

Sinclair Names Chuck Budt as General Manager Of WKEF-TV, Dayton, Ohio

BALTIMORE, March 7 /PRNewswire/ -- Chuck Budt has been named General Manager of WKEF-TV (NBC 22) in Dayton, Ohio. The announcement was made by David Smith, CEO of Sinclair Broadcast Group, Inc. (Nasdaq: SBGI). Mr. Budt will also be responsible for oversight of WRGT-TV (FOX 45) in Dayton, Ohio, which is programmed by Sinclair under a time brokerage agreement.

In making the announcement, Mr. Smith said, "We are pleased to have Chuck lead the team in Dayton. He brings considerable broadcasting and financial experience to these stations. We are fortunate to add his depth of experience to our Company."

"I am very pleased that Chuck is joining the Sinclair team," commented Craig Millar, Regional Director for Sinclair. "Both WKEF-TV and WRGT-TV have strong opportunities for growth, and Chuck has the proven experience and leadership abilities required to enhance the position of these stations."

"It is with great excitement that I'm joining Sinclair," commented Chuck Budt. "I look forward to maximizing the tremendous opportunities that exist at WKEF-TV and WRGT-TV. Our viewers and advertisers deserve the utmost quality programming, service and dedication to the community, and we are striving to meet those needs."

Mr. Budt has served as Vice President and General Manager for WAMI-TV in Miami since 1998. From 1993 to 1998, he served in various management roles for FOX affiliated stations, including Vice President, Strategic Planning and Vice President, Finance and Administration. In addition, he served as Controller and Business Manager for Gillett Broadcasting, Inc. from 1990 to 1993. Prior to that, he was a Senior Staff Accountant for Ernst & Young. Mr. Budt holds a Bachelor of Accountancy degree from the University of Missouri.

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