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Scripps and ABC complete new five-year affiliation agreement

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CINCINNATI – The E.W. Scripps Company (NYSE: SSP) and American Broadcasting Company have signed a new five-year affiliation agreement covering 10 Scripps stations through December 2019.

Included in this agreement are the Scripps stations in Bakersfield, Baltimore, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Denver, Detroit, Indianapolis, Phoenix, San Diego and Tampa. In June, Scripps acquired the ABC affiliate in Buffalo, which remains under a separate agreement through the end of 2018.

"We are pleased to have reached an agreement with ABC that reaffirms our long-standing partnership dating back to the 1940s," said Brian Lawlor, senior vice president of television for Scripps. "For decades, ABC has programmed some of the best news and entertainment programming on TV. The continued success of ABC's primetime shows along with the strength of ABC News is the perfect match to our strong local news and digital brands. We look forward to using the strength of our combined resources to satisfy the news and information needs of our local communities."

"We're very pleased to have completed this agreement with Scripps," said John Rouse, senior vice president of affiliate relations for the ABC Television Network. "Scripps is one of the largest owners of ABC affiliates, and we look forward to continuing our long-time collaboration with them."

About Scripps

The E.W. Scripps Company (www.scripps.com) serves audiences and businesses through a growing portfolio of media brands. In July, Scripps announced a deal with Journal Communications to merge its 21 local television stations with Journal's 13 television stations and 34 radio stations, which will make Scripps the nation's fifth-largest broadcasting group. The two companies also agreed to spin off their combined newspaper interests to form a new publicly traded company, to be called Journal Media Group. Scripps runs an expanding collection of local and national digital journalism and information businesses, including mobile video news service Newsy and weather app developer Weathersphere. Scripps also produces television shows including The List and Let's Ask America, runs an award-winning investigative reporting newsroom in Washington, D.C., and serves as the long-time steward of the nation's largest, most successful and longest-running educational

program, the Scripps National Spelling Bee. Founded in 1879, Scripps' motto is "Give light and the people will find their own way."

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