

WGME-TV (CBS 13) Receives Top Honors by Maine Associated Press; Named 'Station of the Year'

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Sinclair Broadcast Group, Inc. (Nasdaq: SBGI) has announced that WGME-TV (CBS 13) in Portland, Maine won top honors in Maine's Associated Press 2000 annual awards, including "Station of the Year."

In addition to being named "Station of the Year," WGME News 13 took first place in the following six categories: Best Continuing Coverage, Best Spot News, Best Public Affairs, Best Election Coverage, Best Feature, and Best Medical Reporting.

WGME News 13 also won an additional 10 awards for 2nd place, 3rd place and honorable mention.

Ron Wolfe, News Director for WGME News 13, commented, "We are excited to receive such prestigious awards in recognition for our efforts in producing quality news programming."

Alan Cartwright, General Manager, stated, "We are committed to helping make this community we call home an even better place for our children and families. It is flattering to receive the Associated Press recognition for 'Station of the Year,' as well as recognition for our news coverage."

Last month, WGME News 13 won national recognition for outstanding political coverage with the first-ever "Walter Cronkite Award" from the USC Annenberg School for Communication. In addition, The Columbia Journalism Review recently named WGME News 13's "Daybreak" as top in study for morning newscasts surveyed from around the U.S.

Sinclair Broadcast Group, Inc., one of the largest and most diversified television broadcasting companies, currently owns and operates, or programs, 62 television stations in 40 markets. Sinclair's television group includes FOX, WB, ABC, CBS, NBC, and UPN affiliates and reaches approximately 25.0% of all U.S. television households. Half of the Sinclair's station group airs local news programming. Sinclair, through its wholly owned subsidiary, Sinclair Ventures, owns equity interests in Internet-related companies including G1440, an Internet development and integration company; and Synergy Brands Inc. Sinclair has a strategic alliance with Acrodyne Communications, Inc., a manufacturer of technically advanced television transmitters. For more information, please visit their website at <http://www.sbgi.net>.

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