
(3) Excludes corporate expenses
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2014PF Revenue: Top }10\mathrm{ Markets (1)
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2014PF BCF: Top 10 Markets (1), (3)


2014PF Revenue by Affiliate: $\$ 572 \mathrm{~mm}{ }^{(1)}$



## 2014PF BCF by Affiliate: \$251mm ${ }^{\text {(1), (3) }}$



## Revenue Mix Continues to Diversify

- Growth in net revenue, driven by increases in core revenue, political, retransmission and internet revenues
- Revenue mix continues to diversify from traditional ad-based sources to new media - Internet and subscriber driven - and retransmission revenue
- Diversification lowers overall revenue volatility

(1) 2010A and 2014A reflect Gray actual data per Company: 2014PF includes the Acquisitions


## Long-Term Network Affiliate Agreements



## Strong Growth in Retransmission Revenue

## Gray TV RetransmissionRevenue ${ }^{(1)}$

- Approximately 9.6 million Big-4 Affiliate subscribers total across all markets
- Approximately 0.8 million Big-4 Affiliate subscribers will re-price end of 2015
- Approximately 3.8 million Big-4 Affiliate subscribers will re-price end of 2016
- Approximately 5.0 million Big-4 Affiliate subscribers will re-price between $12 / 31 / 17$ and 6/30/18
- Potential upside from price increases vs.

(2) 2015 per current Company estimate. 2016 \& 2017 assume $10 \%$ per annum growth in Retransmission Revenue and NetworkAffiliation fees (a.k.a. "NetworkReverse Comp." equal to $50 \%$ of retransmission revenue. Actual results mayvary from current estimates.


## Gray is A Leading Beneficiary of Political Revenue with Large Upside

## Gray TV Political Commentary

## 2012 Political Revenue as \% of Total ${ }^{(1), ~(2)}$

- $\quad 82$ Million Actual \& \$85 Million Pro Forma in 2014 - New Record NonPresidential Year
- 2011 - Off Year Record $\$ 13.5$ million
- Gray operates in key battleground states
- \#1 stations can capture over $50 \%$ of the political budget for a market
- Recent Supreme Court decisions removing limits on campaign spending have driven and are expected to further drive incremental revenue
- Revenue from issue-based political advertising expected to further drive growth


## Gray TV Political Revenue ${ }^{(1), ~(2)}$


(1) Gray, Media General, Lin TV, Nexstar, and Sinclair figures per company filings
2) 2012PF and 2014 PF includes Gray and the Acquisitions and assumes $15 \%$ agency commission
discount on gross political revenues for the Acquisitions
(3) Represents key political states in 2014 elections

## Successful Digital Media Initiatives

- Operate web and mobile applications in all markets
- Focused on local content: news, weather, sports
- All sites have converted to responsive design
- "Moms Everyday" digital vertical; deployed in each Gray TV market and continues to expand to other markets

- Full service digital solutions



(1) Gray Standalone data per company filings; 2013PF and 2014PF includes the Acquisitions


## Financial Overview

## Gray Historical Financial Summary

| Net Revenue ${ }^{(1)}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | ${ }^{\text {Sase }}$ + ${ }^{\text {sas }}$ | \$507 ${ }^{\text {5327 }}$ |  |  |  |  | \$5572 <br> $\$ 522$ |
|  | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2013PF | 2014PF |
| Lick | 6\% | $\underset{\substack{6 \% \\ 14 \%}}{\text { 10, }}$ | 9\%\% | $\underset{\text { 13\% }}{\text { 13\% }}$ |  | $=$ | ${ }_{3 \%}^{2 \%}$ |


(1) Gray actual data per Company: 2013PF, 2014 include the Acquisitions
(2) Gray standalone Capex as a percentage of Gray standalone Revenue
(3) PF Capex as a percentage of PF Revenue

## Capital Expenditures ${ }^{(1)}$

( $\$$ in millions)
-Actual CapEx $\quad$ PF CapEx


## Strong Free Cash Flow Conversion

- Gray realized record free cash flow of $\$ 95$ million in 2014
- Gray's free cash flow is expected to increase with the Acquisitions due to the incremental OCF, expected tax savings and moderate increase in CAPEX
- Gray will also benefit from $\sim \$ 160$ million in net operating loss carryforwards

(1) Pro Forma interest expense estimated with Pro Forma incremental indebtedness and estimated cash interest
(2) Gray actual data per Company: 2012PF, 2013PF and 2014PF figures include the Acquisitions


## Prudent Balance Sheet Management Leads to Deleveraging

- Gray has significantly reduced secured and total leverage from historical levels
- Gray's strategic investments have diversified its revenue base, allowing for significant free cash flow in both political and non-political years

(1) Leverage shown on a two year blended basis to account for biennial shifts in political revenues
(2) Gray actual data per company filings; $12 / 31 / 14 \mathrm{PF}$ includes the Acquisitions
(3) Debt net up to $\$ 30$ million of cash


## Gray Television, Inc.

## Current Capitalization

( $\$$ in Millions)

|  | 12/31/2014 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | \$ | Cum. <br> xL8QA <br> OCF ${ }^{1}$ | Cum. <br> xLTM <br> OCF ${ }^{2}$ |
| Cash \& Equivalents | \$30.8 |  |  |
| Priority Revolver (\$50MM) due 2019 | - | 0.0x | 0.0x |
| TermLoan B due 2021 (LIBOR + 3\% with LIBOR Floor of 0.75\%) | \$556.4 | 2.78 x | 2.43 x |
| Secured Debt | \$556.4 | 2.78 x | 2.43 x |
| 7.5\% Senior Notes due 10/2020 | 675.0 | 6.14 x | 5.37 x |
| Total Debt | \$1,231.4 | 6.14 x | 5.37 x |
| Net Debt ${ }^{5}$ | \$1,201.4 | 6.00x | $5.24 x$ |

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## Questions \& Answers


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## Appendix


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## Glossary

| "Acquisitions": | The Hoak Acquisition and Gray's other previously completed acquisitions of Rapid Cities, Prime Cities, Lockwood, Yellowstone, KJCT, Montana and SJL unless otherwise specified |
| :---: | :---: |
| "Excalibur" (Excalibur Broadcasting, Inc.): | A television broadcaster with two stations (KJCT, KKHD) whose financial results are consolidated with those of Gray in accordance with GAAP from October 31, 2013 through December 15, 2014 |
| "Gray" (Gray Television, Inc.): | A television broadcast company headquartered in Atlanta, Georgia, that owns and operates television stations and digital properties in markets throughout the United States; its results are consolidated with those of Excalibur under GAAP from October 31, 2013 through December 15, 2014 |
| "Hoak Media" (Hoak Media, LLC): | A television broadcaster with 22 stations that was acquired by Gray on June 13, 2014 |
| "Hoak": | Hoak Media and Parker combined, excluding stations divested to Nexstar or Mission |
| "Hoak Acquisition": | Gray's acquisition or operation of 15 Hoak television stations, which closed on June 13, 2014 |
| "KJCT": | Station acquired by Excalibur from News-Press and Gazette on October 31, 2013 |
| "Lockwood": | CW affiliated station WQCW in Charleston, WV, acquired by Gray from Lockwood on April 1, 2014 |
| "Montana": | Three stations acquired by Gray from Intermountain West Communications Company (two stations) and Rocky Mountains Broadcasting (one station) in Q4, 2014 |
| "Operating Cash Flow" or "OCF": | Operating cash flow as defined in Gray's existing senior creditfacility; includes Pro Forma adjustments for closed acquisitions. See appendix herein and Gray's website at www. gray.tv for definition and reconciliations of non-GAAP terms. |
| "Parker" (Parker Broadcasting, Inc.): | A television broadcast company with three stations that we operate under SSA's |
| "Prime Cities": | Two stations acquired by Gray from Prime Cities Broadcasting, Inc. on May 1, 2014 |
| "Pro Forma" or "PF": | Reflects combined historical results, position, or statistics of Gray and the specified acquisitions; pro forma financial results give effect to the specified acquisitions as if they had occurred at the beginning of the relevant period including anyfinancing related to the specified acquisitions |
| "Rapid Cities": | Two stations acquired by Gray from Mission TV, LLC on May 1,2014 |

## Pro Forma Non-GAAP Reconciliation

| GrayTekevision Inc. Pro Forma Nan-GAPPReconciliation |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2012 | 2013 | $\underline{2014}$ | $\underline{2013}$ | $\underline{2014}$ |
| Net income | \$ 59,350 | \$ 29,243 | \$ 90,096 | \$ 44,297 | \$ 59,670 |
| Adjustments to reconcilefrom net income to |  |  |  |  |  |
| Broadcast Cash Flow Less Cash Corporate Expenses: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Depreciation | 31,838 | 32,202 | 33,794 | 32,020 | 32,998 |
| Amortization of intangible assets | 825 | 892 | 8,360 | 859 | 4,626 |
| Non-cash stock based compensation | 878 | 1,974 | 5,012 | 1,426 | 3,493 |
| Gain on disposals of assets, net | (69) | 850 | $(28,854)$ | 391 | $(14,002)$ |
| Miscellaneous income, net | 2,823 | 1,627 | 290 | 2,225 | 959 |
| Interest expense | 76,975 | 75,019 | 75,232 | 75,997 | 75,126 |
| Loss on early extinguishment of debt | 46,683 | - | 5,086 | 23,342 | 2,543 |
| Income tax expense | 26,468 | 16,906 | 34,837 | 21,687 | 25,872 |
| Amortization of program broadcast rights | 12,969 | 13,090 | 12,871 | 13,030 | 12,981 |
| Common stock contributed to 401(k) plan excluding corporate 401(k) contributions | 26 | 28 | - | 27 | 27 |
| Network compensation revenuerecognized | (627) | (615) | (456) | (621) | (536) |
| Network compensation pernetwork affiliation agreement | (60) | - | (45) | (30) | (536) |
| Payments for program broadcast rights | $(13,727)$ | $(13,156)$ | $(15,087)$ | $(13,442)$ | $(14,122)$ |
| Other items | 599 | (550) | 2,788 | 25 | 1,119 |
| Broadcast Cash Flow Less Cash Corporate Expenser, aka. "Adjusted EBIIPA" | 244,951 | 157,510 | 223,994 | 201,231 | 190,752 |
| Corporate and administrative expenses excluding depreciation, amortization of intangible assets and non-cash stock based compensation | 17.631 | 21,073 | 27,135 | 19,352 | 24,104 |
| Broadcast Cash Flow | \$ 262.582 | \$ 178,583 | \$ 251.129 | \$ 220.583 | \$214.856 |
| Broadcast Cash Fiow Less Cash Corporite Expenses | \$ 244,951 | \$ 157,510 | \$ 223,994 | \$ 201,231 | \$ 190,752 |
| Pension Expense | 7,874 | 8,626 | 6,126 | 8,250 | 7,376 |
| Pension Cash Funding | $(9,402)$ | $(4,748)$ | $(6,770)$ | $(7,075)$ | $(5,759)$ |
| Other items | $10,546$ | $10,128$ | $5,901$ | $10,337$ | $8,015$ |
| OperatingCash Flow asdefined in the creoft agreament | \$ 253,969 | \$ 171,516 | \$ 229,251 | \$ 212,743 | \$ 200,384 |
| Less interest expense | $(76,975)$ | $(75,019)$ | $(75,232)$ | (75,997) | $(75,126)$ |
| Addback amortization of deferred financing | 2,723 | 1,903 | 2,970 | 2,313 | 2,437 |
| Less capital expenditures, net of insurance proceeds | $(28,882)$ | $(27,374)$ | $(32,215)$ | $(28,128)$ | $(29,795)$ |
| Less cash taxes | (836) | (519) | (401) | (678) | (460) |
| Addback amortization of original issuediscount | 1,127 | (9) | (863) | 559 | (436) |
| Free Cash Riow | \$.151.126 | \$ 70.498 | \$123.510 | \$110.812 | \$ 97.004 |

## Pro Forma Non-GAAP Reconciliation (continued)

|  | ProForma Twelve Manths Ended December 31,2012 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Gray <br> Actual |  | Acquisitions |  | Proforme Adjustments |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Gray } \\ \text { Proforma } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |  |
| Net income | \$ | 28,129 | 5 | 42,731 | \$ | $(11,510)$ | \$ | 59,350 |
| Adjustments to reconcilefrom net income to Broadcast Cash Flow Less Cash Corporate Expenses: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Depreciation |  | 23,133 |  | 8,705 |  | - |  | 31,838 |
| Amortization of intangible assets |  | 75 |  | 750 |  | - |  | 825 |
| Non-cash stock based compensation |  | 878 |  | - |  | - |  | 878 |
| Gain on disposals of assets, net |  | (31) |  | (38) |  | - |  | (69) |
| Miscellaneous income, net |  | (2) |  | 2,825 |  | - |  | 2,823 |
| Interest expense |  | 59,443 |  | 6,022 |  | 11,510 |  | 76,975 |
| Loss on early extinguishment of debt |  | 46,683 |  | - |  | - |  | 46,683 |
| Income tax expense |  | 19,188 |  | 7,280 |  | - |  | 26,468 |
| Amortization of program broadcast rights |  | 11,081 |  | 1,888 |  | - |  | 12,969 |
| Common stock contributedto 401(k) plan |  | - |  |  |  | - |  | - |
| excluding corporate 401(k) contributions |  | 26 |  |  |  | - |  | 26 |
| Network compensation revenue recognized |  | (627) |  | - |  | - |  | (627) |
| Network compensation pernetwork |  | (1) |  | - |  | - |  | ) |
| affiliation agreement |  | (60) |  | - |  | - |  | (60) |
| Payments for program broadcast rights |  | $(11,839)$ |  | $(1,888)$ |  | 51 |  | $(13,727)$ |
| Other items |  | , |  | 81 |  | 518 |  | 599 |
| Broedcast Cash Fiow Less Cash Corporate Expenser; aka. "Adjusted EBIIDA* |  | 176,077 |  | 68,356 |  | 518 |  | 244,951 |
| Corporate and administrative expenses excluding depreciation, amortization of intangible assets and non-cash stock based compensation |  | 15,049 |  | 1,731 |  | 851 |  | 17,631 |
| Broedcast Cash fiow | S | 191.126 | S | 70.087 | S | 1.369 | S | 262.582 |
| Broadcast Cash Fiow Less Cash Corporate Experses | \$ | 176,077 | \$ | 68,356 | S | 518 | s | 244,951 |
| Pension Expense |  | 7,874 |  | - |  | - |  | 7,874 |
| Pension Cash Funding |  | $(9,402)$ |  | - |  | - |  | $(9,402)$ |
| Other items |  | (399) |  | 29 |  | 10,916 |  | 10,546 |
| Operating Cash flow as defined in the credt ageennert |  | 174,150 |  | 68,385 |  | 11,434 |  | 253,969 |
| Less interest expense |  | $(59,443)$ |  | $(6,022)$ |  | $(11,510)$ |  | $(76,975)$ |
| Addback amortization of deferred financing |  | 2,723 |  | - |  | - |  | 2,723 |
| Less capital expenditures, net of insurance proceeds |  | $(22,937)$ |  | $(1,945)$ |  | $(4,000)$ |  | $(28,882)$ |
| Less cash taxes |  | (836) |  | - |  | - |  | (836) |
| Addback amortization of original issuediscount |  | 1,127 |  | - |  | - |  | 1,127 |
| Free Cash Fiow | S | 94.784 | S | 60,418 | S | (4.076) | S | 151.126 |
| Gray Television, Inc. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

## Pro Forma Non－GAAP Reconciliation（continued）

|  |  |  |  | Twelve | GE | d Decenter | 013 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Gray Actual |  | uisitions |  | Proforma Adjustments |  | Gray Proforma |
| Net income | 5 | 18，288 | 5 | 27，975 | \＄ | $(17,020)$ | 5 | 29，243 |
| Adjustments to reconcilefrom net income to |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Broadcast Cash Flow Less Cash Corporate Experses： |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Depreciation |  | 24，096 |  | 8，106 |  | － |  | 32，202 |
| Amortization of intangible assets |  | 336 |  | 556 |  | － |  | 892 |
| Non－cash stock based compensation |  | 1，974 |  | － |  | － |  | 1，974 |
| Gain on disposals of assets，net |  | 765 |  | 85 |  | － |  | 850 |
| Miscellaneous income，net |  | － |  | 1，627 |  | － |  | 1，627 |
| Interest expense |  | 52，445 |  | 5，554 |  | 17，020 |  | 75，019 |
| Loss on early extinguishment of debt |  | － |  | － |  | － |  | － |
| Income tax expense |  | 13，147 |  | 3，759 |  | － |  | 16，906 |
| Amortization of program broadcast rights |  | 11，367 |  | 1，723 |  | － |  | 13，090 |
| Common stock contributedto 401（k）plan |  | － |  |  |  | － |  |  |
| excluding corporate 401（k）contributions |  | 28 |  | － |  | － |  | 28 |
| Network compensation revenue recognized |  | （615） |  | － |  | － |  | （615） |
| Network compensation pernetwork |  | － |  | － |  | － |  | ， |
| affiliation agreement |  | － |  | － |  | － |  | － |
| Payments for program broadcast rights |  | $(11,433)$ |  | $(1,723)$ |  | － |  | $(13,156)$ |
| Other items |  | ， |  | 728 |  | $(1,278)$ |  | （550） |
| Broadcast Cash Fiow Less Cash Corporate Experses，aka．＂Adjusted E⿴囗十介IDA＊ |  | 110，398 |  | 48，390 |  | $(1,278)$ |  | 157，510 |
| Corporate and administrative expenses excluding depreciation，amortization of intangibleassets and non－cash stock based compensation |  | 17，836 |  | 1．273 |  | 1，964 |  | 21，073 |
| Broadcast Cash fiow | S | 128.234 | 5 | 49，663 | 5 | 686 | S | 178.583 |
| Broedcast Cash fiow Less Cash Corporat Experses | \＄ | 110，398 | \＄ | 48，390 | S | $(1,278)$ | \＄ | 157，510 |
| Pension Expense |  | 8，626 |  | － |  | － |  | 8，626 |
| Pension Cash Funding |  | $(4,748)$ |  | － |  | － |  | $(4,748)$ |
| Other items |  | （477） |  | 32 |  | 10，573 |  | 10，128 |
| OperatingCash Fiow asdefined in the credt agreamert |  | 113，799 |  | 48，422 |  | 9，295 |  | 171，516 |
| Less interest expense |  | $(52,445)$ |  | $(5,554)$ |  | $(17,020)$ |  | $(75,019)$ |
| Addback amortization of deferred financing |  | 1，903 |  | － |  | $\bigcirc$ |  | 1，903 |
| Less capital expenditures，net of insurance proceeds |  | $(23,817)$ |  | （557） |  | $(3,000)$ |  | $(27,374)$ |
| Less cash taxes |  | （519） |  | － |  | － |  | （519） |
| Addback amortization of original issue discount |  | （9） |  | － |  | － |  | （9） |
| Free Cash flow | S | 38.912 | S | 42.311 | S | （10．725） | S | 70.498 |
| Gray Television，Inc． |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

## Pro Forma Non-GAAP Reconciliation (continued)

|  | ProFarma Twele Manths Ended December 31,2014 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Gray Actual |  | Acquisitions |  | Proforme <br> Adjustments |  | Gray Proforma |  |
| Net income | \$ | 48,061 | \$ | 45,282 | \$ | $(3,247)$ | \$ | 90,096 |
| Adjustments to reconcilefrom net income to |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Broadcast Cash Flow Less Cash Corporate Expenses: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Depreciation |  | 30,248 |  | 3,546 |  | - |  | 33,794 |
| Amortization of intangible assets |  | 8,297 |  | 63 |  | - |  | 8,360 |
| Non-cash stock based compensation |  | 5,012 |  | - |  | - |  | 5,012 |
| Gain on disposals of assets, net |  | 623 |  | $(29,477)$ |  | - |  | $(28,854)$ |
| Miscellaneous income, net |  | (23) |  | 313 |  | - |  | 290 |
| Interest expense |  | 68,913 |  | 3,072 |  | 3,247 |  | 75,232 |
| Loss on early extinguishment of debt |  | 5,086 |  | - |  | - |  | 5,086 |
| Income tax expense |  | 31,736 |  | 3,101 |  | - |  | 34,837 |
| Amortization of program broadcast rights |  | 12,871 |  | - |  | - |  | 12,871 |
| Common stock contributed to 401(k) plan |  | - |  | - |  | - |  | - |
| excluding corporate 401(k) contributions |  | 25 |  | - |  | - |  | 25 |
| Network compensation revenue recognized |  | (456) |  | - |  | - |  | (456) |
| Network compensation pernetwork affiliation agreement |  | - |  | - |  | - |  | - |
| Payments for program broadcast rights |  | $(15,087)$ |  | - |  | - |  | $(15,087)$ |
| Other items |  | - |  | 2.788 |  | - |  | 2,788 |
| Broedcast Cash Fiow Less Cash Conporate Expenser, aka. "Adjusted Exilda* |  | 195,306 |  | 28,688 |  | - |  | 223,994 |
| Corporate and administrative expenses excluding depreciation, amortization of intangible assets and non-cash stock based compensation |  | 25.671 |  | 1.464 |  | . |  | 27.135 |
| Broadcast Cash flow | S | 220.977 | S | 30.152 | S |  | S | 251.129 |
| Broedcast Cash Fiow Less Cash Corporate Experses | \$ | 195,306 | \$ | 28,688 | \$ | - | \$ | 223,994 |
| Pension Expense |  | 6,126 |  | - |  | - |  | 6,126 |
| Pension Cash Funding |  | $(6,770)$ |  | - |  | - |  | $(6,770)$ |
| Other items |  | - |  | - |  | 5,901 |  | 5.901 |
| OperatingCash fiow as defined in the credit ageemert |  | 194,662 |  | 28,688 |  | 5,901 |  | 229,251 |
| Less interest expense |  | $(68,913)$ |  | $(3,072)$ |  | $(3,247)$ |  | $(75,232)$ |
| Add back amortization of deferredfinancing |  | 2,970 |  | - |  | (3,24) |  | 2,970 |
| Less capital expenditures, net of insurance proceeds |  | $(32,215)$ |  | - |  | - |  | $(32,215)$ |
| Less cash taxes |  | (401) |  | - |  | - |  | (401) |
| Addback amortization of original issue discount |  | (863) |  | - |  | - |  | (863) |
| Free Cash Hiow | S | 95.240 | S | 25.616 | S | 2.654 | S | 123.510 |

## Investor Presentation



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[^0]:    Source: Company financials and management estimates
    ${ }^{1}$ Based on Gray's L8QA 12/31/14 Pro Forma OCF
    ${ }^{2}$ Based on Gray's LTM 12/31/14 Pro Forma OCF
    ${ }^{3}$ Based on Gray's Pro forma L8QA 12/31/14 OCF for all Acquisitions
    ${ }^{4}$ Based on Gray's Pro forma LTM 12/31/14 OCF for all Acquisitions
    ${ }^{5}$ Net of up to $\$ 30 \mathrm{MM}$ in cash

