Sinclair Reaches Agreement With Synergy Brands Sinclair Receives Equity Interest in BeautyBuys.Com in Exchange For Advertising

BALTIMORE, Nov. 19 /PRNewswire/ -- Sinclair Broadcast Group, Inc.\par (Nasdaq: SBGI) announced that it has reached an agreement, in principle, with\par Synergy Brands, Inc. (Nasdaq: SYBR), a publicly traded company, to provide\par advertising and cash in exchange for an equity position in Synergy and its\par wholly owned subsidiary, BeautyBuys.com, Inc. The transaction was announced\par by David Smith, CEO of Sinclair.\par

Under the terms of the agreement, Sinclair will invest cash, advertising\par and media services into Synergy in exchange for approximately 16.5% equity\par interest. Additionally, Sinclair will provide BeautyBuys.com with up to\par \$50 million in unused spot and non-spot advertising inventory on Sinclair's\par 58 television stations and approximately \$18 million worth of media services\par to be used over the next 5 years. In return, Sinclair will be granted\par 900,000 shares of BeautyBuys' Class B shares and an option to buy 8.1 million\par Class A shares, representing a 50% equity interest in BeautyBuys. Sinclair\par will also assume 3 seats on BeautyBuys' Board and one seat on Synergy's Board.\par

"Sinclair is adopting a long term strategy to use our television platform\par for branding and to raise public awareness in companies in which we own an\par equity interest. Television is critical in helping internet companies to\par brand themselves. We can create value for them and our shareholders by\par offering our platform in exchange for an equity position in these growth\par companies," commented David Smith. "Over the air television has created value\par for local and national advertisers since its inception and it's reasonable to\par assume that over the air television can create value for consumer driven\par internet companies."\par

Len Ostroff, COO of Sinclair Ventures, Inc. commented, "Our investment in\par BeautyBuys.com represents our first opportunity to demonstrate the real market\par power of our local television stations and to capitalize on the growth and\par future prospects of the internet."\par

BeautyBuys.com offers approximately 5,000 brand name women's and men's\par fragrances, cosmetics, wellness products, vitamins and nutritional\par supplements, and other health, beauty and gift items.\par

Sinclair Broadcast Group, Inc. is a diversified broadcasting company that\par currently owns or programs 58 television and 52 radio stations. Upon\par completion of all pending transactions, Sinclair will own or program\par 58 television stations in 38 separate markets and six radio stations in one\par market. Sinclair's television group reaches approximately 24.4% of U.S\par television households and includes ABC, CBS, Fox, NBC, WB, and UPN affiliates.\par \par

Forward-Looking Statements\par

The matters discussed in this press release include forward-looking\par statements regarding, among other things, future operating results. In\par addition, when used in this press release, the words "intends to," "believes,"\par "anticipates," "expects" and similar expressions are intended to identify\par forward-looking statements. Such statements are subject to a number of risks\par and uncertainties. Actual results in the future could differ materially and par adversely from those described in the forward-looking statements as a result\par of various important factors, including the impact of changes in national and\par regional economies, successful integration of acquired television and radio\par stations (including achievement of synergies and cost reductions), pricing and par demand fluctuations in local and national advertising, volatility in\par programming costs, the availability of suitable acquisitions on acceptable\par terms and the other risk factors set forth in the Company's prospectus filed\par with the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 8, 1998, pursuant to rule\par 424(b)(5). The Company undertakes no obligation to publicly release the par result of any revisions to these forward-looking statements that may be made\par to reflect any future events or circumstances.\par

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