

#### MONITORING & COMPLIANCE REPORT

JANUARY-MARCH 2022



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#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

## BCJ - Quarterly Monitoring & Compliance Report (January– March 2022)

It should be noted that the life of the previous board ended October 2021. As such, there were no citation of breaches for the reporting period as this function requires board approval.

Thirty-eight (38) contacts were recorded for the period January – March 2022. Of this number, eight (8) were complaints, which resulted in investigations of broadcast and television operators. Thirty (30) were queries and comments about other operational issues pertaining to licensed operators and the work of the Commission.

All eight (8) complaints were matters relating to content standards. There was an increase of five (5) when compared with the previous quarter, October – December 2021.

In relation to the payment of the annual licence fee, sixteen (16) subscriber television (STV) operators, or 37% of all licensees paid in full; two (2) or 5% made partial payments and twenty-five (25) or 58% were non-compliant. There was an increase of four (4) in the number of full payments recorded when compared to the previous quarter. There was a decrease of one (1) in the number of licensees who made partial payments and there was also a decrease of four (4) in the number of non-compliant licensees.

#### **INTRODUCTION**

#### **Contacts with the Commission**

Thirty-eight (38) contacts were recorded for the period, January – March 2022. There were eight (8) content standard investigations but no citation of any Notice of Breach of Licence.

#### **BREAKDOWN OF CONTACTS**

	January 2022	February 2022	March 2022	TOTAL
Queries, Requests and Reports:				
Subscriber Television Customer service issues	3	6	-	9
Complaints Received and Investigated	3	2	3	8
Subscriber Television technical issues	2	-	2	4
Broadcast Application process	-	-	2	2
Other operational issues (with the exception of those indicated above)	2	9		15
TOTAL	10	17	11	38

#### PROGRAMMING CONTENT COMPLIANCE

The Commission investigated eight (8) complaints relating to the broadcast of problematic content. The number of complaints investigated increased by five (5) when compared to the period October – December 2021.

**Table 1** details the complaints investigated relating to content standards between January to March, and the nature of the investigations conducted by the Commission.

**Figure 1** illustrates the trend in programming standard complaints investigated in similar reporting periods since 2019.

Table 1

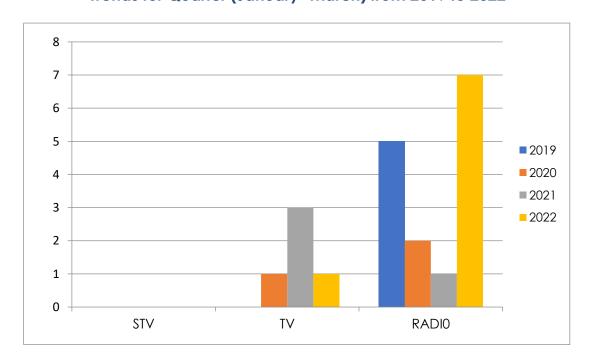
Content Standards Complaints Investigated: January –March 2022

	Transmission of indecent and profane language during the airing of a song.	Transmission of Defamatory remarks during the programme 'Fresh Start 'co-hosted by Andre Stevens	Transmission of excessive language during the airing of a song	TOTAL
Aeronautical Jamaica Ltd. (Kool 97 FM)	1			1
Music 99 Jamaica Ltd. (BRIDGE 99)	2			2
FAME 95 FM	1			1
Television Jamaica Ltd. (TVJ)	1			1
S & B Communications Ltd. (FYAH 105)	1			1
Grove Broadcasting Co. Ltd. (ZIP 103 FM)			1	1
Universal Media Co. Ltd. (Newstalk 93FM)		1		1
TOTAL	6	1	1	8

Complaints listed above include allegations that may not have necessarily resulted in findings of breach.

CONTENT STANDARD COMPLAINTS INVESTIGATED
Trends for Quarter (January- March) from 2019 to 2022

Figure 1:



	2019	2020	2021	2022
STV	0	0	0	0
TV	0	1	3	1
RADIO	5	2	1	7

#### **COMPLAINTS RESOLUTION**

Except for matters that fall outside of the Commission's mandate, all reports of possible breaches of licence are investigated. As soon as investigations are completed, the complainants and the relevant licensees are notified of the outcome, and the Commission considers the matter resolved.

One (1) investigation was resolved between January - March, 2022.

Table 2

Resolution of Complaints by Licensee Type

	No. of investigated complaints resolved
Subscriber Television	-
Broadcast Television	-
Broadcast Radio	1
Total	1

Table 3
Resolution of Complaints by Category

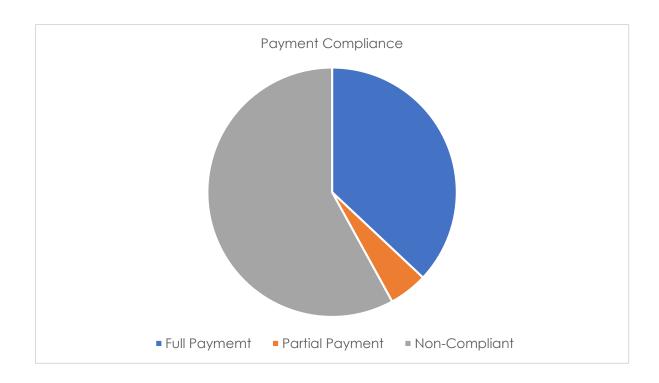
CATEGORY		TOTAL
Closed - Complied with required remedial action for breach of licence		
Broadcast Radio	1	1
Broadcast Television	-	-
Closed – No Evidence of Breach		
Broadcast Radio	-	-
Broadcast Television	-	-
No Sanction Applied		
Broadcast Radio	-	-
Broadcast Television	-	-
Total	1	1

#### FINANCIAL COMPLIANCE

SVT operators are required to pay an annual licence fee of five percent (5%) of their gross subscription income.

Aggregate payment performance is illustrated in Figure 2

Figure 2



Full Payment - 37%
Partial Payment - 5 %
Non- Compliant - 58 %

# STV Licensees Financial Compliance For quarter ended March 31, 2022

	-	SUBMISSION OF AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR YEARS:				LIC	CENCE FE	EES	
	LICENSEES	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	Paid in Full	Partial Payment	Non- Compliant
1	Advance Cable Systems Ltd.	no	no	no	yes	no		✓	
2	Astra Technology Ltd.	no	no	no	no	no			✓
3	Best TV Communications Group Ltd	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a			<b>√</b>
4	Cable One Jamaica Ltd.	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	<b>✓</b>		
5	Cabletron Network Systems Ltd.	no	no	no	no	no			<b>√</b>
6	Central Clarendon Cable Ltd.	no	no	no	no	no			<b>√</b>
7	Central Communication Services Ltd.	yes	yes	yes	no	no	<b>√</b>		
8	Columbus Communications - FLOW	yes	yes	no	yes	no	<b>√</b>		
9	Combined Communications Ltd.	no	no	no	no	no			<b>√</b>
10	Communicable Ltd.	no	no	no	no	no			<b>✓</b>
11	Cornwall Communications Ltd.	no	yes	yes	no	no			✓
12	CTL Limited	no	yes	no	yes	yes	<b>√</b>		
13	Digicel Jamaica (formerly Telstar Cable Ltd)	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	<b>√</b>		
14	Digital Interactive Systems Limited	no	yes	yes	yes	no			<b>√</b>
15	Direct Cable Systems Ltd.	no	no	no	no	no			n/o
16	Gemini Cable Network	yes	yes	no	no	no	<b>√</b>		
17	General Satellite Network Company	yes	no	yes	no	no			<b>√</b>
18	Guthrie's Communications Ltd	no	no	no	no	no			n/o
19	Home Time Entertainment	yes	no	no	no	no			<b>✓</b>
20	Horizon Entertainment & Communication	no	no	no	no	no			<b>√</b>
21	Inntech Communications Ltd.	yes	yes	yes	no	no	<b>√</b>		
22	JACS	n/a	no	no	no	no	<b>√</b>		
23	Jamaica Cablevision Ltd.	no	no	no	no	no	<b>√</b>		
24	Krisara Cable Co. Ltd.	no	no	no	no	no			<b>√</b>

#### **STV Licensees Financial Compliance**

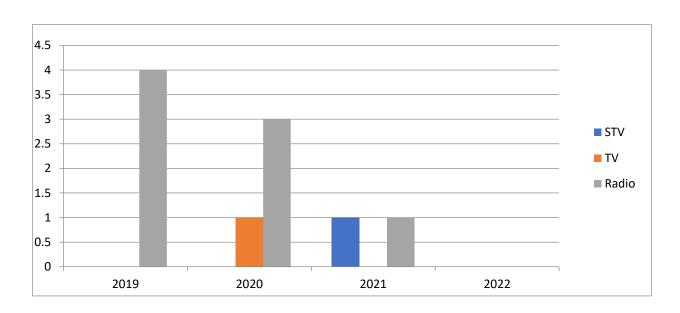
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25	Linscom Network Limited	yes	no	no	no	no			<b>√</b>
26	Logic One Limited	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	<b>√</b>		
27	Marimaxx Communications Ltd.	yes	no	no	no	no			<b>√</b>
28	Mars Cable Vision Limited	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes			<b>✓</b>
29	McKoy's Cable Television Co. Ltd.	no	no	no	no	no			<b>✓</b>
30	Mikes Electronics & Cable Network Ltd.	no	no	no	no	no			n/o
31	Modern Re-Broadcasting Co. Ltd.	yes	no	no	no	no	<b>√</b>		
32	Nems Electrical & Satellite Ltd.	no	no	no	no	no			n/o
33	Network Cable Service	yes	yes	no	no	yes	<b>√</b>		
34	Odyssey Cable Vision Limited	yes	no	no	no	no	<b>√</b>		
35	Procables Network Limited	no	no	no	no	no	<b>√</b>		
36	QES 46 Limited	no	no	no	no	no			<b>√</b>
37	Quality Cable Service	no	no	no	no	no			<b>√</b>
38	Rural Cable Company Limited	no	no	no	no	no			<b>√</b>
39	Santastic Cable Systems Ltd.	no	no	no	no	no		<b>√</b>	
40	Somane Pesole Communications Ltd.	no	no	no	no	no	<b>✓</b>		
41	Starcom Cablevision Ltd.	no	no	no	no	no			n/o
42	Stars Cable Company Ltd.	no	no	yes	no	no			<b>✓</b>
43	St. Thomas Cable Network Limited	yes	no	no	no	no			<b>✓</b>
44	Summit Satellite Systems Limited	no	no	no	no	no			n/o
45	Total Cable	no	no	no	yes	no	<b>√</b>		
46	Tru Star Cable Television Network	no	no	no	no	no			n/o
47	Venus Cable Services	no	no	no	no	no			<b>√</b>
48	Vere Cable Network Limited	no	no	no	no	no			<b>√</b>
49	Westar Communications Limited	no	no	no	no	no			<b>√</b>
50	Wilson Enterprise Limited	no	no	no	no	no			<b>√</b>

n/o - Non-operational

#### **NOTICES OF BREACH**

During the period under review no Notice of Breach was issued to any licensee.

Figure 3
TREND IN BREACHES COMMITTED (BY SERVICE)



	2019	2020	2021	2022
STV	0	0	1	0
TV	0	1	0	0
RADIO	4	3	1	0