

Sinclair Names Les Vann General Manager of WLOS-TV In Asheville, North Carolina

BALTIMORE, June 13 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Sinclair Broadcast Group, Inc. (Nasdaq: SBGI) announced today that Les Vann has been named General Manager of WLOS-TV (ABC 13) in Asheville, North Carolina effective July 1, 2002. The announcement was made by David Smith, President and CEO of Sinclair. Mr. Vann will also be responsible for oversight of WBSC-TV (WB 40) in Anderson, South Carolina, which is programmed by Sinclair under a time brokerage agreement.

In making the announcement, Mr. Smith said, "Les has considerable experience in running our traditional network affiliated stations. We believe this experience, coupled with his overall knowledge of broadcast television operations and news, make him the perfect choice to lead the team in the Asheville-Greenville-Spartanburg-Anderson market."

"I am extremely pleased to have been offered the opportunity to join the teams at WLOS and WBSC," commented Mr. Vann. "My family and I look forward to becoming part of their great communities and partaking in their many fine traditions."

Mr. Vann has served as the General Manager of Sinclair's KGAN-TV (CBS 2) in Cedar Rapids, IA since November 2000. From 1994, he served as Station Manager for WICD-TV (NBC 15), in Champaign, IL. Prior to that, he served in the news department at WICS-TV (NBC 20) in Springfield, IL where he held various news-related positions including that of News Director, Assignment Editor, Anchor, and Producer. Mr. Vann holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Communications from Illinois State University and has completed continuing professional education studies at the Kellogg School for Business at Northwestern University.

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