

Changing Hands

TVs

KOTV(TV) Tulsa, Okla.

Price: \$82 million

Buyer: Griffin Licensing LLC, Las Vegas (David F. Griffin, 65.2% member); owns KWTW(TV) Oklahoma City; has interest in KPOM-TV Fort Smith and KFAA(TV) Rogers/Fort Smith, Ark.

Seller: Belo Corp., Dallas (Robert W. Decherd, president); owns/manages 21 TVs. Note: Belo acquired KOTV in 1983 for \$41 million

Facilities: Ch. 6, 100 kW visual, 50 kW aural, ant. 1,885 ft.

Affiliation: CBS

WNEQ-TV Buffalo, N.Y.

Price: \$26.2 million

Buyer: LIN Television Corp., Providence, R.I. (Gary R. Chapman, president; Hicks, Muse, Tate & Furst Inc., about 70% nonvoting owner); owns/is buying 19 other TVs, including WIVB-TV Buffalo. Note: If FCC approval to convert WNEQ-TV's license from public to commercial is rejected by Federal Court of Appeals, seller will substitute WNED-TV Buffalo and LIN will pay additional \$5 million.

Seller: Western New York Public Broadcasting Association, Buffalo (David K. Boswell, president; Richard Daly Sr., vice president, broadcasting); owns WNED-TV, WNED-AM-FM Buffalo and WNJA(FM) Jamestown/Buffalo, N.Y. Note: WNEQ-TV has been up for sale since May 1998; deal agreed to in August '98 to sell it to Sinclair Broadcast Group Inc. for \$33 million died in November 1999.

Facilities: Ch. 23, 955 kW visual, 95.5 kW aural, ant. 1,030 ft.

Affiliation: PBS (to be independent; call letters to change)

Broker: Blackburn & Co. Inc. (seller)

COMBOS

Three-way swap involving WHK-FM Canton, WHK(AM) Cleveland, WCLV(FM) Cleveland and WAKS(FM) (formerly WZLE) Lorain/Cleveland, Ohio

Value: Reported \$35 million (includes \$18.5 million from Salem Communications to Radio Seaway; \$8 million from Clear Channel to Salem)

Swapper, WHK-AM-FM/acquirer, WCLV: Salem Communications Corp., Camarillo, Calif. (Edward G. Atsinger III, president/43.4%

Station Trades	
By dollar volume and number of sales; does not include mergers or acquisitions involving substantial non-station assets	
THIS WEEK	
TV/Radio	\$0
TVs	\$108,200,000
Combos	\$35,800,000
FMs	\$112,930,500
AMs	\$40,525,000
Total	\$297,455,500
SO FAR IN 2000	
TV/Radio	\$2,133,450
TVs	\$1,011,426,089
Combos	\$3,627,827,127
FMs	\$1,376,000,292
AMs	\$204,628,885
Total	\$6,222,015,843

owner); owns/is buying 74 other radio stations, including WHK(AM), WKNR(AM) and WRMR(AM) Cleveland, WCCD(AM) Parma/Cleveland, Ohio, and WXRT(AM) Chicago (see first AM item, below)

Swapper, WCLV/acquirer, WHK(AM), WAKS: Radio Seaway Inc., Cleveland (Robert D. Conrad, president/80% owner).

Radio Seaway is part of foundation that owns WVIZ-TV and WCPN(FM) Cleveland

Acquirer, WHK-FM/swapper, WAKS: Clear Channel Communications Inc., San Antonio, Texas (L. Lowry Mays, chairman; Randy Michaels, chairman, Clear Channel Radio);

owns/is buying 19 TVs and at least 1,111 other radio stations, including WGAR-FM, WMJI(FM), WMMS(FM) and WTAM(AM)-

WMVX(FM) Cleveland, WFUN(AM)-WREO-FM Ashtabula/parts of Cleveland and WZOO-FM Edgewood/parts of Cleveland; is selling

WJMO(AM), WQAL(FM) and WZAK(FM) Cleveland and WZJM(FM) Cleveland Heights/Cleveland, Ohio. Also see first FM item.

Facilities: WHK-FM: 98.1 MHz, 36 kW, ant. 570 ft.; WHK(AM): 1420 kHz, 5 kW;

WCLV: 95.5 MHz, 31 kW, ant. 620 ft.; WAKS: 104.9 MHz, 3 kW (to be 6 kW), 1.3 kW, ant. 499 ft.

Formats: WHK-FM: religion, Christian talk; WHK(AM): rebroadcasts WHK-FM (to be classical); WCLV: classical (likely to be Christian); WAKS: CHR (to simulcast WHK-FM)

Brokers: Gary Stevens (Salem); Media Services Group Inc. (Radio Seaway)

KINN(AM)-KZZX-FM Alamogordo, N.M.

Price: \$800,000 cash

Buyer: Burt Broadcasting Inc., Alamogordo (William F. Burt, president/50% owner; Donnie L. Burt, vice president/50% owner); owns KYEE(FM) Alamogordo

Seller: KINN Inc., Alamogordo (David Nicholson, president); no other broadcast interests

Facilities: AM: 1270 kHz, 1 kW day, 500 W night; FM: 105.3 MHz, 6 kW, ant. 157 ft.

Formats: AM: talk; FM: country

Broker: Media Services Group Inc. (seller)

FMs

KDGE(FM) Dallas and call sign and format of KTXQ(FM) Fort Worth/Dallas

Price: \$59.4 million (\$52.4 million cash for KDGE; \$2 million KTXQ calls, format; \$5 million cash for KDGE format)

Buyer: Radio One Inc., Lanham, Md. (Alfred C. Liggins III, president); owns/is buying 39 other FMs and 13 AMs, including KBFB(FM) (from Clear Channel Communications Inc.) and KJOI(AM) (formerly KLUV) Dallas; is selling WJMZ-FM and WPEK(FM) Greenville, S.C., and WARV(FM) and WDYL(FM) Richmond, Va. (see next two deals)

Seller, KDGE: Sunburst Media Corp., Dallas (John M. Borders, president);

owns/has interest in eight AMs and 17 other FMs. Note: Sunburst recently

acquired KDGE by swapping away KLTY(FM) Highland Village/Dallas/Fort Worth and KPXI(FM) Overton/

Longview, Texas. That deal, with Salem Communications Corp., was estimated

to be worth about \$63 million (Changing Hands, Sept. 4)

Seller, KTXQ calls, format/acquirer, KDGE format: Clear Channel (see first Combo deal); owns KDMX(FM) and KZPS(FM)

Dallas, KHKS(FM) Denton/Dallas and KEGL(FM) Fort Worth/Dallas

Facilities: KDGE: 94.5 MHz, 100 kW, ant. 1,906 ft.; KTXQ: 102.1 MHz, 100 kW, ant. 1,447 ft.

Formats: KDGE: was alternative rock, now KTXQ's Jammin' Oldies; KTXQ: was Jammin' Oldies, now KDGE's alternative rock

Broker: Star Media Group Inc.

WJMZ-FM Anderson/Greenville and