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FCC Mail Room

Office of the Secretary
Federal Communication Commission
Attention: Disability Rights Office, Room 3-B431
445 12th Street SW
Washington, DC 20554

RE: CGB-CC-1224

Please find the enclosed email communication between WTVA Station Manager John P. Sullivan and me regarding assistance from WTVA in closed captioning our Sunday broadcast. As you can see, they will not be able to provide us with assistance for captioning.

Per the letter from FCC Disability Rights Office attorney Roger Holberg, I believe this completes all the information you requested for our exemption request.

Please let me know if you require anything further related to this matter.

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MISSION

Love God,

Love Neighbor,

Celebrate in

Jesus Christ

Together

VISION

A vibrant

Christian

community of

disciples

reaching out

to all in

beacons of hope

VALUES

Rooted in

Scripture

Centered in

Christ

Serving in

Love

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From: John Sullivan [psullivan@wtva.com]
Sent: Monday, October 01, 2012 3:42 PM
To: david@fumctupelo.com
Subject: Re: Closed Captioning Assistance

David,

Thanks for your question. As you know, Close Captioning is a very lengthy process, especially for a live program. While we would like to help, we have no resources, financial or human, that are available to assist you with this requirement.

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Phil,

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The costs associated with closed captioning our program are substantial and will cause us to have to cease our Sunday broadcast if our petition is denied and we can't get help in covering this added expense.

Thanks in advance for any assistance you can provide.

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