

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

June 25, 2010

# **Via facsimile to ((212) 492-0052) and U.S. Mail**

Lawrence G. Wee, Esq.
Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP
1285 Avenue of the Americas
New York, NY 10019

**Re:** Emmis Communications Corp.

Schedule TO-I/A Filed June 23, 2010 File No. 005-43521

Amended Schedule 13E-3 Filed June 23, 2010 File No. 005-43521

Revised Preliminary Proxy Statement Filed June 23, 2010 File No. 000-23264

Amended Schedule 13E-3
Filed June 23, 2010 Emmis Communications Corp.,
JS Acquisition, Inc., JS Acquisition, LLC and Jeffrey H. Smulyan
File No. 005-43521

Schedule TO-T/A
Filed June 23, 2010 by JS Acquisition, Inc., JS Acquisition, LLC
and Jeffrey H. Smulyan
File No. 005-43521

Schedule 14D-9/A Filed June 23, 2010 by Emmis Communications Corp. File No. 005-43521

Dear Mr. Wee:

We have reviewed the above filings and have the following comments.

## Schedule TO-I/A

1. Refer to prior comment 2. Please revise the cover page of Schedule TO to identify the JS entities as "offerors."

Lawrence G. Wee, Esq. Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP June 25, 2010 Page 2

2. We reissue prior comment 4 as it relates to Alden being a bidder in each tender offer. We note that Alden is solely financing the transactions and that, while it will not own the securities purchased in either tender offer by the named bidder, it will be a security holder in the new holding entity. We further note that our guidance as expressed in Section II.D.2 of the Division of Corporation Finance's "Current Issues and Rulemaking Projects Outline" (November 14, 2000) states that one or two factors may control the determination of whether Alden is a bidder in the offers. Thus, please provide us additional analysis on these points or add Alden as a bidder to each tender offer.

# **Revised Preliminary Proxy Statement/Offer to Exchange**

## Cover Letter

- 3. We note the revisions made in response to prior comment 5. Please revise your disclosure in all filings to state whether the going private transaction (including each step in the series of transactions that constitute the current going private transaction) is substantively and procedurally fair to all unaffiliated security holders, not solely those who hold class A common stock. We note that the exchange offer for preferred stock is also part of the going private transaction.
- 4. We reissue prior comment 6. You may not eliminate the disclosure relating to the fairness determination of the board because the disclosure is required under Schedule 13E-3. You may, however, include cautionary language to alert security holders to the conflicts of interest present in the transactions.

#### Notice of Special Meeting of Shareholders

5. We reissue prior comment 7. Note that you may condition approval of one proposal upon approval of the other proposal. Refer to Section II.H. of Exchange Act Release No. 31326 (October 16, 1992).

## Summary Term Sheet, page 1

6. We note the revision made in response to prior comment 8. The use of the phrase "beneficial ownership" conflicts with the disclosure in the footnotes to the table and to the table at the top of page 13. Please advise or revise.

# Questions and Answers, page 7

7. We note the revision made in response to prior comment 12. Please clarify whether the consideration to be received in connection with the conversion of the preferred stock in the merger is more or less in value than the consideration being offered in the exchange offer for the same securities. Please revise the appropriate disclosure in this document to explain how, if at all, this difference in

Lawrence G. Wee, Esq. Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP June 25, 2010 Page 3

consideration for security holders who tender and those who do not affected the fairness determination made by the Schedule 13E-3 filing persons.

## **Schedule TO-T/A**

8. We note the material nature and extent of the revisions made to the offer document and the recommendation statement. Please tell us whether you have considered disseminating each document in an amended and restated form.

# Schedule 14D-9/A

### Item 4. The Solicitation or Recommendation

### Background, page 7

9. We note your response to prior comment 43. Revise your disclosure to explain why the Committee determined to continue its consideration of the proposed offer in light of the nature of Mr. Smulyan's offer. Did Mr. Smulyan's position affect the Committee's deliberation at all?

# Opinion of Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated, page 16

- 10. We reissue prior comment 45.
- 11. Given the revisions made in response to prior comment 47, it is unclear why your original presentation did not include all of the items necessary to follow the calculation from the initial Emmis metric to the final implied equity results. Please tell us, with a view toward revised disclosure, how security holders are able to follow the calculations made by Morgan Stanley in arriving at the results for each analysis without a tabular presentation that includes all components of the calculation.
- 12. We reissue prior comment 48. While we note that another version of the Morgan Stanley presentation has been filed, we are unable to find responsive disclosure with respect to the remaining portion of the prior comment.

## Reasons and Factors for the Recommendation of the Board, page 22

13. We note your response to prior comment 50 and we reissue it. We also note that the disclosure made with respect to the board's fairness determination does not appear to address the requirements of Item 1014 of Regulation M-A and that the board has adopted the Committee's analysis and discussion, but the Committee did not adopt the analysis of Morgan Stanley, which appears to render the Committee's analysis incomplete as to the requirements of Item 1014 of Regulation M-A.

Lawrence G. Wee, Esq. Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP June 25, 2010 Page 4

\* \* \* \*

As appropriate, please amend your filing in response to these comments. You may wish to provide us with marked copies of the amendment to expedite our review. Please furnish a cover letter with your amendment that keys your responses to our comments and provides any requested supplemental information. Detailed cover letters greatly facilitate our review. Please understand that we may have additional comments after reviewing your amendment and responses to our comments.

Please direct any questions relating to the filings to me at (202) 551-3619. You may also contact me via facsimile at (202) 772-9203. Please send all correspondence to us at the following ZIP code: 20549-3628.

Sincerely,

Daniel F. Duchovny Special Counsel Office of Mergers & Acquisitions