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## **SINCLAIR COMMUNICATIONS, INC. NAMES TOM TIPTON GENERAL MANAGER**

Tom Tipton, General Manager of KDNL in St. Louis, has been named Vice President/General Manager by Barry Baker, CEO-designate of Sinclair Communications, Inc. and Stu Powell, Regional Manager.

In making the announcement, Barry Baker said "Tom is someone who has been long deserving of this opportunity. He has helped build KDNL from a struggling UHF station to an important part of the Sinclair family of ABC stations. His demonstrated history of forging advertising relationships goes hand in hand with his understanding of the important community role KDNL must play."

Stu Powell, new Regional Manager for KDNL added. "Tom demonstrates the drive necessary to be a great General Manager. His reputation as a savvy broadcaster as well as his people skills are known throughout this company. Tom is a real professional and I look forward to working with him."

Tom concluded, "It's an honor to be asked to become Vice President/General Manager of a Sinclair property like KDNL. Rest assured, I will leave no stone unturned in trying to make this station the best it can be. I'm excited as well to be a part of Stu Powell's new region. The fact that I have been promoted over the past seven years from Local Sales Manager to General Sales Manager and now General Manager at this property speaks volumes to Sinclair's commitment to find, train and promote people inside who share this company's goals and philosophies. I deeply appreciate this new opportunity."