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## WILLIAM F. DUHAMEL PRESIDENT, DUHAMMEL BROADCASTING ENTERPRISES

Bill Duhamel is President of Duhamel Broadcasting Enterprises in Rapid City, South Dakota. Bill and his Mother, who founded the broadcasting company, have been local broadcasters in Western South Dakota for more than 50 years. Duhamel Broadcasting operates KOTA-TV, Rapid City, and three full-power satellite stations, serving Western South Dakota, Eastern Wyoming and the Nebraska Panhandle. These stations' combined service areas are equivalent to the area from Washington, D.C. to Boston to Buffalo, New York, but include only about 90,000 television households. Duhamel Broadcasting also operate four radio stations in the Black Hills.

Bill started as a late-night disc jockey on KOTA radio while a high school student. He received his undergraduate and Masters degrees in Economics and Accounting from St. Louis University and a Ph.D. from Stanford University Graduate School of Business in Management Science [Operations Research]. During graduate school Bill worked for IBM and as a Statistics instructor. After graduation he was an Assistant Professor of Quantitative Methods and Managerial Economics at the Northwestern University School of Business and an Econometrician for Whirlpool Corporation.

In 1967, Bill returned to Rapid City to join the family broadcast interests. He currently is a Board member of the Television Music License Committee and the Association for Maximum Service Television [MSTV], and has served on the NAB Television Board of Directors, The 97 Television Stations [Chairman], ABC Affiliates Board, CBS Radio Affiliates Board, the Rocky Mountain Broadcasters Association, and other numerous broadcasting boards. He was President of the South Dakota Broadcasters Association and a Board member and was chosen as SD Broadcaster of the Year. In 1997, President Clinton appointed him to the Gore Commission.

Bill has served as the Chairman of the Rapid City Area Chamber of Commerce [Board member for 13 years] and of the SD Health Authority [Board member for 26 years]. In addition, he has been on the Boards of Rapid City Regional Hospital, Mount Marty College, St. Martin's Academy, Rotary, RC Community Health Center, the Rural Ethnic Institute, the Finance Committee of Red Cloud Indian School, and numerous other community groups.

Bill and his wife Jacque had five children and served as foster parents to over forty other children until her death. Bill's present wife, Judy, serves as the South Dakota State Democratic Party Chairperson. Bill and Judy's new combined family includes eleven children, nine spouses, and 24 grandchildren.