FCC Adopts 2008 Annual Regulatory Fees

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The FCC has adopted its schedule of annual regulatory fees for fiscal year 2008. They will be due to be paid to the FCC in September, but the FCC has not yet announced the specific date fees are due. The final fees by type of mass media license are listed below. Watch the FCC's web page for updates. At some point in the near future, the web page that allows you to determine the fee applicable to a particular broadcast call sign will be posted at www.fccfees.com.

FY 2008 RADIO STATION REGULATORY FEES Population Served AM Class A AM Class B AM Class C AM Class D FM Classes A, B1 & C3 FM Classes B, C, C0, C1 & C2 **<=25,000** 650 500 450 525 600 775 **25,001 – 75,000** 1,325 1,025 650 775 1,225 1,375 **75,001 – 150,000** 1,975 1,275 875 1,300 1,675 2,550 **150,001 – 500,000** 2,975 2,175 1,325 1,550 2,600 3,325 **500,001 – 1,200,000** 4,300 3,325 2,200 2,575 4,125 4,900 **1,200,001 – 3,000,000** 6,600 5,100 3,300 4,125 6,700 7,850 **>3,000,000** 7,925 6,125 4,175 5,150 8,550 10,200

AM Radio Construction Permits 415 FM Radio Construction Permits 600 Low Power TV, TV/FM Translators & Boosters 365 TV VHF Commercial Markets 1-10 71,050 Markets 11-25 53,525 Markets 26-50 33,525 Markets 51-100 21,025 Remaining Markets 5,600 Construction Permits 5,600 TV UHF Commercial Markets 1-10 21,225 Markets 11-25 19,475 Markets 26-50 11,900 Markets 51-100 6,800 Remaining Markets 1,800 Construction Permits 1,800 Satellite Television Stations (All Markets) 1,175 Broadcast Auxiliaries 10 Earth Stations 195