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DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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Date: January 30th, 2018

Attention:

The Honorable Beth Harwell, Speaker of the House of Representatives  
The Honorable Lt. Governor Randy McNally, Speaker of the Senate  
The Honorable Senator Bo Watson, Chair of Finance, Ways and Means Committee  
The Honorable Representative Charles Michael Sargent, Chair of Finance, Ways and Means Committee  
David H. Lillard, Jr., State Treasurer  
Justin P. Wilson, Comptroller of the Treasury  
David Thurman, State Budget Director

Subject: Tennessee Film, Entertainment and Music Commission

**Biannual Report Ending December 31st, 2017**

Public Chapter 916 of the Public Acts of 2006 established the "Visual Content Act of 2006" which was enacted for the purpose of providing incentive grants to encourage the development of production activities throughout the State of Tennessee. Since 2007, the Tennessee Film, Entertainment and Music Commission has promoted the TFEMC Production Incentive program to boost economic and community development, job creation, and the use of Tennessee locations for film and television production in the state. Pursuant to the requirements defined in Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-3-4903(h), below is a status summary of the incentive grant program.

Status Summary as of December 31st, 2017:

Unobligated Funds: \$10,113,966.68  
Committed Funds: \$18,752,328.75  
Obligated Funds: \$4,913,954.32  
Funds Paid Out to Productions: \$51,003,110.84  
Number of Productions Participating: 72

Received Payment/Closed Grant Contract

Project	Type	Budget	TN Spend	Incentive	Pmt FY
APPALACHIAN JUSTICE	Feature (Independent)	\$310,000.00	\$265,900.99	\$45,203.17	2012
BAILEY (BLACK, WHITE & BLUES)	Feature (Independent)	\$2,450,000.00	\$1,760,841.86	\$299,343.11	2011
BILLY: "THE EARLY YEARS"	Feature (Independent)	\$5,000,000.00	\$3,160,090.01	\$537,277.49	2009
BLUE COLLAR TRIBUTE: TEN YEARS OF FUNNY	TV Special	\$540,000.00	\$167,172.82	\$28,419.38	2010
CAN YOU DUET: SEASON 1	TV Reality	\$2,500,000.00	\$2,215,446.27	\$376,625.87	2009
CAN YOU DUET: SEASON 2	TV Series	\$2,000,000.00	\$1,911,397.43	\$324,937.56	2010
COMMODITIES	TV Series	\$1,060,000.00	\$1,014,692.48	\$152,203.87	2010
COUNTRY STRONG/LOVE DON'T LET ME DOWN	Feature	\$18,115,019.00	\$8,294,942.89	\$1,410,140.30	2012
DOLLYWOOD'S 25TH ANNIVERSARY SPECIAL	TV Special	\$850,000.00	\$616,156.51	\$104,746.61	2011
FIVE DOLLAR COVER	New Media	\$450,000.00	\$306,234.07	\$52,059.79	2010
HANNAH MONTANA: THE MOVIE	Feature (Studio)	\$30,000,000.00	\$11,485,255.69	\$1,822,788.35	2010
HEALTHSPRING 2010	Commercial	\$350,000.00	\$203,072.31	\$34,522.29	2012
LARRY THE CABLE GUY: CHRISTMAS EXTRAVAGANZA	TV Special	\$1,350,000.00	\$855,234.83	\$145,389.92	2009
LARRY THE CABLE GUY'S HULAPALOOZA	TV Special	\$1,500,000.00	\$907,992.26	\$154,358.68	2010
LOSERS TAKE ALL	Feature	\$1,500,000.00	\$1,276,473.12	\$217,000.43	2012
MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL PROMO - 2009	TV Special	\$360,264.00	\$311,578.92	\$52,968.42	2010
MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL PROMO - 2010	TV Special	\$200,000.00	\$160,490.14	\$27,283.32	2011
NASHVILLE STAR: SEASON 6	TV Reality	\$5,500,000.00	\$6,462,448.89	\$1,069,367.33	2010
NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH	Feature (Studio)	\$11,000,000.00	\$3,032,127.76	\$515,461.72	2009
N-SECURE	Feature (Independent)	\$1,200,000.00	\$1,079,389.37	\$183,496.19	2010
OUTLAW COUNTRY - PILOT	TV Series	\$6,081,117.00	\$3,479,916.36	\$591,585.78	2012
PURE COUNTRY 2: THE GIFT	Feature (Independent)	\$5,145,937.00	\$1,618,124.37	\$275,081.14	2011
TAILLIGHT TV: CROSS COUNTRY	TV Series	\$275,000.00	\$240,686.00	\$36,102.90	2008
THAT EVENING SUN	Feature (Independent)	\$1,499,677.00	\$983,449.12	\$147,517.37	2009
THE GRACE CARD	Feature (Independent)	\$350,000.00	\$282,155.71	\$47,966.47	2012
UNCONDITIONAL/FIREBIRD	Feature (Independent)	\$2,619,083.68	\$1,656,243.51	\$281,561.39	2012
WATER FOR ELEPHANTS	Feature (Independent)	\$53,373,545.00	\$980,698.78	\$166,718.80	2012
OUTLAW COUNTRY - PILOT RESHOOT	TV Series	\$4,087,710.00	\$2,363,559.00	\$401,805.00	2013
BLUE LIKE JAZZ	Feature (Independent)	\$1,003,132.00	\$552,165.00	\$93,868.00	2013
WILLIS CLAN	TV Reality	\$214,303.00	\$186,860.00	\$31,766.20	2014
INSPIRATION POP 2929	Feature (Independent)	\$315,257.00	\$189,229.00	\$32,169.00	2014
"42" JACKIE ROBINSON STORY	Feature (Independent)	\$46,092,744.00	\$3,727,093.00	\$633,606.00	2014
DEADLINE	Feature (Independent)	\$700,121.00	\$415,407.00	\$70,619.00	2014
STOKER	Feature (Independent)	\$13,645,012.00	\$6,327,052.00	\$1,075,599.00	2014
THE IDENTICAL	Feature (Independent)	\$16,203,237.00	\$6,440,652.00	\$1,094,911.00	2014
SAVAGE COUNTY	New Media	\$288,498.00	\$172,900.00	\$29,393.00	2014
CMT'S NEXT SUPERSTAR/THE NEXT CMT STAR	TV Series	\$5,000,000.00	\$1,204,866.00	\$204,827.00	2014
BOULEVARD	Feature (Independent)	\$3,086,151.00	\$1,276,191.00	\$319,048.00	2014
TOUGH TRADE - TV PILOT	TV Pilot	\$5,300,000.00	\$2,652,207.00	\$450,875.00	2015
NASHVILLE - TV PILOT	TV Pilot	\$6,354,359.00	\$3,364,063.00	\$571,891.00	2015
NASHVILLE SEASON (1)	TV Series	\$39,714,218.00	\$35,592,604.00	\$6,050,743.00	2015
QUARRY	TV Pilot	\$7,094,653.00	\$213,706.64	\$53,426.66	2015
THE SECRET HANDSHAKE	Feature (Independent)	\$533,722.00	\$462,508.00	\$115,627.00	2015
MY MANY SONS	Feature (Independent)	\$1,178,867.47	\$648,235.49	\$162,058.87	2015
Nashville Season (2)	TV Series	\$90,173,391.00	\$39,957,180.00	\$9,989,295.00	2015
ESPN College Gameday Promo - Habana Ave. LLC	Commercial	\$312,741.00	\$217,977.24	\$54,494.31	2015
Last Best Summer Ever - Mike's Movie, LLC	Feature	\$860,950.00	\$574,326.67	\$143,581.67	2016
Nashville Season 3	TV Series	\$91,707,132.00	\$49,666,452.00	\$6,950,000.00	2016
Lovesong	Feature	\$440,000.00	\$221,408.00	\$55,352.00	2016
Silver Twins	Feature	\$335,000.00	\$231,379.77	\$57,844.94	2016

Payment YEAR	AMOUNT PAID
FY08	36,102.90
FY09	1,722,272.37
FY10	3,840,599.57
FY11	706,454.18
FY12	2,794,698.63
FY13	495,673.00
FY14	3,491,938.20
FY15	17,448,410.84
FY16	9,192,985.35
FY17	8,142,759.85
FY18	3,131,215.95
FY19	0.00
FY20	0.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>51,003,110.84</b>

Quarry Season 1	TV Series	\$41,528,733.00	\$676,050.80	\$169,012.78	2016
Where the Fast Lane Ends	Feature	\$1,535,727.45	\$996,748.00	\$249,187.00	2016
Still the King Season 1	TV Series	\$12,999,384.00	\$6,325,592.00	\$1,268,403.00	2016
Dog Years	Feature	\$1,600,000.00	\$903,040.42	\$225,760.11	2016
Brave New Jersey	Feature	\$1,405,197.00	\$295,375.40	\$73,843.85	2016
Nashville Season 4	TV Series	\$85,619,856.00	\$44,549,589.00	\$8,000,000.00	2017
Rounding Third	Feature	\$450,000.00	\$313,061.78	\$78,265.45	2017
Other Versions of You	Feature (Independent)	\$350,000.00	\$257,977.58	\$64,494.40	2017
Million Dollar Quartet	TV Series	\$30,637,748.00	\$12,054,349.16	\$3,013,587.29	2018
The Diary of Rachel Scott	Feature (Independent)	\$900,000.00	\$470,514.64	\$117,628.66	2018
<b>Production Totals</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>\$667,247,486.60</b>	<b>\$278,228,533.06</b>	<b>\$51,003,110.84</b>	

**Completed TN Production/Qualifiing Expenditures**

Project	Type	Anticipated Budget	Anticipated TN Spend	Anticipated Incentive
All Saints	Feature	\$4,433,970.00	\$3,310,780.00	\$827,695.00
Still the King Season 2	TV Series	\$14,900,535.00	\$8,206,080.00	\$1,395,033.00
Nashville Season 5	TV Series	\$86,630,368.00	\$47,646,702.00	\$8,500,000.00
Manny	Feature (Independent)	\$493,195.00	\$303,073.00	\$75,769.00
INDIVISIBLE	Feature	\$2,400,000.00	\$1,500,000.00	\$300,000.00
The Road Less Traveled	Feature	\$525,000.00	\$420,000.00	\$105,000.00
<b>Production Totals</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>\$109,383,068.00</b>	<b>\$61,386,635.00</b>	<b>\$11,203,497.00</b>

**In Production, Pre/Post Production in TN**

Project	Type	Anticipated Budget	Anticipated TN Spend	Anticipated Incentive
John Doe	Feature	\$600,000.00	\$590,000.00	\$147,500.00
<b>Production Totals</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>\$600,000.00</b>	<b>\$590,000.00</b>	<b>\$147,500.00</b>

**Approved by ECD Grants Committee**

Project	Type	Anticipated Budget	Anticipated TN Spend	Anticipated Incentive
Something in the Water (production put on hold)	Feature	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Truth Shall Rise	Feature	\$10,420,437.00	\$5,520,901.00	\$1,380,225.00
McDonald's Commercial	Commercial	\$399,583.60	\$250,000.00	\$62,500.00
Nashville Season 6	TV Series	\$62,411,184.00	\$34,326,151.00	\$5,750,000.00
Howard's Mill	TV Series	\$854,427.00	\$834,427.00	\$208,606.75
<b>Production Totals</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>\$74,085,631.60</b>	<b>\$40,931,479.00</b>	<b>\$7,401,331.75</b>

	<u>Number of Productions</u>	<u>Total Budgets</u>	<u>Total TN Spend</u>	<u>Total Incentive Committed</u>
<b>Grand Totals</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>\$851,316,186.20</b>	<b>\$381,136,647.06</b>	<b>\$69,755,439.59</b>

Total Funds Available	\$84,201,332.94
Expenses:	
Less Incentives:	
Paid	(\$51,003,110.84)
Committed	(\$18,752,328.75)
Obligated	(\$4,913,954.32)
Subtotal Incentives	(\$74,669,393.91)
Less Administrative	(\$331,926.67)
Total Expenses	(\$75,001,320.58)
General Balance	\$9,200,012.36
East TN Balance	\$913,954.32
Total Balance	\$10,113,966.68