Sinclair Broadcast Group, Inc. Announces Completion of Private Placement Of Preferred Securities

BALTIMORE, March 18 /PRNewswire/ -- Sinclair Broadcast Group, Inc.

(Nasdaq: SBGI) announced today that it has completed a private placement of 2,000,000 shares of 11-5/8% High Yield Trust Offered Preferred

Securities (the "Preferred Securities") of Sinclair Capital, a

subsidiary trust of the Company. The Preferred Securities were issued

March 12, 1997, and mature March 15, 2009. The Preferred Securities

were sold through Smith Barney Inc. and Chase Securities Inc. (as

initial purchasers) to "qualified institutional buyers" (as defined in

Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended) and a limit

ed number of institutional "accredited investors" (as defined in Rule

501(a)(1), (2), (3) or (7) of the Securities Act of 1933).

Sinclair Broadcast Group, Inc. used \$135 million of the proceeds of the private offering to repay outstanding debt and retained the

remainder (net of expenses of the offering) for general corporate

purposes, which may include acquisitions and repurchases of shares of

the Company's Class A Common Stock.

The Preferred Securities have not been registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or any state securities or blue sky

laws and may not be offered or sold in the United States or in any state

thereof absent registration or an applicable exemption from the

registration requirements of such laws. This press release does not

constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy the Preferred Securities.

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