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FORM S-3

REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

LIN TV Corp. (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 05-0501252 (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

LIN Television Corporation (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 13-3581627 (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

One West Exchange Street, Suite 5A Providence, Rhode Island 02903 (401) 454-2880 (Address, Including Zip Code, and Telephone Number, Including Area Code, of Registrant's Principal Executive Offices)

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Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to the public: From time to time after the effective date of this Registration Statement.

If the only securities being registered on this form are being offered pursuant to dividend or interest reinvestment plans, please check the following box. "

If any of the securities being registered on this form are to be offered on a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act of 1933, other than securities offered only in connection with dividend or interest reinvestment plans, check the following box. x

If this Form is filed to register additional securities for an offering pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, please check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering. "

If this Form is a post-effective amendment filed pursuant to Rule 462(c) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering. "

If this Form is a registration statement pursuant to General Instruction I.D. or a post-effective amendment thereto that shall become effective upon filing with the Commission pursuant to Rule 462(e) under the Securities Act, check the following box.

If this Form is a post-effective amendment to a registration statement filed pursuant to General Instruction I.D. filed to register additional securities or additional classes of securities pursuant to Rule 413(b) under the Securities Act, check the following box.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act:

Large accelerated		Accelerated	Non-accelerated		Smaller reporting	
filer	0	filer	filer	0	company	0
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(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

#### CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of Each Class of Securities to be Registered (1)	Amount to be Registered(1)	Proposed Maximum Aggregate Offering Price(1)(2)	Amount of Registration Fee (3)	
Primary Offering by LIN TV Corp.		-		
Class A Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	-			
Preferred Stock, par value \$.01 per share	-			
Warrants	-			
Debt Securities	-			

Units Total Primary Offering	-	\$150,000,000	\$10,695.00
Secondary Offering by Selling Stockholders Class A Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	-	\$75,000,000	\$5,347.50
Total Primary and Secondary Offerings		\$225,000,000	\$16,042.50

- (1) There are being registered under this registration statement such indeterminate principal amount or number of shares of common stock, preferred stock, warrants, debt securities and units as may be sold by the registrant from time to time, which together shall have an aggregate initial offering price not to exceed \$225,000,000. Any securities registered hereunder may be sold separately or as units with other securities registered hereunder. Pursuant to Rule 457(i) under the Securities Act of 1933 (the "Securities Act"), the securities registered hereunder also include such indeterminate number of shares of common stock as may be issued upon conversion or exchange of any preferred stock or debt securities registered hereunder that provide for conversion or exchange, upon exercise of warrants, or pursuant to the anti-dilution provisions of any such securities. In addition, pursuant to Rule 416 under the Securities Act, the shares being registered hereunder include such indeterminate number of shares of common stock and shares of preferred stock as may be issuable with respect to the shares being registered hereunder include such indeterminate number of shares of common stock and shares of preferred stock as may be issuable with respect to the shares being registered hereunder includes, or similar transactions.
- (2) The offering prices per class of securities will be determined from time to time by the registrant in connection with the issuance by the registrant of the securities registered under this registration statement and are not specified as to each class of security pursuant to General Instruction II.D of Form S-3 under the Securities Act.
- (3) Calculated pursuant to Rule 457(o) under the Securities Act.

The Registrant hereby amends this Registration Statement on such date or dates as may be necessary to delay its effective date until the Registrant shall file a further amendment which specifically states that this Registration Statement shall thereafter become effective in accordance with Section 8(a) of the Securities Act of 1933 or until the Registration Statement shall become effective on such date as the Securities and Exchange Commission, acting pursuant to said Section 8(a), may determine.

#### PROSPECTUS

#### SUBJECT TO COMPLETION, DATED JUNE 23, 2010

The information in this prospectus is not complete and may be changed. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the Registration Statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission becomes effective. This prospectus is not an offer to sell these securities and is not soliciting an offer to buy these securities in any state or other jurisdiction where the offer or sale is not permitted.

#### LIN TV Corp.

LIN Television Corporation

CLASS A COMMON STOCK PREFERRED STOCK WARRANTS DEBT SECURITIES UNITS

We may offer and sell from time to time up to \$225,000,000 of the following securities in one or more transactions, classes or series and in amounts, at prices and on terms to be determined by market conditions at the time of our offerings: (i) our Class A Common Stock, \$0.01 par value; (ii) our preferred stock, \$0.01 par value; (iii) warrants to purchase securities; (iv) debt securities, which may be senior debt securities or subordinated debt securities; and (v) units that include any combination of the foregoing securities. We may offer and sell these securities to or through one or more underwriters, dealers and agents, or directly to purchasers, on a continuous or delayed basis. These securities also may be resold by security holders. The Class A Common Stock, preferred stock and warrants to be offered and sold will be issued by LIN TV Corp., and it is anticipated that the debt securities to be offered and sold will be issued by LIN TV Corp., a direct, wholly-owned subsidiary of LIN TV Corp.

We will provide the specific terms of any offering in supplements to this prospectus. We may also authorize one or more free writing prospectuses to be provided to you in connection with these offerings. Any prospectus supplement and any related free writing prospectus may also add, update or change information contained in this prospectus. You should read this prospectus, any accompanying prospectus supplement and any related free writing prospectus, as well as any documents incorporated by reference, carefully before making your investment decision.

Our Class A Common Stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange and trades under the ticker symbol "TVL." On June 22, 2010, the last reported sale price of our Class A Common Stock on the New York Stock Exchange was \$6.22.

Our principal executive offices are located at One West Exchange Street, Suite 5A, Providence, Rhode Island 02903. Our telephone number is (401) 454-2880.

This prospectus may not be used to consummate a sale of any securities unless accompanied by a prospectus supplement.

Investing in our securities involves risks. See "Item 1A—Risk Factors" in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2009, which is incorporated by reference herein.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a

criminal offense.

The date of this prospectus is June , 2010

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#### ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS

This prospectus is part of a registration statement that we have filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, or the SEC, using a "shelf" registration process. By using a shelf registration statement, we may sell, at any time and from time to time, in one or more offerings, the securities described in this prospectus up to a total offering price of \$225,000,000. This prospectus provides you with a general description of the securities we may offer. Each time we use this prospectus to offer securities, we will provide a prospectus supplement that will describe the specific terms of the offering. We may also authorize one or more free writing prospectuses to be provided to you in connection with these offerings. The prospectus supplement, any free writing prospectus that we may authorize to be provided to you and any pricing supplement may also add to, update or change the information contained in this prospectus. Any information in any subsequent filings, including, but not limited to, any prospectus supplements and any related free writing prospectus, that is inconsistent with this prospectus will supersede the information in this prospectus or any earlier prospectus supplement. Please carefully read this prospectus, any accompanying prospectus supplement and any related free writing prospectus, together with any additional information you may need to make your investment decision, in addition to the information contained in the documents we refer to under the headings "Where You Can Find More Information" and "Incorporation of Certain Information by Reference." Information incorporated by reference after the date of this prospectus is considered a part of this prospectus and may add, update or change information contained in this prospectus.

As allowed by the SEC rules, this prospectus does not contain all of the information included in the registration statement. This prospectus contains summaries of certain provisions contained in some of the documents described herein, but reference is made to the actual documents for complete information. All of the summaries are qualified in their entirety by the actual documents. For further information, we refer you to the registration statement, including its exhibits. Statements contained in this prospectus about the provisions or contents of any agreement or other document are not necessarily complete. If the SEC's rules and regulations require that an agreement or document be filed as an exhibit to the registration statement, please see that agreement or document for a complete description of these matters.

You should rely only on the information contained in this document or incorporated by reference in this prospectus and any accompanying prospectus supplement. We have not authorized any other person to provide you with other information. If anyone provides you with different information, you should not rely on it. We are not making an offer of the securities covered by this prospectus in any jurisdiction where the offer is not permitted. You should assume that the information appearing in this prospectus, any prospectus supplement, any free writing prospectus and any other document incorporated by reference is accurate only as of the date on the front cover of those documents. Our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects may have changed since those dates.

This prospectus may not be used to sell securities unless it is accompanied by a prospectus supplement that describes those securities.

Unless otherwise indicated or unless the context otherwise requires, all references in this prospectus to the "Company," "we," "us," and "our" mean, collectively, LIN TV Corp. and LIN Television Corporation and all of our subsidiaries included in our consolidated financial statements.

#### WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION

We file annual, quarterly and current reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC. You can inspect and copy these reports, proxy statements and other information at the public reference facilities of the SEC at the SEC's Public Reference Room located at 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549. Please call the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330 for further information on the operation of the Public Reference Room.

We have filed a registration statement and related exhibits with the SEC under the Securities Act of 1933 in connection with this offering. The registration statement contains additional information about us and the securities we may issue. You may inspect the registration statement and exhibits without charge at the office of the SEC at 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549, and you may obtain copies from the SEC at prescribed rates. Our SEC filings, including the complete registration statement and all of the exhibits to it are also available through the SEC's Web site at http://www.sec.gov.

#### INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE

The SEC allows us to "incorporate by reference" information into this prospectus other information we filed with the SEC, which means that we can disclose important information to you by referring to those documents. We hereby "incorporate by reference" the documents listed below into this prospectus, which means that we are disclosing important information to you by referring you to those documents. The information that we file later with the SEC will automatically update and in some cases supersede this information. Specifically, we incorporate by reference the following documents or information filed with the SEC (other than, in each case, documents or information deemed to have been furnished and not filed in accordance with SEC rules):

- Our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2009, filed on March 15, 2010, as amended by our Amendment to Annual Report on Form 10-K/A for the year ended December 31, 2009, filed on June 2, 2010;
  - Our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2010, filed on April 27, 2010;
    - Our Current Reports on Form 8-K filed on April 1, April 15 and May 17, 2010; and
- The description of our capital stock contained in our Form S-1, filed on February 20, 2002, including any amendments or reports filed for the purpose of updating such description.

We incorporate by reference any additional documents that we may file with the SEC under Section 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act (other than the portions of those made pursuant to Item 2.02 or Item 7.01 of Form 8-K or other information "furnished" to the SEC) between the date that we initially filed the registration statement to which this prospectus relates and the termination of the offering of the securities. These documents may include periodic reports, like Annual Reports on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q and Current Reports on Form 8-K, as well as proxy statements. Any material that we subsequently file with the SEC will automatically update and replace the information previously filed with the SEC.

This prospectus may contain information that updates, modifies or is contrary to information in one or more of the documents incorporated by reference in this prospectus. You should rely only on the information incorporated by reference or provided in this prospectus. We have not authorized anyone else to provide you with different information. You should not assume that the information in this prospectus is accurate as of any date other than the date of this prospectus or the date of the documents incorporated by reference in this prospectus.

We will provide to each person, including any beneficial owner, to whom this prospectus is delivered, upon written or oral request, at no cost, a copy of any and all of the information that is incorporated by reference in this prospectus.

Requests for such documents should be directed to:

DENISE M. PARENT, ESQ. Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary LIN TV Corp. One West Exchange Street, Suite 5A Providence, RI 02903 Phone: (401) 457-9511

You may also access the documents incorporated by reference in this prospectus through our website at http://www.linmedia.com. Except for the specific incorporated documents listed above, no information available on or through our website shall be deemed to be incorporated in this prospectus or the registration statement of which it forms a part.

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#### OUR COMPANY

We are a local television and digital media company, owning and/or operating 28 television stations and interactive television station and niche web sites in 17 U.S. markets. Our highly-rated stations deliver superior local news and community stories, along with top-rated sports and entertainment programming, to 8% of U.S. television homes, reaching an average of 9.7 million households per week. All of our television stations are affiliated with a national broadcast network. We are a leader in the convergence of local broadcast television and the Internet through our television station web sites and a growing number of local interactive initiatives and Internet-based products and services. Our stations are primarily located in the top 75 Designated Market Areas as measured by Nielsen Media Research.

We provide free, over-the-air broadcasts of our programming 24 hours per day to the communities we are licensed to serve. We are committed to serving the public interest by providing free daily local news coverage, making public service announcements and providing advertising time to political candidates.

We seek to have the largest local media presence in each of our local markets by combining strong network and syndicated programming with leading local news, and by pursuing our multi-channel strategy. This multi-channel strategy enables us to increase our audience share by operating multiple stations on multiple platforms in the same market. We currently deliver content over the air, on-line and on mobile applications. We also operate multiple stations in nine of our markets.

Our corporate structure includes LIN TV Corp., a Delaware corporation, which is the issuer of our publicly traded Class A Common Stock, and its wholly owned subsidiary, LIN Television Corporation, a Delaware corporation, which is the borrower under our senior credit facility and the issuer of our 8 % Senior Notes and our 6½% Senior Subordinated Notes. All of our other subsidiaries and joint venture interests are owned, directly or indirectly, by LIN Television Corporation.

#### **RISK FACTORS**

Investing in our securities involves risks. Please see the risk factors described under the caption "Risk Factors" in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2009, which is on file with the SEC and incorporated by reference in this prospectus, as well as the risk factors and other information contained in the applicable prospectus supplement and any related free writing prospectus. Before making an investment decision, you should carefully consider these risks as well as information we include or incorporate by reference in this prospectus supplement. The risks and uncertainties we have described are not the only ones facing our Company. Additional risks and uncertainties not presently known to us or that we currently deem immaterial may also affect our business or operations.

#### FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This prospectus, each prospectus supplement and the information incorporated by reference in this prospectus and each prospectus supplement contain historical information, as well as forward-looking statements that involve known and unknown risks and relate to future events, our future financial performance or our projected business results. In some cases, forward-looking statements can be identified by terminology such as "may," "will," "should," "expects," "plan "anticipates," "believes," "estimates," "predicts," "targets," "potential" or "continue" or the negative of these terms of

comparable terminology. These statements are made on the basis of our views and assumptions as of the time the statements are made and we undertake no obligation to update these statements. We caution investors that any such forward-looking statements we make are not guarantees of future performance and that actual results may differ materially from anticipated results or expectations expressed in our forward-looking statements as a result of a variety of factors. While it is impossible to identify all such factors, some of the factors that could impact our business and cause actual results to differ materially from forward-looking statements are discussed under the caption, "Risk Factors" in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2009.

Except as required by applicable law, including the securities laws of the United States and the rules and regulations of the SEC, we do not plan to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements contained herein after we distribute this prospectus, whether as a result of any new information, future events or otherwise.

#### USE OF PROCEEDS

Unless otherwise stated in the prospectus supplement accompanying this prospectus, we will use the net proceeds from the sale of any securities that may be offered hereby for general corporate purposes. Such general corporate purposes may include, but are not limited to, reducing or refinancing our indebtedness, financing possible acquisitions and redeeming outstanding securities. The prospectus supplement relating to an offering will contain a more detailed description of the use of proceeds of any specific offering of securities.

### RATIO OF EARNINGS TO FIXED CHARGES

The following table sets forth our historical ratio of earnings to fixed charges for the periods indicated. We have no preferred stock outstanding and did not pay preferred stock dividends during these periods.

	Three Months Ended	Fiscal Year	Fiscal Year Ended December 31,			
	March 31, 2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
Ratio of earnings to fixed charges	1.44	1.46	<b>NM</b> (1)	1.67	<b>NM</b> (1)	NM(1)

(1) Not meaningful ("NM") because the ratio of earnings to fixed charges was less than 1:1 in 2008, 2006, and 2005.

The ratio of earnings to fixed charges has been computed on a consolidated basis. "Earnings" consists of pretax income from continuing operations before adjustment for non-controlling interests and equity in net income (loss) from affiliates plus fixed charges. Fixed charges consist of interest expense, including amortization of discount, premium and capitalized expenses related to indebtedness, and a portion of rental expense representing a reasonable approximation of the interest factor. For the year ended December 31, 2009, fixed charges include \$6.0 million pursuant to the Original Shortfall Funding Agreement and the 2010 Shortfall Funding Agreement ("shortfall agreements"), as described further in Note 14 – "Commitments and Contingencies" in Item 8 of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2009. Additionally, because of the probable obligations under the shortfall agreements, the Company's share of losses in Station Venture Holdings, LLC has been included in the earnings calculation.

#### DESCRIPTION OF SECURITIES WE MAY OFFER

We will set forth in the applicable prospectus supplement a description of the securities that may be offered under this prospectus. We will also include in the prospectus supplement information, when applicable, about material U.S. federal income tax considerations relating to the securities, and the securities exchange, if any, on which the securities will be listed.

In this prospectus, we refer to Class A Common Stock, preferred stock, warrants, debt securities and units collectively as "securities." The total dollar amount of all securities that we may issue under this prospectus will not exceed \$225,000,000.

If we issue debt securities at a discount from their original stated principal amount, then, for purposes of calculating the total dollar amount of all securities issued under this prospectus, we will treat the initial offering price of the debt securities as the total original principal amount of the debt securities. For a more detailed description of the terms of the debt securities, please refer to the Indenture relating to the issuance of the particular debt securities attached as an exhibit to this prospectus, in addition to any prospectus supplement related to such issuance. Any senior debt securities will be issued under a senior indenture to be entered into between us and the trustee named in the senior indenture. Any subordinated debt securities will be issued under a subordinated indenture to be entered into between us and the trustee named in the subordinated indenture.

This prospectus may not be used to consummate a sale of securities unless it is accompanied by a prospectus supplement.

### DESCRIPTION OF CAPITAL STOCK

We are authorized to issue 100,000,000 shares of Class A Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share, 50,000,000 shares of Class B Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share, 50,000,000 shares of Class C Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share, and \$5,000,000 shares of preferred stock, par value \$0.01 per share. As of June 1, 2010, there were 29,088,174 shares of our Class A Common Stock outstanding, held of record by 34 holders, 23,502,059 shares of our Class B Common Stock outstanding, held of record by 20 holders, and two (2) shares of our Class C Common Stock outstanding, held of record by two (2) holders, and 872,818 shares of our Class A Common Stock were held in our treasury. There are currently no shares of our preferred stock outstanding.

The following summary describes certain of the material provisions of our common stock, but does not purport to be complete and is subject to and qualified in its entirety by Delaware General Corporation Law and Second Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation and Third Amended and Restated By-Laws of LIN TV Corp., each as amended.

Common Stock

Voting

Each outstanding share of Class A Common Stock is entitled to one vote on all matters submitted to a vote of stockholders. So long as any shares of Class C Common Stock are outstanding, the Class A Common Stock is collectively entitled to 30% of our voting power on all matters submitted to our stockholders for a vote. There is no cumulative voting, which means that the holder or holders of shares having more than half of the voting power in an election of directors can elect all the directors then being elected.

The Class B Common Stock is generally not entitled to vote. However, so long as at least a majority of the shares of Class B Common Stock outstanding as of the date of this prospectus remain outstanding, we cannot, without the consent of at least a majority of the shares of Class B Common Stock then outstanding:

- sell or transfer assets with a total fair market value equal to 10% or more of the value of our outstanding common stock;
  - merge or consolidate with another entity;
    - reclassify any of our securities;
  - reclassify, dissolve, liquidate or wind-up our affairs;
- issue equity securities or those of any of our subsidiaries, other than securities issued by a wholly-owned subsidiary to us or by us to another wholly-owned subsidiary or securities issued under our stock option plan or phantom stock plan;
- redeem or repurchase any shares of our or our subsidiaries' capital stock, other than purchases made pursuant to our stock option plan or phantom stock plan;
  - amend or modify our charter or bylaws so as to affect adversely the rights of the Class B Common Stock;

• declare or pay any dividend or make any other distribution;

• enter into any transaction with an affiliate of ours, other than in our ordinary course of business;

• enter into any transaction outside our ordinary course of business;

- engage in any business or transaction that would require any direct or indirect owner of an equity interest in us to divest itself of any such interest;
- incur or assume or permit any subsidiary to incur or assume any indebtedness in an amount equal to or greater than 10% of our fair market value;
- engage in any business other than any business a majority of whose revenue is derived from the ownership and operation of television stations or any business that we conducted as of the date of filing of our second amended and restated charter; and
- settle or allow any subsidiary to settle any claim outside the ordinary course of our business that involves any material restriction on our continued business or assets or that of any of our subsidiaries or affiliates.

So long as any shares of Class C Common Stock are outstanding, the Class C Common Stock is collectively entitled to 70% of our voting power on all matters submitted to our stockholders for a vote. Each outstanding share of Class C Common Stock is entitled to a proportionate number of votes determined at the time of each vote, relative to the total number of class C votes.

### Dividends

The holders of outstanding shares of common stock are entitled to receive dividends out of assets legally available therefor at such time and in such amounts as the board of directors may from time to time determine, subject to the prior rights of the holders of any preferred stock.

#### Conversion

Under the terms of our Second Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation, the shares of our common stock have the following conversion features:

- each outstanding share of Class B Common Stock may be converted at the option of the holder into either (i) one share of Class A Common Stock or (ii) one share of Class C Common Stock, provided, that all requisite approval for ownership of such voting stock is received from the FCC and, in the case of Class C Common Stock, that the consent of holders of a majority of the outstanding shares of Class B Common Stock is obtained; and
- if a majority of the Class B Common Stock outstanding on May 1, 2002 (the date of our Second Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation) is converted into Class A Common Stock, then each share of Class C Common Stock will be automatically converted into Class A Common Stock for no additional consideration.

#### General

Holders of our common stock have no preemptive or subscription rights to purchase any of our securities. Upon our liquidation, dissolution or winding up, the holders of common stock are entitled to receive, pro rata, our assets which are legally available for distribution, after payment of all debts and other liabilities and subject to the rights of any holders of preferred stock. There are no redemption or sinking fund provisions applicable to the common stock. All of our outstanding shares of common stock are fully-paid and nonassessable.

### Preferred Stock

Our board is authorized without stockholder approval to issue preferred stock in one or more classes or series and to designate for each class or series the following: the terms and conditions of any voting, dividend and conversion or

exchange rights; the amount payable on the series upon redemption and upon our dissolution or distribution of our assets; and the rights, qualifications, limitations or restrictions pertaining to the class or series.

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Certain Charter and By-Law Provisions

Classified Board of Directors

Our Second Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation provides for a board divided into three classes of directors serving staggered three-year terms. The classification of directors has the effect of making it more difficult for stockholders to change the composition of the board in a relatively short period of time. As a result, at least two annual meetings of stockholders, instead of one, will generally be required to effect a change in a majority of the board.

Number of Directors; Vacancies; Removal

Our Second Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation provides that the number of members of our board will be established by the board. Our Third Amended and Restated Bylaws provide that the board, acting by majority vote of the directors then in office, may fill any newly created directorships or vacancies on the board. Moreover, under the Delaware General Corporation Law, or the DGCL, in the case of a corporation having a classified board, stockholders may remove a director only for cause. This provision, when coupled with the provision of our bylaws authorizing the board to fill vacant directorships, will preclude a stockholder from removing incumbent directors without cause and simultaneously gaining control of the board by filling the vacancies created by the directors' removal with its own nominees.

Stockholder Action by Written Consent; Special Meetings

Our Second Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation prohibits action by stockholders by written consent in lieu of a meeting other than action permitted or required to be approved by holders of our Class B Common Stock. Our Third Amended and Restated Bylaws provide that special meetings of stockholders may be called by a majority of the board.

Advance Notice Requirements for Stockholder Proposals and Director Nominees

Our Third Amended and Restated Bylaws establish an advance notice procedure with regard to business proposed to be submitted by a stockholder at any annual meeting of our stockholders, including the nomination of candidates for election as directors. The procedure provides that a notice of proposed stockholder business must be timely given in writing to us prior to the meeting. In all cases, to be timely, notice relating to an annual meeting must be received by the company not less than 90 days nor more than 120 days before the annual meeting.

Notice to us from a stockholder who proposes to nominate a person at a meeting for election as a director must contain all information relating to that person that is required to be disclosed in solicitations of proxies for election of directors, or is otherwise required, in each case pursuant to Regulation 14A under the Exchange Act. The notice must also include the person's written consent to being named in the proxy statement as a nominee and to serving as a director if elected.

The chairman of a meeting of stockholders may determine that a person was not nominated in accordance with the nomination procedure, in which case the person's nomination will be disregarded. If the chairman of a meeting of stockholders determines that other business was not properly brought before the meeting in accordance with our amended and restated bylaw procedures, the business will not be conducted at the meeting.

FCC Compliance

In order to comply with our obligations under the Communications Act of 1934, our Second Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation contains a provision that prohibits us from:

- issuing in excess of 25% of our capital stock to any non-U.S. entity or government or any representative of or individual controlled by any such entity or government; or
- permitting any transfer of our securities that would result in any such government, entity or person holding greater than 25% of our capital stock.

In addition, no such alien governments, entities, or persons shall be entitled to vote or direct or control the vote in excess of 25% of our outstanding capital stock.

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### Limitations on Director Liability

Our Second Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation also contains provisions permitted under the DGCL regarding liability of directors. These provisions eliminate the personal liability of directors for monetary damages for any breach of their fiduciary duties as directors, except for:

- any breach of the duty of loyalty;
- acts or omissions not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law;
- liability under Section 174 of the DGCL regarding unlawful dividends, stock repurchases or stock redemptions; or
  - any transaction from which the director derived an improper personal benefit.

These provisions do not eliminate a director's duty of care and do not affect the availability of equitable remedies, including action to enjoin or rescind a transaction involving a breach of fiduciary duty. Moreover, these provisions do not apply to claims against a director for knowing violation of laws, including the federal securities laws. Our Second Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation further provides that we must indemnify our directors and officers, and may indemnify any of our employees or agents, to the fullest extent permitted by the DGCL. We believe these provisions assist us in attracting and retaining qualified individuals to serve as directors and officers.

# Listing

LIN TV Corp.'s Class A Common Stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "TVL."

Transfer Agent and Registrar

The transfer agent and registrar for our Class A Common Stock is The Bank of New York.

### DESCRIPTION OF WARRANTS

We may issue warrants, including warrants to purchase common stock or debt securities or any combination of the foregoing. Warrants may be issued independently or as part of a unit with any other securities and may be attached to or separate from the underlying securities. The warrants will be issued under warrant agreements to be entered into between us and a warrant agent, as detailed in the prospectus supplement relating to warrants being offered.

A prospectus supplement relating to any warrants being offered will include specific terms relating to the offering, including a description of any other securities sold together with the warrants. These items will include:

- the title of the warrants;
- the aggregate number of the warrants;
- the price or prices at which the warrants will be issued;
- the currencies in which the price or prices of the warrants may be payable;

- the designation, amount and terms of the common stock, preferred stock or debt securities or rights, including rights to receive payment in cash or securities based on the value, rate or price of one or more specified commodities, currencies or indices, purchasable upon exercise of the warrants and procedures by which those numbers may be adjusted;
- the designation and terms of the other offered securities, if any, with which the warrants are issued and the number of the warrants issued with each security;
- if applicable, the date on and after which the warrants and the offered securities purchasable upon exercise of the warrants will be separately transferable;
- the price or prices at which the offered securities purchasable upon exercise of the warrants may be purchased;
- the date on which the right to exercise the warrants shall commence and the date on which the right shall expire;
  - the minimum or maximum amount of the warrants that may be exercised at any one time;
    - any terms relating to the modification of the warrants;
    - information with respect to book-entry procedures, if any;
    - a discussion of any material federal income tax considerations; and
- any other material terms of the warrants, including terms, procedures, and limitations relating to the transferability, exchange, exercise or redemption of the warrants.

The applicable prospectus supplement will describe the specific terms of any warrants or warrant units.

The descriptions of the warrant agreements in this prospectus and in any prospectus supplement are summaries of the applicable provisions of the applicable agreements. These descriptions do not restate those agreements in their entirety and do not contain all of the information that you may find useful. We urge you to read the applicable agreements because they, and not the summaries, define your rights as holders of the warrants or any warrant units. For more information, please review the form of the relevant agreements, which will be filed with the SEC promptly after the offering of the warrants and will be available as described under the heading "Where You Can Find More Information."

#### DESCRIPTION OF DEBT SECURITIES

The following description sets forth some general terms and provisions of the debt securities we may offer, but it is not complete. The particular terms of the debt securities offered and the extent, if any, to which the general provisions may not apply to the debt securities so offered will be described in the prospectus supplement relating to the debt securities. For a more detailed description of the terms of the debt securities, please refer to the indenture relating to the issuance of the particular debt securities.

Any senior debt securities will be issued under a senior indenture to be entered into between us and the trustee named in the senior indenture. Any subordinated debt securities will be issued under a subordinated indenture to be entered into between us and the trustee named in the subordinated indenture. As used in this prospectus, the term "indentures" refers to both the senior indenture and the subordinated indenture. The indenture(s) will be qualified under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended. As used in this prospectus, the term "debt trustee" refers to either the senior trustee

or the subordinated trustee, as applicable.

The following summaries of the material provisions of the senior debt securities, the subordinated debt securities and the indentures are subject to, and qualified in their entirety by reference to, all the provisions of the indenture applicable to a particular series of debt securities, including the definitions therein of some terms. Except as otherwise indicated, the terms of any senior indenture and any subordinated indenture will be identical.

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### General

If applicable, each applicable prospectus supplement will describe the following terms relating to a series of debt securities:

- the title of the debt securities;
- whether the debt securities are senior debt securities or subordinated debt securities and, if they are subordinated debt securities, the terms of subordination;
  - any limit on the amount of debt securities that may be issued;
- whether any of the debt securities will be issuable, in whole or in part, in temporary or permanent global form or in the form of book-entry securities;
  - the maturity dates of the debt securities;
- the annual interest rates (which may be fixed or variable) or the method for determining the rates and the dates interest will begin to accrue on the debt securities, the dates interest will be payable, and the regular record dates for interest payment dates or the method for determining the dates;
  - the places where payments with respect to the debt securities shall be payable;
- our right, if any, to defer payment of interest on the debt securities and extend the maximum length of any deferral period;
- the date, if any, after which, and the prices at which, the series of debt securities may, pursuant to any optional redemption provisions, be redeemed at our option and other related terms and provisions;
- the dates, if any, on which, and the prices at which we are obligated, pursuant to any sinking fund provisions or otherwise, to redeem, or at the holder's option to purchase, the series of debt securities and other related terms and provisions;
- the denominations in which the series of debt securities will be issued, if other than denominations of \$1,000 and any integral multiple thereof;
  - any mandatory or optional sinking fund or similar provisions with respect to the debt securities;
- any index used to determine the amount of payments of the principal of, and premium, if any, and interest on, the debt securities and the manner in which the amounts shall be determined;
  - the terms pursuant to which the debt securities are subject to defeasance;
  - the terms and conditions, if any, pursuant to which the debt securities are secured; and
    - any other material terms of the debt securities.

The debt securities may be issued as original issue discount securities. An original issue discount security is a debt security, including any zero-coupon debt security, which:

- is issued at a price lower than the amount payable upon its stated maturity; and
- provides that, upon redemption or acceleration of the maturity, an amount less than the amount payable upon the stated maturity shall become due and payable.

United States federal income tax considerations applicable to debt securities sold at an original issue discount will be described in the applicable prospectus supplement.

Under the indentures we will have the ability, without the consent of the holders, to issue debt securities with terms different from those of debt securities previously issued and to reopen a previous issue of a series of debt securities and issue additional debt securities of that series, unless the reopening was restricted when the series was created, in an aggregate principal amount determined by us.

# Conversion or Exchange Rights

The terms, if any, on which a series of debt securities may be convertible into or exchangeable for common stock or other of our securities will be detailed in the applicable prospectus supplement. The terms will include provisions as to whether conversion or exchange is mandatory, at the option of the holder or at our option, and may include provisions pursuant to which the number of shares of our common stock or other of our securities to be received by the holders of the series of debt securities would be subject to adjustment.

### Consolidation, Merger or Sale of Assets

Unless we provide otherwise in the applicable prospectus supplement, the indentures will provide that we may not consolidate with or merge into any other person, in a transaction in which we are not the surviving corporation, or convey, transfer or lease our properties and assets substantially as an entirety to, any person, unless:

- the successor entity is a corporation, limited liability company, partnership, trust or other entity existing under the laws of the United States, or any State or the District of Columbia;
  - the successor entity assumes our obligations on the debt securities and under the indentures;
- immediately prior to and after giving effect to the transaction, no default or event of default shall have occurred and be continuing; and
  - certain other conditions are met.

### Events of Default Under the Indentures

Unless we provide otherwise in the applicable prospectus supplement, the following will be events of default under the indentures with respect to any series of debt securities issued:

- failure to pay interest on the debt securities when due, which failure continues for a specified period set forth in the applicable prospectus supplement and the time for payment has not been deferred;
  - failure to pay the principal of or premium on the debt securities, if any, when due;

- failure to deposit any sinking fund payment when due, which failure continues for 60 days;
- failure to observe or perform any other covenant contained in the debt securities or the indentures other than a covenant specifically relating to another series of debt securities, which failure continues for a specified period set forth in the applicable prospectus supplement after we receive notice from the debt trustee or holders of a specified percentage, set forth in the applicable prospectus supplement, of the aggregate principal amount of the outstanding debt securities of that series; or
  - particular events of our bankruptcy, insolvency or reorganization.

The supplemental indenture or the form of note for a particular series of debt securities may include additional events of default or changes to the events of default described above. For any additional or different events of default applicable to a particular series of debt securities, see the applicable prospectus supplement relating to the series.

If an event of default with respect to debt securities of any series occurs and is continuing, the debt trustee or the holders of a specified percentage of the aggregate principal amount of the outstanding debt securities of that series, by notice in writing to us (and, to the debt trustee, if notice is given by the holders), may declare the unpaid principal of or premium, if any, and accrued interest, if any, on the debt securities of that series due and payable immediately.

The holders of a specified percentage of the aggregate principal amount of the outstanding debt securities of an affected series may waive any default or event of default with respect to the series and its consequences, except defaults or events of default regarding:

- payment of principal of or premium, if any, or interest on the debt securities; or
- those covenants described under the subsection "- Modification of Indenture; Waiver" that cannot be modified or amended without the consent of each holder of any outstanding debt securities affected.

Any waiver shall cure the default or event of default.

Subject to the terms of the indentures (as supplemented), if an event of default under an indenture occurs and is continuing, the debt trustee will be under no obligation to exercise any of its rights or powers under the indenture at the request or direction of any of the holders of the applicable series of debt securities, unless the holders have offered the debt trustee indemnity or security satisfactory to it. The holders of a specified percentage of the aggregate principal amount of the outstanding debt securities of any series will have the right to direct the time, method and place of conducting any proceeding for any remedy available to the debt trustee, or exercising any trust or power conferred on the debt trustee, with respect to the debt securities of that series, provided that:

- it is not in conflict with any law or the applicable indenture;
- the debt trustee may take any other action deemed proper by it that is not inconsistent with the direction;
- subject to its duties set forth under the applicable indenture, the debt trustee need not take any action that might involve it in personal liability; and
- subject to its duties set forth under such indenture, the debt trustee need not take any action that it determines, upon the advice of counsel, may not lawfully be taken or in good faith determines would be unduly prejudicial to the holders of the debt securities.

A holder of the debt securities of any series will only have the right to institute a proceeding under the indentures or to appoint a receiver or trustee, or to seek other remedies if:

- the holder has given written notice to the debt trustee of a continuing event of default with respect to that series;
- the holders of a specified percentage of the aggregate principal amount of the outstanding debt securities of that series have made written request to the debt trustee, and the holders have offered reasonable indemnity to the debt trustee to institute proceedings; and

• the debt trustee does not institute a proceeding, and does not receive from the holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding debt securities of that series other conflicting directions within a specified period set forth in the applicable prospectus supplement after the notice, request and offer.

These limitations will not apply to a suit instituted by a holder of debt securities for payment of the principal of or premium, if any, or interest on the debt securities if we default in such payment.

We will periodically file statements with the debt trustee regarding our compliance with the covenants in the indentures.

Modification of Indenture; Waiver

We and the debt trustee may change an indenture without the consent of any holders with respect to specific matters, including:

- to fix any ambiguity, defect or inconsistency in the indenture;
  - to provide for the assumption by a successor person;
    - to evidence and provide for successor trustees;
- to add, change or eliminate any provision affecting only debt securities not yet issued;
- to comply with any requirement of the SEC in connection with qualification of an indenture under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended;
- to conform the indenture to the provisions set forth in the description of the securities in the applicable prospectus supplement; and
  - to make change that does not adversely affect the rights of any holder.

In addition, the rights of holders of a series of debt securities may be changed by us and the debt trustee with the written consent of the holders of at least a majority in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding debt securities of each series that is affected. However, the following changes may only be made with the consent of each holder of any outstanding debt securities affected:

- extend the fixed maturity of the series of debt securities;
- change any obligation of ours to pay additional amounts with respect to the debt securities;
- reduce the principal amount of, the rate of interest on, or any premium payable upon the redemption of any debt securities;
- reduce the amount of principal of an original issue discount security or any other debt security payable upon acceleration of the maturity thereof;
  - impair the right to enforce any payment on, or with respect to, any debt security;
  - adversely change the right to convert or exchange, including decreasing the conversion rate or increasing the conversion price of, the debt security (if applicable);

• in the case of the subordinated indenture, modify the subordination provisions in a manner adverse to the holders of the subordinated debt securities;

- if the debt securities are secured, change the terms and conditions pursuant to which the debt securities are secured in a manner adverse to the holders of the secured debt securities;
- reduce the percentage of principal amount of outstanding debt securities of any series the consent of the holders of which is required for modification or amendment of the indenture or for waiver of compliance with certain provisions of the indenture or for waiver of certain defaults; or
  - modify any of the above provisions.

#### Form, Exchange and Transfer

The debt securities of each series will be issuable only in fully registered form without coupons and, unless otherwise specified in the applicable prospectus supplement, in denominations of \$1,000 and any integral multiple thereof. The indentures will provide that debt securities of a series may be issuable in temporary or permanent global form and may be issued as book-entry securities that will be deposited with, or on behalf of, The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"), unless the prospectus supplement provides otherwise.

At the option of the holder, subject to the terms of the indenture and the limitations applicable to global securities described in the applicable prospectus supplement, debt securities of any series will be exchangeable for other debt securities of the same series, in any authorized denomination and of like tenor and aggregate principal amount.

Subject to the terms of the indenture and the limitations applicable to global securities detailed in the applicable prospectus supplement, debt securities may be presented for exchange or for registration of transfer (duly endorsed or with the form of transfer endorsed thereon duly executed if so required by us or the security registrar) at the office of the security registrar or at the office of any transfer agent designated by us for that purpose. Unless otherwise provided in the debt securities to be transferred or exchanged, no service charge will be made for any registration of transfer or exchange, but we may require payment of any taxes or other governmental charges. The security registrar and any transfer agent (in addition to the security registrar) initially designated by us for any debt securities will be named in the applicable prospectus supplement. We may at any time designate additional transfer agent acts, except that we will be required to maintain a transfer agent in each place of payment for the debt securities of each series.

If the debt securities of any series are to be redeemed, we will not be required to:

- issue, register the transfer of, or exchange any debt securities of that series during a period beginning at the opening of business 15 days before the day of mailing of a notice of redemption of any debt securities that may be selected for redemption and ending at the close of business on the day of the mailing; or
- register the transfer of or exchange any debt securities so selected for redemption, in whole or in part, except for the unredeemed portion of any debt securities being redeemed in part.

### Information Concerning the Debt Trustee

The debt trustee, other than during the occurrence and continuance of an event of default under an indenture, undertakes to perform only the duties specifically set forth in the indenture and, upon an event of default under an indenture, must use the same degree of care in the exercise of the rights and powers vested in it as a prudent person would exercise or use in the conduct of his or her own affairs. Subject to this provision, the debt trustee is under no obligation to exercise any of the powers given to it by the indenture at the request of any holder of debt securities unless it is offered security or indemnity satisfactory to it against the costs, expenses and liabilities that it might incur. The debt trustee is not required to spend or risk its own money or otherwise become financially liable while

performing its duties unless it reasonably believes that it will be repaid or receive adequate indemnity.

#### Payment and Paying Agents

Unless otherwise indicated in the applicable prospectus supplement, payment of the interest on any debt securities on any interest payment date will be made to the person in whose name the debt securities (or one or more predecessor securities) are registered at the close of business on the regular record date for the payment of interest.

Principal of and any premium and interest on the debt securities of a particular series will be payable at the office of the paying agents designated by us, except that, unless otherwise indicated in the applicable prospectus supplement, interest payments may be made by check mailed to the holder. Unless otherwise indicated in the prospectus supplement, the corporate trust office of the debt trustee in The City of New York will be designated as our sole paying agent for payments with respect to debt securities of each series. Any other paying agents initially designated by us for the debt securities of a particular series will be named in the applicable prospectus supplement. We will be required to maintain a paying agent in each place of payment for the debt securities of a particular series.

Subject to applicable abandoned property laws, moneys paid by us to a paying agent or the debt trustee for the payment of the principal of, or any premium or interest on, any debt securities which remain unclaimed at the end of two years after the principal, premium, or interest has become due and payable will be repaid to us, and the holder of the security thereafter may look only to us for payment thereof.

#### Governing Law

Unless otherwise indicated in the applicable prospectus supplement, the indentures and the debt securities will be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York, except to the extent that the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, is applicable.

#### Subordination of Subordinated Debt Securities

Any subordinated debt securities will be unsecured and will be subordinate and junior in priority of payment to some of our other indebtedness to the extent described in a prospectus supplement. The subordinated indenture will not limit the amount of subordinated debt securities that we may issue, nor will it limit us from issuing any other secured or unsecured debt.

#### **Book-Entry Debt Securities**

We will make payments on each series of book-entry debt securities to DTC or its nominee as the sole registered owner and holder of the global security. Neither we nor the debt trustee nor any of our or its agents will be responsible or liable for any aspect of DTC's records relating to or payments made on account of beneficial ownership interests in a global security or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing any of DTC's records relating to the beneficial ownership interests or with respect to its performance of its obligations under the rules and regulations governing its operations.

We understand that when DTC receives any payment on a global security, it will immediately, on its book-entry registration and transfer system, credit the accounts of participants with payments in amounts proportionate to their beneficial interests in the global security as shown on DTC's records. Payments by participants to you, as an owner of a beneficial interest in the global security, will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices (as is the case with securities held for customer accounts registered in "street name") and will be the sole responsibility of the participants.

A global security representing a series will be exchanged for certificated debt securities of that series if (a) DTC notifies us that it is unwilling or unable to continue as depositary or if DTC ceases to be a clearing agency registered

under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), and we do not appoint a successor within 90 days or (b) we decide that the global security shall be exchangeable. If that occurs, we will issue debt securities of that series in certificated form in exchange for the global security. An owner of a beneficial interest in the global security then will be entitled to physical delivery of a certificate for debt securities of the series equal in principal amount to that beneficial interest and to have those debt securities registered in its name. We would issue the certificates for the debt securities in denominations of \$1,000 or any larger amount that is an integral multiple thereof, and we would issue them in registered form only, without coupons.

We understand that DTC is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a "banking organization" within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a "clearing corporation" within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code and a "clearing agency" registered under the Exchange Act. DTC was created to hold the securities of its participants and to facilitate the clearance and settlement of securities transactions among its participants through electronic book-entry changes in accounts of the participants, thereby eliminating the need for physical movement of securities certificates. DTC's participants include securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations and certain other organizations, some of which (and/or their representatives) own DTC. Access to DTC's book-entry system is also available to others, such as banks, brokers, dealers and trust companies that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a participant, either directly or indirectly. The rules applicable to DTC and its participants are on file with the SEC. No fees or costs of DTC will be charged to you.

#### DESCRIPTION OF UNITS

We may issue units comprised of one or more of the other classes of securities described in this prospectus in any combination. Each unit will be issued so that the holder of the unit is also the holder of each security included in the unit. Thus, the holder of a unit will have the rights and obligations of a holder of each included security. The units may be issued under unit agreements to be entered into between us and a unit agent, as detailed in the prospectus supplement relating to the units being offered. The prospectus supplement will describe:

- the designation and terms of the units and of the securities comprising the units, including whether and under what circumstances the securities comprising the units may be held or transferred separately;
  - a description of the terms of any unit agreement governing the units;
  - a description of the provisions for the payment, settlement, transfer or exchange of the units;
    - a discussion of material federal income tax considerations, if applicable; and
      - whether the units will be issued in fully registered or global form.

The descriptions of the units in this prospectus and in any prospectus supplement are summaries of the material provisions of the applicable agreements. These descriptions do not restate those agreements in their entirety and may not contain all the information that you may find useful. We urge you to read the applicable agreements because they, and not the summaries, define your rights as holders of the units. For more information, please review the forms of the relevant agreements, which will be filed with the SEC promptly after the offering of units and will be available as described under the heading "Where You Can Find More Information."

### SELLING STOCKHOLDERS

Information about selling stockholders, where applicable, will be set forth in a prospectus supplement, in a post-effective amendment, or in filings we make with the SEC under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 that are incorporated by reference into this prospectus. The securities that may be sold by a selling stockholder pursuant to this Registration Statement were initially acquired by such selling stockholder pursuant to the transactions consummated on March 3, 1998 and February 20, 2002, as described in the Company's Form S-1, filed on February 20, 2002, as amended.

### PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

We may sell the offered securities in one or more of the following ways:

- through an underwriter or underwriters;
- through dealers;
- through agents;
- directly to one or more purchasers, including affiliates of ours; or

• through a combination of any of these methods of sale.

The applicable prospectus supplement will contain the terms of the offerings of any securities, including the specific plan of distribution. The public offering price and any discount or concessions allowed or reallowed to dealers may be changed from time to time. The applicable prospectus supplement will contain the expected time of delivery of the securities for which this prospectus is delivered.

Unless otherwise indicated in the applicable prospectus supplement, if underwriters are used in the sale of the securities, the underwriting agreement will provide that the obligations of the underwriters are subject to certain conditions precedent and that the underwriters will be obligated to purchase all of the securities if any are purchased. In connection with the sale of securities, underwriters may receive compensation from us or from purchasers of securities for whom they may act as agents in the form of discounts, concessions or commissions. Underwriters may sell securities to or through dealers, and dealers may receive compensation in the form of discounts, concessions or commissions from the underwriters and/or commissions from the purchasers for whom they may act as agent.

Underwriters, agents or dealers participating in the distribution of securities may be deemed to be underwriters, and any discounts and commissions received by them and any profit realized by them on resale of the securities may be deemed to be underwriting discounts and commissions under the Securities Act. The securities may be sold in one or more transactions either at a fixed price or at prices which may be changed based on market prices prevailing at the time of sale, at prices related to the prevailing market prices or at negotiated prices.

We may indemnify the underwriters, agents or dealers who participate in the distribution of securities against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act. We may also contribute to payments that the underwriters, dealers or agents or any of their controlling persons may be required to make in respect of such liabilities. Underwriters, agents or dealers may be customers of, engage in transactions with or perform services for us or our subsidiaries in the ordinary course of business.

If so indicated in a prospectus supplement, we will authorize underwriters, dealers and agents to solicit offers by certain institutions to purchase securities from us pursuant to delayed delivery contracts providing for payment and delivery on the date stated in the prospectus supplement. These contracts will be subject only to those conditions contained in the prospectus supplement. The prospectus supplement will also contain the commission payable for solicitation of any of these contracts.

Offers to purchase securities may be solicited directly by us and sales of securities may be made by us directly to institutional investors or others who may be deemed to be underwriters within the meaning of the Securities Act, with respect to any resale of the securities. The terms of any such sales will be described in the prospectus supplement relating to the securities. Except as contained in the applicable prospectus supplement, no director, officer or employee of ours will solicit or receive a commission in connection with the direct sales by us of the securities, although these persons may respond to inquiries by potential purchasers and perform ministerial and clerical work in connection with any such direct sales.

#### LEGAL MATTERS

The validity of the securities offered hereby will be passed upon for us by Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP, Dallas, Texas.

#### EXPERTS

The financial statements of the Company and management's assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting (which is included in Management's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting of LIN TV Corp. and LIN Television Corporation) and which includes an explanatory paragraph relating to the exclusion of Red McCombs Media, LP, which was acquired by the Company on October 2, 2009, from its assessment and audit of internal control, incorporated in this Prospectus by reference to the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2009 have been so incorporated in reliance on the report(s) of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, an

independent registered public accounting firm, given on the authority of said firm as experts in auditing and accounting. The financial statements of Station Venture Holdings, LLC as of December 31, 2009 and 2008, and for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2009, have been incorporated by reference herein in reliance upon the report of KPMG LLP, independent registered public accounting firm, and upon the authority of said firm as experts in accounting and auditing.

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# LIN TV Corp.

LIN Television Corporation

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June , 2010

#### PART II

#### INFORMATION NOT REQUIRED IN PROSPECTUS

Item 14. Other Expenses of Issuance and Distribution

The following table sets forth the costs and expenses, other than underwriting discounts and commissions, payable by the registrant in connection with the sale of the securities being registered.

All amounts shown are estimated.

SEC registration fee	\$ 16,042.50
Listing fee	+
Financial Industry Regulatory Authority Fee	+
Printing expenses	+
Legal fees and expenses	+
Audit fees and expenses	+
Accounting Fees and expenses	+
Trustee fees and expenses	+
Transfer and disbursement agent fees	+
Miscellaneous expenses	+
Total	\$ +

+ Estimated expenses are not presently known; to be provided by amendment or as an exhibit to a filing with the SEC under Section 13(a), 13(c) or 15(d) of the Exchange Act.

Item 15. Indemnification of Directors and Officers

Section 145 of the Delaware General Corporation Law provides that a corporation may indemnify directors and officers, as well as other employees and individuals, against expenses, including attorneys' fees, judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by such person in connection with any threatened, pending or completed actions, suits or proceedings in which such person was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party by reason of such person being or having been a director, officer, employee or agent of such corporation. The Delaware General Corporation Law provides that Section 145 is not exclusive of other rights to which those seeking indemnification may be entitled under any certificate of incorporation, bylaws, agreement, vote of stockholders or disinterested directors or otherwise.

Section 102(b)(7) of the Delaware General Corporation Law permits a corporation to provide in its certificate of incorporation that a director of the corporation shall not be personally liable to the corporation or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director, except for liability: (i) for any breach of the director's duty of loyalty to the corporation or its stockholders, (ii) for acts or omissions not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law, (iii) for any transactions from which the director derived an

improper personal benefit.

The Second Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of LIN TV Corp. and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of LIN Television Corporation, together with the bylaws of each company, provide that the Registrant will indemnify its directors and officers to the fullest extent permitted by law and that no director shall be liable for monetary damages to the Registrant or its stockholders for any breach of fiduciary duty, except to the extent provided by applicable law.

The Registrant maintains standard policies of directors' and officers' liability insurance. Subject to the limits, retentions, exceptions and other terms and conditions of the policy, the Company's directors and officers are insured against liability for any actual or alleged error, misstatement, misleading statement, act or omission in the discharge of their respective responsibilities to the Company solely in their capacity as directors and officers of the Company.

# Item 16. Exhibits

Exhibit Number	Description
4.1	Second Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of LIN TV Corp., as amended (filed as Exhibit 3.1 to our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed on August 9, 2004).
4.2	Third Amended and Restated Bylaws of LIN TV Corp. (filed as Exhibit 3.2 to our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2007).
4.3	Restated Certificate of Incorporation of LIN Television Corporation (filed as Exhibit 3.1 to the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of LIN TV Corp. and LIN Television Corporation for the fiscal quarter ended June 30, 2003 (File No. 000-25206)).
4.4	Restated By-Laws of LIN Television Corporation (filed as Exhibit 3.4 to the Registration Statement on Form S-1 of LIN Television Corporation and LIN Holding Corp. (Registration No. 333-54003)).
4.5	Form of Senior Indenture to be entered into between LIN Television Corporation and The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., as trustee. (1)
4.6	Form of Subordinated Indenture to be entered into between LIN Television Corporation and The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., as trustee. (1)
5.1	Opinion of Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP. (2)
12.1	Statement of Ratio of Income to Fixed Charges. (2)
23.1	Consent of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm, regarding LIN TV Corp. (1)
23.2	Consent of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm, regarding LIN Television Corporation. (1)
23.3	Consent of KPMG LLP, Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm. (1)

23.4	Consent of Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1 to this Registration Statement).
24.1	Power of Attorney.(2)
25.1	Statement of Eligibility of The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., as trustee, with respect to debt securities. (2)

#### (1) Filed herewith

(2) Previously filed on June 4, 2010

Item 17. Undertakings

The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes:

(1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this registration statement:

(i) To include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act of 1933;

(ii) To reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the registration statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the registration statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in the volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than 20% change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the "Calculation of Registration Fee" table in the effective registration statement; and

(iii) To include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the registration statement or any material change to such information in the registration statement;

provided, however, that paragraphs (i), (ii) and (iii) above do not apply if the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in reports filed with or furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission by the registrant pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 that are incorporated by reference in the registration statement, or is contained in a form of prospectus filed pursuant to Rule 424(b) that is part of the registration statement.

(2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

(3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.

(4) That, for the purpose of determining liability under the Securities Act of 1933 to any purchaser:

(i) Each prospectus filed by the registrant pursuant to Rule 424(b)(3) shall be deemed to be part of the registration statement as of the date the filed prospectus was deemed part of and included in the registration statement; and

(ii) Each prospectus required to be filed pursuant to Rule 424(b)(2), (b)(5), or (b)(7) as part of a registration statement in reliance on Rule 430B relating to an offering made pursuant to Rule 415(a)(1)(i), (vii), or (x) for the purpose of providing the information required by Section 10(a) of the Securities Act of 1933 shall be deemed to be part of and included in the registration statement as of the earlier of the date such form of prospectus is first used after effectiveness or the date of the first contract of sale of securities in the offering described in the prospectus. As provided in Rule 430B, for liability purposes of the issuer and any person that is at that date an underwriter, such date shall be deemed to be a new effective date of the registration statement relating to the securities in the registration statement to which that prospectus relates, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof. Provided, however, that no statement made in a registration statement or prospectus that is part of the registration statement or made in a document incorporated or deemed incorporated by reference into the registration statement or prospectus that is part of the registration statement will, as to a purchaser with a time of contract of sale prior to such effective date, supersede or modify any statement that was made in the registration statement or prospectus that was part of the registration statement that was made in the registration statement or prospectus that was part of the registration statement to made in any such document immediately prior to such effective date;

(5) That, for the purpose of determining liability of the registrant under the Securities Act of 1933 to any purchaser in the initial distribution of the securities, the undersigned registrant undertakes that in a primary offering of securities of the undersigned registrant pursuant to this registration statement, regardless of the underwriting method used to sell the securities to the purchaser, if the securities are offered or sold to such purchaser by means of any of the following communications, the undersigned registrant will be a seller to the purchaser and will be considered to offer or sell such securities to such purchaser:

(i) Any preliminary prospectus or prospectus of the undersigned registrant relating to the offering required to be filed pursuant to Rule 424;

(ii) Any free writing prospectus relating to the offering prepared by or on behalf of the undersigned registrant or used or referred to by the undersigned registrant;

(iii) The portion of any other free writing prospectus relating to the offering containing material information about the undersigned registrant or its securities provided by or on behalf of the undersigned registrant; and

(iv) Any other communication that is an offer in the offering made by the undersigned registrant to the purchaser.

(6) That, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each filing of the registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (and, where applicable, each filing of an employee benefit plan's annual report pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) that is incorporated by reference in the registration statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of the securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

(7) To file an application for the purposes of determining the eligibility of the trustee to act under subsection (a) of Section 310 of the Trust Indenture Act in accordance with the rules and regulations prescribed by the Commission under Section 305(b)(2) of the Act.

(8) Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933 may be permitted to directors, officers or controlling persons of the registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the registrant has been informed that in the opinion of the Securities and Exchange Commission this type of indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act of 1933 and is, therefore unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities and Exchange Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

(9) To supplement the prospectus, after the expiration of any warrant or right subscription period, to set forth the results of any warrant or right subscription offer, the transactions by the underwriters during the subscription period, the amount of unsubscribed securities to be purchased by the underwriters, and the terms of any subsequent reoffering thereof. If any public offering by the underwriters is to be made on terms differing from those set forth on the cover page of the prospectus, a post-effective amendment will be filed to set forth the terms of such offering.

(10) The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes to file an application for the purpose of determining the eligibility of the trustee to act under subsection (a) of Section 310 of the Trust Indenture Act in accordance with the rules and regulations prescribed by the Commission under Section 305(b)(2) of the Act.

(11) That for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each post-effective amendment that contains a form of prospectus shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

(12) That for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, the information omitted from the form of prospectus filed as part of this registration statement in reliance upon Rule 430A and contained in a form of prospectus filed by the registrant pursuant to Rule 424(b)(1) or (4) or 497(h) under the Securities Act shall be deemed to be part of this registration statement as of the time it was declared effective.

## SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the undersigned registrants certify that they have reasonable grounds to believe that they meet all of the requirements for filing on Form S-3 and have duly caused this registration statement to be signed on their behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Providence, State of Rhode Island, on June 23, 2010.

LIN TV CORP. (Registrant) LIN TELEVISION CORPORATION (Registrant)

> By: /s/ Vincent L. Sadusky Vincent L. Sadusky President, Chief Executive

Officer and Director