# Form 10-Q/A

☑ QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 For the quarterly period ended: March 31, 2019

 $\ \square$  Transition report pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities exchange act of 1934 Commission file no. 1-33741



# A. H. Belo Corporation (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

| Texas  |                         | 38-3765318  |
|--|-------------------------|---|
| (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization  | tion)                   | (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)                          |
| P. O. Box 224866, Dallas, Texas 75222-4866   |                         | (214) 977-8222  |
| (Address of principal executive offices, including zip c   | ode) (F                 | Registrant's telephone number, including area code)           |
| Former name, former address  |                         |   |
| Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:  | None                    |   |
| Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act.  |                         |   |
| Title of each class  | <b>Trading Symbol</b>   | Name of each exchange on which registered                     |
| Series A Common Stock, \$.01 par value   | AHC                     | New York Stock Exchange                                       |
| Indicate by check mark whether registrant (1) has filed all Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 day   | shorter period that the | ne registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has |
| Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitt to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§ 232.405 of this chapter) was required to submit such files). Yes $\square$ No $\square$ |                         |   |
| Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large a company, or an emerging growth company. See the decompany," and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2                 | efinitions of "large a  | accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting   |
| Large accelerated filer: $\square$ Accelerated filer: $\square$  | Non-accelerated fi      | iler: $\square$ Smaller reporting company: $\square$          |
| Emerging growth company $\square$  |                         |   |
| If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if complying with any new or revised financial accounting st   |                         |   |
| Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell con   | mpany (as defined in l  | Rule 12b-2 of the Act). Yes $\square$ No $\square$            |
| Shares of Common Stock outstanding at April 25, 2019: 2 and 2,469,544 shares of Series B Common Stock).  | 21,513,493 shares (co   | onsisting of 19,043,949 shares of Series A Common Stock       |
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#### **Explanatory Note**

This Amendment No. 1 on Form 10-Q/A (the "Form 10-Q/A") is being filed to amend A. H. Belo Corporation's (the "Company") Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 29, 2019, for the quarter ended March 31, 2019 (the "original Form 10-Q"). As previously disclosed on Form 8-K filed on November 20, 2019, the Company will also be filing an amended quarterly report on Form 10-Q/A for the quarterly period ended June 30, 2019.

On March 18, 2020, the Company filed an Amendment No. 1 on Form 10-K/A (the "Form 10-K/A") to amend the Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 14, 2019, for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018. The Form 10-K/A was filed in order to reflect the appropriate timing of the noncash impairment charge for goodwill and long-lived assets associated with the Company's Marketing Services reporting unit and the appropriate methodology for calculation of the valuation allowance within the tax provision for 2018.

As a result, this Form 10-Q/A amends the Consolidated Balance Sheet as of March 31, 2019. In connection with the restatement, the Company re-calculated the income tax benefit for the three months ended March 31, 2019. The Company determined using an estimated annual effective tax rate to calculate the income tax benefit for the three months ended March 31, 2019 was appropriate, compared to the discrete year-to-date calculation of income tax expense or benefit used in prior interim periods and in the original Form 10-Q. The Consolidated Statement of Operations was restated to reflect additional income tax benefit primarily resulting from using an estimated annual effective tax rate, a reduction in other income, net for additional interest expense related to uncertain tax positions, and the reversal of amortization expense related to the Marketing Services long-lived assets impairment disclosed in the Form 10-K/A. The use of an estimated annual effective tax rate in determining the income tax benefit and a correction to the calculation of uncertain tax positions resulted in adjustments to deferred income taxes, net, other accrued expense, and other liabilities in the Consolidated Balance Sheet as of March 31, 2019. See the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements, Note 2 – Restatement of Financial Statements, for additional information.

In connection with the identification of these issues that led to the restatements described in this Form 10-Q/A, management of the Company re-evaluated the effectiveness of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures as of the end of the period covered by this report. As a result, management concluded that as of the end of the period covered by this report, due to material weaknesses in internal control over financial reporting described in Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K/A for the year ended December 31, 2018, the Company's disclosure controls and procedures were not effective. See Part I, Item 4.

Except for the items noted herein, no other changes have been made to the original Form 10-Q. This Form 10-Q/A has not been updated for events occurring after the filing of the original Form 10-Q and no attempt has been made in this Form 10-Q/A to modify or update other disclosures as presented in the original filing of the Form 10-Q, except as disclosed in Note 14 – Subsequent Events and Part II, Item 1A. Risk Factors. The following sections have been amended as a result of the restatement:

- Part I, Item 1. Financial Information
- · Part I, Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations
- · Part I, Item 4. Controls and Procedures

No other significant changes have been made to the original Form 10-Q except:

- · Conforming the cover page to the Securities and Exchange Commission Form 10-Q, updated May 2019
- The updating throughout this report of references to Form 10-Q to Form 10-Q/A
- The re-numbering throughout this report of references to the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements to reflect the addition of Note 2

In accordance with applicable SEC rules, this Form 10-Q/A includes certifications from our Chief Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer dated as of the date of this filing.

# A. H. BELO CORPORATION

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# **PART I**

### Item 1. Financial Information (Restated)

#### A. H. Belo Corporation and Subsidiaries Consolidated Statements of Operations

|  | Three Months Ended March 31, |            |    |            |  |  |  |
|--|------------------------------|------------|----|------------|--|--|--|
| In thousands, except share and per share amounts (unaudited) |                              | 2019       |    | 2018       |  |  |  |
|  |                              | (Restated) |    |            |  |  |  |
| Net Operating Revenue:                                       |                              |            |    |            |  |  |  |
| Advertising and marketing services                           | \$                           | 24,041     | \$ | 25,741     |  |  |  |
| Circulation  |                              | 17,273     |    | 17,747     |  |  |  |
| Printing, distribution and other                             |                              | 5,275      |    | 5,965      |  |  |  |
| Total net operating revenue                                  |                              | 46,589     |    | 49,453     |  |  |  |
| Operating Costs and Expense:                                 |                              |            |    |            |  |  |  |
| Employee compensation and benefits                           |                              | 21,124     |    | 24,672     |  |  |  |
| Other production, distribution and operating costs           |                              | 22,184     |    | 23,014     |  |  |  |
| Newsprint, ink and other supplies                            |                              | 4,747      |    | 5,311      |  |  |  |
| Depreciation   |                              | 2,386      |    | 2,473      |  |  |  |
| Amortization   |                              | 76         |    | 200        |  |  |  |
| Total operating costs and expense                            |                              | 50,517     |    | 55,670     |  |  |  |
| Operating loss   |                              | (3,928)    |    | (6,217)    |  |  |  |
| Other income, net  |                              | 829        |    | 888        |  |  |  |
| Loss Before Income Taxes                                     |                              | (3,099)    |    | (5,329)    |  |  |  |
| Income tax benefit   |                              | (964)      |    | (1,315)    |  |  |  |
| Net Loss   | \$                           | (2,135)    | \$ | (4,014)    |  |  |  |
| Per Share Basis  |                              |            |    |            |  |  |  |
| Net loss   |                              |            |    |            |  |  |  |
| Basic and diluted  | \$                           | (0.10)     | \$ | (0.19)     |  |  |  |
| Number of common shares used in the per share calculation:   | •                            | (1. 1)     | •  | ()         |  |  |  |
| Basic and diluted  |                              | 21,594,262 |    | 21,716,419 |  |  |  |
|  |                              | , , ,      |    | , ,        |  |  |  |

See the accompanying Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

# A. H. Belo Corporation and Subsidiaries Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income (Loss)

|  | Three Months Ended March 31, |            |      |         |  |  |
|--|------------------------------|------------|------|---------|--|--|
| In thousands (unaudited)                       | 2019                         |            | 2018 |         |  |  |
|  |                              | (Restated) |      |         |  |  |
| Net Loss                                       | \$                           | (2,135)    | \$   | (4,014) |  |  |
| Other Comprehensive Income (Loss), Net of Tax: |                              |            |      |         |  |  |
| Amortization of actuarial losses               |                              | 63         |      | 158     |  |  |
| Total other comprehensive income, net of tax   |                              | 63         |      | 158     |  |  |
| Total Comprehensive Loss                       | \$                           | (2,072)    | \$   | (3,856) |  |  |

See the accompanying Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

# A. H. Belo Corporation and Subsidiaries Consolidated Balance Sheets

| In thousands, except share amounts (unaudited)  | March 31,<br>2019 |                 | December 31,<br>2018 |
|---|-------------------|-----------------|----------------------|
|   |                   | (Restated)      | (Restated)           |
| Assets  |                   |                 |                      |
| Current assets:   | ф                 | E0 201          | Ф ББ 040             |
| Cash and cash equivalents   | \$                | 50,301          | \$ 55,313            |
| Accounts receivable (net of allowance of \$844 and \$581 at March 31, 2019                            |                   | 10 FE2          | 22.057               |
| and December 31, 2018, respectively) Inventories  |                   | 19,552<br>3,877 | 22,057<br>3,912      |
| Prepaids and other current assets   |                   | 6,367           | 5,023                |
| Assets held for sale  |                   | 1,089           | 1,089                |
| Total current assets  | _                 | 81,186          | 87,394               |
|   | _                 |                 |                      |
| Property, plant and equipment, at cost  |                   | 423,015         | 422,966              |
| Less accumulated depreciation   | _                 | (399,091)       |                      |
| Property, plant and equipment, net  |                   | 23,924          | 26,261               |
| Operating lease right-of-use assets   |                   | 22,527          | 204                  |
| Intangible assets, net  |                   | 228             | 304                  |
| Goodwill  Deformed income taxes, not  |                   | 4 250           | 2 572                |
| Deferred income taxes, net  |                   | 4,358           | 3,572<br>5,029       |
| Other assets  | d.                | 4,028           |                      |
| Total assets  | \$                | 136,251         | \$ 122,560           |
| Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity  |                   |                 |                      |
| Current liabilities:  | Φ.                | 4 505           | ф <u>соо</u>         |
| Accounts payable  | \$                | 4,725           |                      |
| Accrued compensation and benefits   |                   | 5,625           | 8,294                |
| Other accrued expense   |                   | 6,297           | 5,586                |
| Advance subscription payments   | _                 | 12,153          | 11,449               |
| Total current liabilities   | _                 | 28,800          | 31,663               |
| Long-term pension liabilities   |                   | 30,997          | 31,889               |
| Long-term operating lease liabilities   |                   | 23,862          |                      |
| Other post-employment benefits  |                   | 1,162           | 1,165                |
| Other liabilities   | _                 | 4,764           | 7,045                |
| Total liabilities   |                   | 89,585          | 71,762               |
| Shareholders' equity:   |                   |                 |                      |
| Preferred stock, \$.01 par value; Authorized 2,000,000 shares; none issued                            |                   | _               | _                    |
| Common stock, \$.01 par value; Authorized 125,000,000 shares  |                   |                 |                      |
| Series A: issued 20,854,739 and 20,854,728 shares at March 31, 2019                                   |                   | 200             | 200                  |
| and December 31, 2018, respectively   |                   | 209             | 209                  |
| Series B: issued 2,469,544 and 2,469,555 shares at March 31, 2019 and December 31, 2018, respectively |                   | 24              | 24                   |
| Treasury stock, Series A, at cost; 1,780,899 and 1,697,370 shares held at March 31, 2019 and          |                   |                 |                      |
| December 31, 2018, respectively   |                   | (12,941)        |                      |
| Additional paid-in capital  |                   | 494,389         | 494,389              |
| Accumulated other comprehensive loss  |                   | (37,578)        |                      |
| Accumulated deficit   | _                 | (397,437)       |                      |
| Total shareholders' equity  |                   | 46,666          | 50,798               |
| Total liabilities and shareholders' equity  | \$                | 136,251         | \$ 122,560           |

See the accompanying Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

# A. H. Belo Corporation and Subsidiaries Consolidated Statements of Shareholders' Equity

|  | Cor                | nmon Stock         |        | i                                | Treasur            | y Stock        |   |                        | _         |
|--|--------------------|--------------------|--------|----------------------------------|--------------------|----------------|---|------------------------|-----------|
| In thousands, except share amounts (unaudited) | Shares<br>Series A | Shares<br>Series B | Amount | Additional<br>Paid-in<br>Capital | Shares<br>Series A | Amount         | Accumulated<br>Other<br>Comprehensive<br>Loss | Accumulated<br>Deficit | Total     |
| Balance at December 31, 2017                   | 20,700,292         | 2,469,755          | \$ 232 | \$ 494,989                       | (1,430,961)        | \$ (11,302) \$ | (24,932)                                      | \$ (361,288)           | \$ 97,699 |
| Net loss                                       | _                  | _                  | _      | _                                | _                  | _              | _   | (4,014)                | (4,014)   |
| Other comprehensive income                     | _                  | _                  | _      | _                                | _                  | _              | 158   | _                      | 158       |
| Shares repurchased                             | _                  | _                  | _      | _                                | (108,778)          | (555)          | _   | _                      | (555)     |
| Issuance of shares for restricted stock units  | 117,102            | _                  | 1      | (1)                              | _                  | _              | _   | _                      | _         |
| Share-based compensation                       | _                  | _                  | _      | 617                              | _                  | _              | _   | _                      | 617       |
| Conversion of Series B to Series A             | 120                | (120)              | _      | _                                | _                  | _              | _   | _                      | _         |
| Dividends declared (\$0.08 per share)          |                    | _                  | _      | _                                | _                  | _              | _   | (1,781)                | (1,781)   |
| Balance at March 31, 2018                      | 20,817,514         | 2,469,635          | \$ 233 | \$ 495,605                       | (1,539,739)        | \$ (11,857) \$ | (24,774)                                      | \$ (367,083)           | \$ 92,124 |
| Balance at December 31, 2018 (Restated)        | 20,854,728         | 2,469,555          | \$ 233 | \$ 494,389                       | (1,697,370)        | \$ (12,601) \$ | (37,641)                                      | \$ (393,582)           | \$ 50,798 |
| Net loss (Restated)                            | _                  | _                  | _      | _                                | _                  | _              | _   | (2,135)                | (2,135)   |
| Other comprehensive income                     | _                  | _                  | _      | _                                | _                  | _              | 63  | _                      | 63        |
| Shares repurchased                             | _                  | _                  | _      | _                                | (83,529)           | (340)          | _   | _                      | (340)     |
| Conversion of Series B to Series A             | 11                 | (11)               | _      | _                                | _                  | _              | _   | _                      | _         |
| Dividends declared (\$0.08 per share)          |                    | _                  | _      | _                                | _                  | _              | _   | (1,720)                | (1,720)   |
| Balance at March 31, 2019 (Restated)           | 20,854,739         | 2,469,544          | \$ 233 | \$ 494,389                       | (1,780,899)        | \$ (12,941) \$ | 37,578)                                       | \$ (397,437)           | \$ 46,666 |

See the accompanying Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

# A. H. Belo Corporation and Subsidiaries Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

|  | Th | ree Months Ende | d March 31,      |  |
|--|----|-----------------|------------------|--|
| In thousands (unaudited)   |    | 2019            | 2018             |  |
|  |    | (Restated)      |                  |  |
| Operating Activities   |    |                 |                  |  |
| Net loss   | \$ | (2,135) \$      | (4,014)          |  |
| Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash provided by (used for) operating activities: |    |                 |                  |  |
| Depreciation and amortization  |    | 2,462           | 2,673            |  |
| Net periodic pension and other post-employment benefit                                     |    | (818)           | (930)            |  |
| Share-based compensation   |    | _               | 617              |  |
| Bad debt expense   |    | 400             | 241              |  |
| Deferred income taxes  |    | (786)           | (1,619)          |  |
| Loss on disposal of fixed assets   |    | _               | 186              |  |
| Changes in working capital and other operating assets and liabilities:                     |    | 2.405           | 0.040            |  |
| Accounts receivable  |    | 2,105           | 6,049            |  |
| Inventories, prepaids and other current assets   |    | (1,309)         | (1,478)          |  |
| Other assets   |    | 1,001           | 772              |  |
| Accounts payable   |    | (1,609)         | (2,566)          |  |
| Compensation and benefit obligations Other accrued expenses                                |    | (3,362)<br>595  | (2,089)<br>3,428 |  |
| Advance subscription payments  |    | 704             | 563              |  |
| Other post-employment benefits   |    | (14)            | (886)            |  |
|  |    | <u></u>         | 947              |  |
| Net cash provided by (used for) operating activities                                       |    | (2,766)         | 947              |  |
| Investing Activities   |    | (100)           | (2.207)          |  |
| Purchases of assets  |    | (180)           | (2,307)          |  |
| Net cash used for investing activities   |    | (180)           | (2,307)          |  |
| Financing Activities   |    |                 |                  |  |
| Dividends paid   |    | (1,726)         | (1,770)          |  |
| Shares repurchased   |    | (340)           | (555)            |  |
| Net cash used for financing activities   |    | (2,066)         | (2,325)          |  |
| Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents  |    | (5,012)         | (3,685)          |  |
| Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period   |    | 55,313          | 57,660           |  |
| Cash and cash equivalents, end of period   | \$ | 50,301 \$       | 53,975           |  |
|  |    |                 |                  |  |
| Supplemental Disclosures   |    |                 |                  |  |
| Income tax paid, net (refund)  | \$ | 9 \$            | (300)            |  |
| Noncash investing and financing activities:  |    |                 |                  |  |
| Investments in property, plant and equipment payable                                       |    |                 | 327              |  |
| Dividends payable  |    | 1,723           | 1,785            |  |

See the accompanying Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

#### A. H. Belo Corporation and Subsidiaries Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements

#### Note 1: Basis of Presentation and Recently Issued Accounting Standards

**Description of Business.** A. H. Belo Corporation and subsidiaries are referred to collectively herein as "A. H. Belo" or the "Company." The Company, headquartered in Dallas, Texas, is the leading local news and information publishing company in Texas with commercial printing, distribution and direct mail capabilities, as well as a presence in emerging media and digital marketing. While focusing on extending the Company's media platforms, A. H. Belo delivers news and information in innovative ways to a broad range of audiences with diverse interests and lifestyles. The Company publishes *The Dallas Morning News* (www.dallasnews.com), Texas' leading newspaper and winner of nine Pulitzer Prizes, and various niche publications targeting specific audiences.

**Basis of Presentation.** The interim consolidated financial statements included herein are unaudited; however, they include adjustments of a normal recurring nature which, in the Company's opinion, are necessary to present fairly the interim consolidated financial information as of and for the periods indicated. All intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation. These financial statements should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K/A for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018. All dollar amounts presented herein, except share and per share amounts, are in thousands, unless the context indicates otherwise.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP") requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect (i) the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, (ii) the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities known to exist as of the date the financial statements are published, and (iii) the reported amount of net operating revenues and expenses recognized during the periods presented. Adjustments made with respect to the use of estimates often relate to improved information not previously available. Uncertainties with respect to such estimates and assumptions are inherent in the preparation of financial statements; accordingly, actual results could differ from these estimates.

#### **Recently Adopted Accounting Pronouncements.**

In February 2016, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") 2016-02 – *Leases (Topic 842)*. This update requires an entity to recognize a right-of-use asset and a lease liability for virtually all of its leases. The liability will be equal to the present value of lease payments. The asset will generally be based on the liability. For income statement purposes operating leases will result in straight-line expense and finance leases will result in expenses similar to current capital leases. The guidance also requires additional disclosures to enable users of financial statements to understand the amount, timing and uncertainty of cash flows arising from leases. Since February 2016, the FASB issued clarifying updates to the new standard that did not change the core principle of ASU 2016-02. The new guidance will supersede virtually all existing lease guidance under GAAP and is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2018, including interim periods within those fiscal years. The Company adopted ASU 2016-02 on January 1, 2019, using the modified retrospective approach; see Note 5 – Leases.

**New Accounting Pronouncements.** The FASB issued the following accounting pronouncements and guidance, which may be applicable to the Company but have not yet become effective.

In August 2018, the FASB issued ASU 2018-14 – *Compensation – Retirement Benefits – Defined Benefit Plans – General (Subtopic 715-20): Disclosure Framework – Changes to the Disclosure Requirements for Defined Benefit Plans.* This update modifies the disclosure requirements for employers that sponsor defined benefit pension or other postretirement plans by removing disclosures that are no longer considered cost beneficial, clarifying the specific requirements of disclosures and adding disclosure requirements identified as relevant. The guidance will be effective for fiscal years ending after December 15, 2020. Early adoption is permitted. The Company is currently evaluating the requirements of this update and has not yet determined its impact on the Company's financial statement disclosures.

In August 2018, the FASB issued ASU 2018-15 – *Intangibles – Goodwill and Other – Internal-Use Software (Subtopic 350-40): Customer's Accounting for Implementation Costs Incurred in a Cloud Computing Arrangement That is a Service Contract.* This update clarifies the accounting for implementation costs incurred in a cloud computing arrangement, or hosting arrangement, that is a service contract. Costs for implementation activities incurred during the application development stage will be capitalized depending on the nature of the costs, while costs incurred during the preliminary project and post implementation stages will be expensed as the activities are performed. The capitalized implementation costs will be expensed over the term of the hosting arrangement. The guidance will be effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2019, and interim periods within those fiscal years. Early adoption is permitted. The Company is currently evaluating the requirements of this update and has not yet determined its impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

#### **Note 2: Restatement of Financial Statements**

The Company restated its financial statements to amend its Consolidated Balance Sheet as of March 31, 2019, related to the corrections disclosed in the December 31, 2018 Form 10-K/A. In connection with the restatement, the Company re-calculated the income tax benefit for the three months ended March 31, 2019. The Company determined using an estimated annual effective tax rate to calculate the income tax benefit for the three months ended March 31, 2019 was appropriate, compared to the discrete year-to-date calculation of income tax expense or benefit used in prior interim periods and in the original Form 10-Q. See Note 8 – Income Taxes. The Consolidated Statement of Operations was restated to reflect additional income tax benefit primarily resulting from using an estimated annual effective tax rate, a reduction in other income, net for additional interest expense related to uncertain tax positions, and the reversal of amortization expense related to the Marketing Services long-lived assets impairment disclosed in the Form 10-K/A. See Note 6 – Goodwill and Intangible Assets. The use of an estimated annual effective tax rate in determining the income tax benefit and a correction to the calculation of uncertain tax positions resulted in adjustments to deferred income taxes, net, other accrued expense, and other liabilities in the Consolidated Balance Sheet as of March 31, 2019.

The table below sets forth the impact of the restatement on the Consolidated Statement of Operations (unaudited).

|                                   |            | Three Months Ended March 31, 2019 |    |            |    |             |
|-----------------------------------|------------|-----------------------------------|----|------------|----|-------------|
|                                   | As Previou | ısly Reported                     |    | Adjustment |    | As Restated |
| Operating Costs and Expense:      |            |                                   |    |            |    |             |
| Amortization                      | \$         | 200                               | \$ | (124)      | \$ | 76          |
| Total operating costs and expense |            | 50,641                            |    | (124)      |    | 50,517      |
| Operating loss                    |            | (4,052)                           |    | 124        |    | (3,928)     |
| Other income, net                 |            | 897                               |    | (68)       |    | 829         |
| Loss Before Income Taxes          |            | (3,155)                           |    | 56         |    | (3,099)     |
| Income tax benefit                |            | (143)                             |    | (821)      |    | (964)       |
| Net Loss                          |            | (3,012)                           |    | 877        |    | (2,135)     |
|                                   |            |                                   |    |            |    |             |
| Per Share Basis                   |            |                                   |    |            |    |             |
| Net loss                          |            |                                   |    |            |    |             |
| Basic and diluted                 | \$         | (0.14)                            | \$ | 0.04       | \$ | (0.10)      |
|                                   |            |                                   |    |            |    |             |

The table below sets forth the impact of the restatement on the Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income (Loss) (unaudited).

|                          |          | Three Months Ended March 31, 2019 |    |            |    |             |  |
|--------------------------|----------|-----------------------------------|----|------------|----|-------------|--|
|                          | As Previ | As Previously Reported            |    | Adjustment |    | As Restated |  |
| Net Loss                 | \$       | (3,012)                           | \$ | 877        | \$ | (2,135)     |  |
| Total Comprehensive Loss |          | (2,949)                           |    | 877        |    | (2,072)     |  |

The table below sets forth the impact of the restatement on the Consolidated Balance Sheet (unaudited).

|  |                        | March 31, 2019 |            |          |             |           |  |
|--|------------------------|----------------|------------|----------|-------------|-----------|--|
|  | As Previously Reported |                | Adjustment |          | As Restated |           |  |
| Assets                                     |                        |                |            |          |             |           |  |
| Intangible assets, net                     | \$                     | 3,074          | \$         | (2,846)  | \$          | 228       |  |
| Goodwill                                   |                        | 13,973         |            | (13,973) |             | _         |  |
| Deferred income taxes, net                 |                        | 6,720          |            | (2,362)  |             | 4,358     |  |
| Total assets                               |                        | 155,432        |            | (19,181) |             | 136,251   |  |
| Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity       |                        |                |            |          |             |           |  |
| Other accrued expense                      | \$                     | 6,635          | \$         | (338)    | \$          | 6,297     |  |
| Total current liabilities                  |                        | 29,138         |            | (338)    |             | 28,800    |  |
| Other liabilities                          |                        | 4,696          |            | 68       |             | 4,764     |  |
| Total liabilities                          |                        | 89,855         |            | (270)    |             | 89,585    |  |
| Accumulated deficit                        |                        | (378,526)      |            | (18,911) |             | (397,437) |  |
| Total shareholders' equity                 |                        | 65,577         |            | (18,911) |             | 46,666    |  |
| Total liabilities and shareholders' equity |                        | 155,432        |            | (19,181) |             | 136,251   |  |
|  |                        |                |            |          |             |           |  |

The table below sets forth the impact of the restatement on the Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows (unaudited).

|  | Three Months Ended March 31, 2019 |               |    |           |    |             |
|--|-----------------------------------|---------------|----|-----------|----|-------------|
|  | As Previo                         | usly Reported | Ac | ljustment |    | As Restated |
| Operating Activities                           |                                   |               |    |           |    |             |
| Net loss                                       | \$                                | (3,012)       | \$ | 877       | \$ | (2,135)     |
| Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash  |                                   |               |    |           |    |             |
| provided by (used for) operating activities:   |                                   |               |    |           |    |             |
| Depreciation and amortization                  | \$                                | 2,586         | \$ | (124)     | \$ | 2,462       |
| Deferred income taxes                          |                                   | (303)         |    | (483)     |    | (786)       |
| Changes in working capital and other operating |                                   |               |    |           |    |             |
| assets and liabilities:                        |                                   |               |    |           |    |             |
| Other accrued expenses                         | \$                                | 865           | \$ | (270)     | \$ | 595         |
| -  |                                   |               |    |           |    |             |

**Note 3: Segment Reporting** 

The Company identified two reportable segments based on reporting structure and the go-to-market for the Company's service and product offerings. The two reportable segments are Publishing and Marketing Services.

The Publishing segment includes the Company's core print and digital operations associated with its newspapers, niche publications and related websites and apps. These operations generate revenue from sales of advertising within its newspaper and digital platforms, subscription and retail sales of its newspapers, commercial printing and distribution services, primarily related to national and regional newspapers, and preprint advertising. Businesses within the Publishing segment leverage its production facilities, subscriber and advertiser base, and digital news platforms to provide additional contribution margin. The Publishing segment's operating results includes \$5,205 and \$6,748 of corporate expense at March 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively. The Company evaluates Publishing operations based on operating profit and cash flows from operating activities.

The Marketing Services segment includes the operations of DMV Digital Holdings Company ("DMV Holdings") and digital advertising through Connect (programmatic advertising). The Company operates this integrated portfolio of assets within its Marketing Services segment as separate businesses that sell digital marketing and advertising through different channels, including programmatic advertising and content marketing within the social media environment.

Based on the organization of the Company's structure and organizational chart, the Company's chief operating decision maker (the "CODM") is its Chief Executive Officer, Robert W. Decherd. The CODM allocates resources and capital to the Publishing and Marketing Services segments at the segment level.

The tables below set forth summarized financial information for the Company's reportable segments. In the first quarter of 2019, the Company determined one of the Company's business units, previously reported in the Publishing segment, is now providing services and products more closely aligned with the Marketing Services segment. Beginning January 1, 2019, this business unit will be reported in the Marketing Services segment. The 2018 financial information by segment was recast for comparative purposes.

|                         | <u></u> | Three Months Ended March 31, |          |  |  |  |
|-------------------------|---------|------------------------------|----------|--|--|--|
|                         |         | 2019                         | 2018     |  |  |  |
|                         |         | (Restated)                   | (Recast) |  |  |  |
| Revenue                 |         |                              |          |  |  |  |
| Publishing              | \$      | 40,703 \$                    | 43,629   |  |  |  |
| Marketing Services      |         | 5,886                        | 5,824    |  |  |  |
| Total                   | \$      | 46,589 \$                    | 49,453   |  |  |  |
| Operating Income (Loss) |         |                              |          |  |  |  |
| Publishing              | \$      | (4,040) \$                   | (6,302)  |  |  |  |
| Marketing Services      |         | 112                          | 85       |  |  |  |
| Total                   | \$      | (3,928) \$                   | (6,217)  |  |  |  |
| Noncash Expenses        |         |                              |          |  |  |  |
| Publishing              |         |                              |          |  |  |  |
| Depreciation            | \$      | 2,317 \$                     | 2,436    |  |  |  |
| Total                   | \$      | 2,317 \$                     | 2,436    |  |  |  |
| Marketing Services      |         |                              |          |  |  |  |
| Depreciation            | \$      | 69 \$                        | 37       |  |  |  |
| Amortization            |         | 76                           | 200      |  |  |  |
| Total                   | \$      | 145 \$                       | 237      |  |  |  |
|                         |         |                              |          |  |  |  |

|                    | March 31,<br>2019 |    | December 31,<br>2018 |
|--------------------|-------------------|----|----------------------|
|                    | (Restated)        |    | (Restated)           |
| Total Assets       | · /               |    | · ´                  |
| Publishing         | \$<br>126,434     | \$ | 117,289              |
| Marketing Services | 9,817             |    | 5,271                |
| Total              | \$<br>136,251     | \$ | 122,560              |

Note 4: Revenue

#### **Revenue Recognition**

Revenue is recognized when obligations under the terms of a contract with our customer are satisfied. This occurs when control of the promised goods or services is transferred to our customers, in an amount that reflects the consideration we expect to be entitled to in exchange for those goods or services. Sales tax collected concurrent with revenue-producing activities are excluded from revenue.

Accounts receivable are reported net of a valuation reserve that represents an estimate of amounts considered uncollectible. The Company estimates the allowance for doubtful accounts based on historical write-off experience and the Company's knowledge of the customers' ability to pay amounts due. Accounts are written-off after all collection efforts fail; generally, after one year has expired. Expense for such uncollectible amounts is included in other production, distribution and operating costs.

The table below sets forth revenue disaggregated by revenue source.

|                                    | <br>Three Months Ended March 31, |    |        |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|----|--------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
|                                    | 2019                             |    | 2018   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Advertising revenue                | \$<br>18,155                     | \$ | 19,917 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Digital services                   | 4,309                            |    | 4,468  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Other services                     | 1,577                            |    | 1,356  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Advertising and marketing services | 24,041                           |    | 25,741 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Circulation                        | 17,273                           |    | 17,747 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Printing, distribution and other   | 5,275                            |    | 5,965  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total Revenue                      | \$<br>46,589                     | \$ | 49,453 |  |  |  |  |  |  |

#### **Advertising and Marketing Services Revenue**

Advertising revenue, included in the Publishing segment results, is generated by selling print and digital advertising products. Print advertising revenue represents sales of advertising space within the Company's core and niche newspapers, as well as preprinted advertisements inserted into the Company's core newspapers and niche publications or distributed to non-subscribers through the mail. Digital advertising is generated by selling banner and real estate classified advertising on *The Dallas Morning News*' website *dallasnews.com*, online employment and obituary classified advertising on third-party websites sold under a print/digital bundle package and sales of online automotive classifieds on the *cars.com* platform.

Digital services and other services revenues are included in the Marketing Services segment results. Digital services revenue includes targeted and multi-channel (programmatic) advertising placed on third-party websites, content development, social media management, search optimization, and other consulting. Other services revenue is primarily generated from the sale of promotional merchandise.

Advertising and marketing services revenue is primarily recognized at a point in time when the ad or service is complete and delivered, based on the customers' contract price. In addition, certain digital advertising revenue related to website access is recognized over time, based on the customers' monthly rate.

For ads placed on certain third-party websites, the Company must evaluate whether it is acting as the principal, where revenue is reported on a gross basis, or acting as the agent, where revenue is reported on a net basis. Generally, the Company reports advertising revenue for ads placed on third-party websites on a net basis, meaning the amount recorded to revenue is the amount billed to the customer net of amounts paid to the publisher of the third-party website. The Company is acting as the agent because the publisher controls the advertising inventory.

#### Circulation

Circulation revenue, included in the Publishing segment results, is generated primarily by selling home delivery and digital subscriptions, as well as single copy sales to non-subscribers. Home delivery and single copy revenue is recognized at a point in time when the paper is delivered or purchased. Digital subscriptions are recognized over time, based on the customers' monthly rate.

#### **Printing, Distribution and Other**

Printing, distribution and other revenue, included in the Publishing segment results, is primarily generated from printing and distribution of other newspapers, as well as production of preprinted advertisements for other newspapers. Printing, distribution and other revenue is recognized at a point in time when the product or service is delivered.

#### **Remaining Performance Obligations**

The Company has various Publishing advertising contracts and Marketing Services digital services contracts that range from 13 months to 36 months. The Company recognizes revenue on the advertising contracts over the term of the agreement at a point in time when the service or product is delivered. The Company recognizes revenue on the digital services contracts over time, based on the customers' monthly rate. At March 31, 2019, the remaining performance obligation was \$3,495. The Company expects to recognize \$1,293 over the remainder of 2019, \$1,196 in 2020, \$886 in 2021, and \$120 in 2022.

#### **Deferred Revenue**

Deferred revenue is recorded when cash payments are received in advance of the Company's performance, including amounts which are refundable. The short-term and long-term deferred revenue balance as of March 31, 2019, was \$14,525, included in advance

subscription payments, other accrued expense and other liabilities in the Consolidated Balance Sheet. In the three months ended March 31, 2019, the balance increased \$1,930, primarily driven by cash payments received in advance of satisfying our performance obligations, offset by \$7,241 of revenue recognized that was included in the deferred revenue balance as of December 31, 2018.

#### **Practical Expedients and Exemptions**

The Company generally expenses sales commissions and circulation acquisition costs when incurred because the amortization period would have been one year or less. These costs are recorded within employee compensation and benefits expense and other production, distribution and operating costs expense, respectively.

The Company does not disclose the value of unsatisfied performance obligations for contracts with an original expected length of one year or less and contracts for which revenue is recognized at the amount invoiced for services performed.

#### Note 5: Leases

#### Adoption of ASU 2016-02 - Leases (Topic 842)

On January 1, 2019, the Company adopted ASU 2016-02 using the modified retrospective approach applied to all leases with a remaining lease term greater than one year. Results for reporting periods beginning after January 1, 2019, are presented in accordance with the new guidance under ASU 2016-02, while prior period amounts are not restated. The adoption of the new lease guidance resulted in the Company recognizing operating lease right-of-use assets and lease liabilities based on the present value of remaining minimum lease payments. For the discount rate assumption, the implicit rate was not readily determinable in the Company's lease agreements. Therefore, the Company used an estimated secured incremental borrowing rate, based on the Company's credit rating, adjusted for the weighted average term of each lease in determining the present value of lease payments. There was no impact to opening retained earnings.

The Company elected the practical expedients available under ASU 2016-02 and applied them consistently to all applicable leases. The Company did not apply ASU 2016-02 to any leases with a remaining term of 12 months or less. For these leases, no asset or liability was recorded and lease expense continues to be recognized on a straight-line basis over the lease term. As allowed by the practical expedients, the Company does not reassess whether any expired or existing contracts are or contain leases, does not reassess the lease classification for any expired or existing leases and does not reassess initial direct costs for existing leases. Additionally, the Company does not separately identify lease and nonlease components, such as maintenance costs.

#### **Lease Accounting**

The Company has various operating leases primarily for office space and other distribution centers, some of which include escalating lease payments and options to extend or terminate the lease. The Company determines if a contract is a lease at the inception of the arrangement. The exercise of lease renewal options are at the Company's sole discretion and options are recognized when it is reasonably certain the Company will exercise the option. The Company's leases have remaining terms of less than one year to 15 years. The Company does not have lease agreements with residual value guarantees, sale leaseback terms or material restrictive covenants.

The Company has a sublease with Denton Publishing Company for a remaining term of approximately four years. Additionally, the Company has various subleases with distributors, for distribution center space, with varying remaining lease terms of less than one year to two years and are cancellable with notice by either party. As of March 31, 2019, sublease income is expected to approximate \$390 for the remainder of 2019, \$341 in 2020, \$232 in 2021, \$221 in 2022, and \$129 in 2023.

Operating lease right-of-use assets and liabilities are recognized at commencement date of lease agreements greater than one year based on the present value of lease payments over the lease term. Lease expense is recognized on a straight-line basis over the lease term and variable lease costs are expensed as incurred. As of March 31, 2019, the Company does not have any significant additional operating leases that have not yet commenced.

The table below sets forth supplemental Consolidated Balance Sheet information for the Company's leases.

|   | Classification                        | March 31, 2019 |
|---|---------------------------------------|----------------|
| Assets  |                                       |                |
| Operating                                     | Operating lease right-of-use assets   | \$<br>22,527   |
|   |                                       |                |
| Liabilities                                   |                                       |                |
| Operating                                     |                                       |                |
| Current                                       | Other accrued expense                 | \$<br>1,802    |
| Noncurrent                                    | Long-term operating lease liabilities | <br>23,862     |
| Total lease liabilities                       |                                       | \$<br>25,664   |
|   |                                       |                |
| Lease Term and Discount Rate                  |                                       |                |
| Operating leases                              |                                       |                |
| Weighted average remaining lease term (years) |                                       | 12.2           |
| Weighted average discount rate                |                                       | 7.4 %          |

The table below sets forth components of lease expense and supplemental cash flow information for the Company's leases.

|   | _  | Three Months Ended<br>March 31, 2019 |
|---|----|--------------------------------------|
| Lease Cost  |    |                                      |
| Operating lease cost  | \$ | 1,038                                |
| Short-term lease cost   |    | 46                                   |
| Variable lease cost   |    | 90                                   |
| Sublease income   |    | (161)                                |
| Total lease cost  | \$ | 1,013                                |
|   | _  |                                      |
| Supplemental Cash Flow Information                              |    |                                      |
| Cash paid for operating leases included in operating activities | \$ | 998                                  |

The table below sets forth the remaining maturities of the Company's lease liabilities as of March 31, 2019.

| Years Ending December 31, | Орє | erating Leases |
|---------------------------|-----|----------------|
| 2019                      | \$  | 2,700          |
| 2020                      |     | 3,480          |
| 2021                      |     | 3,450          |
| 2022                      |     | 3,398          |
| 2023                      |     | 2,986          |
| Thereafter                |     | 24,506         |
| Total lease payments      |     | 40,520         |
| Less: imputed interest    |     | 14,856         |
| Total lease liabilities   | \$  | 25,664         |

The table below sets forth the future minimum obligations for operating leases in effect as of December 31, 2018, as determined prior to the adoption of ASU 2016-02. Total operating lease expense was \$4,688 for the year ended December 31, 2018.

|                             | _  |        |             |             |             |             |             |              |
|-----------------------------|----|--------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|
|                             |    | Total  | <br>2019    | <br>2020    | <br>2021    | <br>2022    | 2023        | Thereafter   |
| Operating lease commitments | \$ | 41,837 | \$<br>4,403 | \$<br>3,588 | \$<br>3,575 | \$<br>3,467 | \$<br>3,533 | \$<br>23,271 |

#### **Note 6: Goodwill and Intangible Assets**

The table below sets forth goodwill and other intangible assets by reportable segment as of March 31, 2019 and December 31, 2018. The Company's Publishing and Marketing Services segments each operate as a single reporting unit with all corporate expenses included in Publishing. There are no intangible assets or goodwill remaining for the Publishing segment.

|                          | _  | March 31,<br>2019 | December 31,<br>2018 |
|--------------------------|----|-------------------|----------------------|
| -                        |    | (Restated)        | <br>(Restated)       |
| Goodwill                 |    | (незинеи)         | (Nestateu)           |
| Marketing Services       | \$ | _                 | \$<br>_              |
| ŭ                        |    |                   |                      |
| Intangible Assets        |    |                   |                      |
| Marketing Services       |    |                   |                      |
| Cost                     | \$ | 1,520             | \$<br>6,470          |
| Accumulated Amortization |    | (1,292)           | (3,196)              |
| Asset Impairments        |    | _                 | (2,970)              |
| Net Carrying Value       | \$ | 228               | \$<br>304            |

The intangible assets consist of \$1,520 of developed technology with an estimated useful life of five years and the net carrying value of \$228 will be fully expensed by the end of 2019. Aggregate amortization expense was \$76 and \$200 for the three months ended March 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

#### **Note 7: Related Party Transactions**

On March 1, 2019, the Company made a loan of \$200 to eSite Analytics, Inc. As of March 31, 2019 and December 31, 2018, the Company had a note receivable of \$850 and \$650, respectively, included in prepaids and other current assets, and other assets in the Consolidated Balance Sheets. The Company accounts for eSite Analytics, Inc. as an equity method investment.

#### **Note 8: Income Taxes**

The Company historically determined the quarterly income tax provision using a discrete year-to-date calculation due to volatility in the newspaper industry and the resulting inability to reliably forecast income or loss before income taxes. In connection with the restatement, the Company re-calculated the income tax benefit for the three months ended March 31, 2019 using an estimated annual effective tax rate based on its annual income before income taxes, adjusted for permanent differences, which it applied to the year-to-date loss before income taxes. Although volatility still exists in the newspaper industry, the Company is appropriately using an estimated annual effective tax rate to calculate its quarterly income tax provision, given the Company's ability to reliably forecast for the current annual period.

The Company recognized income tax benefit of \$964 and \$1,315 for the three months ended March 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively. Effective income tax rates were 31.1 percent and 24.7 percent for the three months ended March 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively. The effective income tax rate for the three months ended March 31, 2019, was due to additional losses generated from operations and an increase in the deferred tax asset, offset by the effect of the Texas margin tax.

#### **Note 9: Pension and Other Retirement Plans**

**Defined Benefit Plans.** The Company sponsors the A. H. Belo Pension Plans (the "Pension Plans"), which provide benefits to approximately 1,400 current and former employees of the Company. A. H. Belo Pension Plan I provides benefits to certain current and former employees primarily employed with *The Dallas Morning News* or the A. H. Belo corporate offices. A. H. Belo Pension Plan II provides benefits to certain former employees of The Providence Journal Company. This obligation was retained by the Company upon the sale of the newspaper operations of *The Providence Journal*. No additional benefits are accruing under the A. H. Belo Pension Plans, as future benefits were frozen.

No contributions are required to the A. H. Belo Pension Plans in 2019 under the applicable tax and labor laws governing pension plan funding.

#### Net Periodic Pension Benefit

The Company's estimates of net periodic pension expense or benefit are based on the expected return on plan assets, interest on the projected benefit obligations and the amortization of actuarial gains and losses that are deferred in accumulated other comprehensive loss. The table below sets forth components of net periodic pension benefit, which are included in other income, net in the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

|                                  | Three Months E | nded M | arch 31, |
|----------------------------------|----------------|--------|----------|
|                                  | 2019           |        | 2018     |
| Interest cost                    | \$<br>1,974    | \$     | 1,796    |
| Expected return on plans' assets | (2,867)        |        | (2,894)  |
| Amortization of actuarial loss   | 70             |        | 168      |
| Net periodic pension benefit     | \$<br>(823)    | \$     | (930)    |

**Defined Contribution Plans.** The A. H. Belo Savings Plan (the "Savings Plan"), a defined contribution 401(k) plan, covers substantially all employees of A. H. Belo. Participants may elect to contribute a portion of their pretax compensation as provided by the Savings Plan and the Internal Revenue Code. Employees can contribute up to 100 percent of their annual eligible compensation less required withholdings and deductions up to statutory limits. The Company provides an ongoing dollar-for-dollar match of eligible employee contributions, up to 1.5 percent of the employees' compensation. During the three months ended March 31, 2019 and 2018, the Company recorded expense of \$213 and \$243, respectively, for matching contributions to the Savings Plan.

#### Note 10: Shareholders' Equity

**Dividends.** On March 7, 2019, the Company's board of directors declared an \$0.08 per share dividend to shareholders of record as of the close of business on May 17, 2019, which is payable on June 7, 2019. During the three months ended March 31, 2019, the Company recorded \$1,723 to accrue for dividends declared but not yet paid, included in other accrued expense in the Consolidated Balance Sheet.

**Treasury Stock.** The Company repurchased shares of its common stock pursuant to a publicly announced share repurchase program authorized by the Company's board of directors. In the first quarter of 2019, the Company's board of directors authorized an additional 1,500,000 shares for repurchase. During the first quarter of 2019, the Company repurchased 83,529 shares of its Series A common stock at a total cost of \$340.

**Outstanding Shares.** The Company had Series A and Series B common stock outstanding of 19,073,840 and 2,469,544, respectively, net of treasury shares at March 31, 2019. At December 31, 2018, the Company had Series A and Series B common stock outstanding of 19,157,358 and 2,469,555, respectively, net of treasury shares.

Accumulated other comprehensive loss. Accumulated other comprehensive loss consists of actuarial gains and losses attributable to the A. H. Belo Pension Plans, gains and losses resulting from Pension Plans' amendments and other actuarial experience attributable to other post-employment benefit ("OPEB") plans. The Company records amortization of the components of accumulated other comprehensive loss in employee compensation and benefits in its Consolidated Statements of Operations. Gains and losses associated with the A. H. Belo Pension Plans are amortized over the weighted average remaining life expectancy of the Pension Plans' participants. Gains and losses associated with the Company's OPEB plans are amortized over the average remaining service period of active OPEB plans' participants.

The tables below set forth the changes in accumulated other comprehensive loss, net of tax, as presented in the Company's consolidated financial statements.

|                              | Three Months Ended March 31, |    |                                   |    |  |   |          |    |                                    |    |  |
|------------------------------|------------------------------|----|-----------------------------------|----|--|---|----------|----|------------------------------------|----|--|
|                              |                              |    | 2019                              |    |  |   |          |    | 2018                               |    |  |
|                              | Total                        | be | Defined<br>nefit pension<br>plans |    | Other post-<br>employment<br>benefit plans |   | Total    | b  | Defined<br>enefit pension<br>plans |    | Other post-<br>employment<br>benefit plans |
| Balance, beginning of period | \$<br>(37,641)               | \$ | (38,003)                          | \$ | 362  | 9 | (24,932) | \$ | (25,434)                           | \$ | 502  |
| Amortization                 | 63                           |    | 70                                |    | (7)  |   | 158      |    | 168                                |    | (10)                                       |
| Balance, end of period       | \$<br>(37,578)               | \$ | (37,933)                          | \$ | 355  | 9 | (24,774) | \$ | (25,266)                           | \$ | 492  |

#### **Note 11: Earnings Per Share**

The table below sets forth the reconciliation for net loss and weighted average shares used for calculating basic and diluted earnings per share ("EPS"). The Company's Series A and Series B common stock equally share in the distributed and undistributed earnings.

|  | <br>Three Months Ended March 31, |    |            |  |  |  |  |
|--|----------------------------------|----|------------|--|--|--|--|
|  | 2019                             |    | 2018       |  |  |  |  |
|  | (Restated)                       |    |            |  |  |  |  |
| Earnings (Numerator)   |                                  |    |            |  |  |  |  |
| Net loss   | \$<br>(2,135)                    | \$ | (4,014)    |  |  |  |  |
| Less: dividends to participating securities                    | <br><u> </u>                     |    | 45         |  |  |  |  |
| Net loss available to common shareholders                      | \$<br>(2,135)                    | \$ | (4,059)    |  |  |  |  |
|  |                                  |    |            |  |  |  |  |
| Shares (Denominator)   |                                  |    |            |  |  |  |  |
| Weighted average common shares outstanding (basic and diluted) | 21,594,262                       |    | 21,716,419 |  |  |  |  |
|  |                                  |    |            |  |  |  |  |
| Loss Per Share   |                                  |    |            |  |  |  |  |
| Basic and diluted  | \$<br>(0.10)                     | \$ | (0.19)     |  |  |  |  |

Holders of service-based restricted stock units ("RSUs") participate in A. H. Belo dividends on a one-for-one share basis. Distributed and undistributed income associated with participating securities is included in the calculation of EPS under the two-class method as prescribed under ASC 260 – *Earnings Per Share*.

The Company considers outstanding stock options and RSUs in the calculation of earnings per share. A total of 670,111 options and RSUs outstanding as of March 31, 2018, were excluded from the calculation because the effect was anti-dilutive. There were no options or RSUs outstanding as of March 31, 2019.

#### Note 12: Contingencies

**Legal proceedings.** From time to time, the Company is involved in a variety of claims, lawsuits and other disputes arising in the ordinary course of business. Management routinely assesses the likelihood of adverse judgments or outcomes in these matters, as well as the ranges of probable losses to the extent losses are reasonably estimable. Accruals for contingencies are recorded when, in the judgment of management, adverse judgments or outcomes are probable and the financial impact, should an adverse outcome occur, is reasonably estimable. The determination of likely outcomes of litigation matters relates to factors that include, but are not limited to, past experience and other evidence, interpretation of relevant laws or regulations and the specifics and status of each matter. Predicting the outcome of claims and litigation and estimating related costs and financial exposure involves substantial uncertainties that could cause actual results to vary materially from estimates and accruals. In the opinion of management, liabilities, if any, arising from other currently existing claims against the Company would not have a material adverse effect on A. H. Belo's results of operations, liquidity or financial condition.

#### **Note 13: Sales of Assets**

**Sales of Assets.** Assets held for sale include long-lived assets being actively marketed for which a sale is considered probable within the next 12 months. These assets are recorded at the lower of their fair value less costs to sell or their carrying value at the time they are classified as assets held for sale. Real estate assets in downtown Dallas, Texas, previously used as the corporate headquarters, are available for sale. These assets, with a total carrying value of \$1,089, are reported as assets held for sale as of March 31, 2019 and December 31, 2018.

#### **Note 14: Subsequent Events**

The Company evaluates subsequent events at the date of the consolidated balance sheet as well as conditions that arise after the balance sheet date but before the consolidated financial statements are issued. To the extent any events and conditions exist, disclosures are made regarding the nature of events and the estimated financial effects for those events and conditions. The Company re-evaluated subsequent events in connection with the restatement and reissuance of these financial statements for events which arose since the previously issued consolidated financial statements were issued through the date these consolidated financial statements were reissued. The Company is not aware of any subsequent events which would require recognition or disclosure in the consolidated financial statements other than those listed below.

On April 1, 2019, the Company completed the acquisition of certain assets of Cubic, Inc. for a cash purchase price of \$2,356, net of \$213 cash acquired. The new entity Cubic Creative, Inc. is located in Tulsa, Oklahoma and has 25 employees. This acquisition adds creative strategy services, which will be complementary to service offerings currently available to A. H. Belo clients. The acquired operations will be included in the Marketing Services segment. Operating results of the business acquired will be included in the Consolidated Statements of Operations from the acquisition date forward. The Company does not expect the acquisition to be material to its financial position or results of operations.

On May 17, 2019, the Company completed the sale of the real estate assets in downtown Dallas, Texas, previously used as the Company's headquarters for a sale price of \$28,000. The sale price consisted of \$4,597 cash received, after selling costs of approximately \$1,000, and a two-year seller-financed promissory note of \$22,400. The sale provides the Company an additional \$1,000 contingency payment if certain conditions are met, however at this time the Company does not believe these conditions are probable. These assets had a carrying value of \$1,089, and were reported as assets held for sale in the Consolidated Balance Sheets as of March 31, 2019 and December 31, 2018.

Beginning in January 2020, there has been an outbreak of the Coronavirus Disease 2019 ("COVID-19" or "virus"), which has been declared a "pandemic" by the World Health Organization. The full impact of COVID-19 is unknown and rapidly evolving. The outbreak and any preventative or protective actions that the Company or its customers may take in respect of this virus may result in a period of disruption, including the Company's financial reporting capabilities, its operations generally and could potentially impact the Company's customers, distribution partners, advertisers, production facilities, and third parties. Any resulting financial impact cannot be reasonably estimated at this time, but may materially affect the business and the Company's financial condition and results of operations. The extent to which the COVID-19 impacts the Company's results will depend on future developments, which are highly uncertain and cannot be predicted, including new information which may emerge concerning the severity of COVID-19 and the actions to contain the virus or treat its impact, among others.

#### Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations (Restated)

A. H. Belo intends for the discussion of its financial condition and results of operations that follows to provide information that will assist in understanding its financial statements, the changes in certain key items in those statements from period to period, and the primary factors that accounted for those changes, as well as how certain accounting principles, policies and estimates affect its financial statements. The following information should be read in conjunction with the Company's consolidated financial statements and related notes filed as part of this report. Unless otherwise noted, amounts in Management's Discussion and Analysis reflect continuing operations of the Company, and all dollar amounts are presented in thousands, except share and per share amounts.

#### **OVERVIEW**

A. H. Belo, headquartered in Dallas, Texas, is the leading local news and information publishing company in Texas with commercial printing, distribution and direct mail capabilities, as well as a presence in emerging media and digital marketing. While focusing on extending the Company's media platforms, A. H. Belo delivers news and information in innovative ways to a broad range of audiences with diverse interests and lifestyles.

The Company's Publishing segment includes the operations of *The Dallas Morning News* (<u>www.dallasnews.com</u>), Texas' leading newspaper and winner of nine Pulitzer Prizes, and various niche publications targeting specific audiences. Its newspaper operations also provide commercial printing and distribution services to large national and regional newspapers and other businesses in Texas. The segment includes sales of online automotive classifieds on the <u>cars.com</u> platform. In addition, the Publishing segment includes all corporate expenses.

All other operations are reported within the Company's Marketing Services segment. These operations primarily include DMV Digital Holdings Company ("DMV Holdings") and its subsidiaries Distribion, Inc. ("Distribion"), Vertical Nerve, Inc. ("Vertical Nerve") and CDFX, LLC ("MarketingFX"). The segment also includes targeted display advertising generated by Connect (programmatic advertising).

#### RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

#### **Consolidated Results of Operations (unaudited)**

This section contains discussion and analysis of net operating revenue, expense and other information relevant to an understanding of results of operations for the three months ended March 31, 2019 and 2018. In the first quarter of 2019, the Company determined one of the Company's business units, previously reported in the Publishing segment, is now providing services and products more closely aligned with the Marketing Services segment. Beginning January 1, 2019, this business unit will be reported in the Marketing Services segment. The 2018 financial information by segment was recast for comparative purposes.

This Form 10-Q/A amends the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 29, 2019, (the "original Form 10-Q") to reflect the restatement of the Company's financial statements for the quarter ended March 31, 2019. In connection with the restatement, the Company re-calculated the income tax benefit for the three months ended March 31, 2019. The Company determined using an estimated annual effective tax rate to calculate the income tax benefit for the three months ended March 31, 2019 was appropriate, compared to the discrete year-to-date calculation of income tax expense or benefit used in prior interim periods and in the original Form 10-Q. The Consolidated Statement of Operations was restated to reflect additional tax benefit primarily resulting from using an estimated annual effective tax rate, a reduction in other income, net for additional interest expense related to uncertain tax positions, and the reversal of amortization expense related to the Marketing Services long-lived assets impairment disclosed in the December 31, 2018 Form 10-K/A. See the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements, Note 2 - Restatement of Financial Statements, for additional information.

The table below sets forth the components of A. H. Belo's operating income (loss) by segment.

|                                    | <br>Thre      | e Months Ended March 3 | 1, |          |
|------------------------------------|---------------|------------------------|----|----------|
|                                    | 2019          | Percentage<br>Change   |    | 2018     |
|                                    | (Restated)    |                        |    | (Recast) |
| Publishing                         |               |                        |    |          |
| Advertising and marketing services | \$<br>18,155  | (8.8) %                | \$ | 19,917   |
| Circulation                        | 17,273        | (2.7) %                |    | 17,747   |
| Printing, distribution and other   | 5,275         | (11.6)%                |    | 5,965    |
| Total Net Operating Revenue        | 40,703        | (6.7) %                |    | 43,629   |
| Total Operating Costs and Expense  | 44,743        | (10.4) %               |    | 49,931   |
| Operating Loss                     | \$<br>(4,040) | 35.9 %                 | \$ | (6,302)  |
| Marketing Services                 |               |                        |    |          |
| Advertising and marketing services | \$<br>5,886   | 1.1 %                  | \$ | 5,824    |
| Total Net Operating Revenue        | 5,886         | 1.1 %                  |    | 5,824    |
| Total Operating Costs and Expense  | 5,774         | 0.6 %                  |    | 5,739    |
| Operating Income                   | \$<br>112     | 31.8 %                 | \$ | 85       |

Traditionally, the Company's primary revenues are generated from advertising within its core newspapers, niche publications and related websites and from subscription and single copy sales of its printed newspapers. As a result of competitive and economic conditions, the newspaper industry has faced a significant revenue decline over the past decade. Therefore, the Company has sought to diversify its revenues through development and investment in new product offerings, increased circulation rates and leveraging of its existing assets to offer cost efficient commercial printing and distribution services to its local markets. The Company continually evaluates the overall performance of its core products to ensure existing assets are deployed adequately to maximize return.

The Company's advertising revenue from its core newspapers continues to be adversely affected by the shift of advertiser spending to other forms of media and the increased accessibility of free online news content, as well as news content from other sources, which resulted in declines in advertising and paid print circulation volumes and revenue. The most significant decline in advertising revenue has been attributable to print display and classified categories. These categories have declined to 17.6 percent of consolidated revenue thus far in 2019, and further declines are likely in future periods. Decreases in print display and classified categories are indicative of continuing trends by advertisers towards digital platforms, which are widely available from many sources. In the current environment,

companies are allocating more of their advertising spending towards programmatic channels that provide digital advertising on multiple platforms with enhanced technology for targeted delivery and measurement.

The Company has responded to these challenges by expanding programmatic channels through which it works to meet customer demand for digital advertisement opportunities in display, mobile, video and social media categories. By utilizing advertising exchanges to apply marketing insight, the Company believes it offers greater value to clients through focused targeting of advertising to potential customers. The Company has a meter on its website and continues to build a base of paid digital subscribers.

The Company's expanded digital and marketing services product offerings leverage the Company's existing resources and relationships to offer additional value to existing and new advertising clients. Solutions provided by DMV Holdings include development of mobile websites, search engine marketing and optimization, video, mobile advertising, email marketing, advertising analytics and online reputation management services.

#### Advertising and marketing services revenue

Advertising and marketing services revenue was 51.6 percent and 52.0 percent of total revenue for the three months ended March 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

|                                    | <br>Three Months Ended March 31, |                      |    |          |  |  |  |  |  |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------|----|----------|--|--|--|--|--|
|                                    | 2019                             | Percentage<br>Change |    | 2018     |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                    |                                  |                      |    | (Recast) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Publishing                         |                                  |                      |    |          |  |  |  |  |  |
| Advertising revenue                | \$<br>18,155                     | (8.8) %              | \$ | 19,917   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Marketing Services                 |                                  |                      |    |          |  |  |  |  |  |
| Digital services                   | 4,309                            | (3.6) %              |    | 4,468    |  |  |  |  |  |
| Other services                     | 1,577                            | 16.3 %               |    | 1,356    |  |  |  |  |  |
| Advertising and Marketing Services | \$<br>24,041                     | (6.6) %              | \$ | 25,741   |  |  |  |  |  |

#### **Publishing**

Advertising Revenue — The Company has a comprehensive portfolio of print and digital advertising products, which include display, classified, preprint and digital advertising. Display and classified print revenue primarily represents sales of advertising space within the Company's core and niche newspapers. As advertisers continue to diversify marketing budgets to incorporate more and varied avenues of reaching consumers, traditional display and classified advertising continues to decline. Display and classified print revenue decreased \$511 in the three months ended March 31, 2019, primarily due to lower classified advertising in all categories.

Preprint revenue primarily reflects preprinted advertisements inserted into the Company's core newspapers and niche publications, or distributed to non-subscribers through the mail. Revenue decreased \$1,023 due to a volume decline in preprint newspaper inserts, consistent with the decline in circulation volumes discussed below.

Digital Publishing revenue is primarily comprised of banner and real estate classified advertising on *The Dallas Morning News*' website *dallasnews.com*, online employment and obituary classified advertising on third-party websites sold under a print/digital bundle package and sales of online automotive classifieds on the *cars.com* platform. Revenue decreased \$228 primarily due to a lower volume of online advertisements on *dallasnews.com*.

#### **Marketing Services**

**Digital services** – Digital marketing revenue includes targeted and multi-channel advertising placed on third-party websites, content development, social media management, search optimization, and other consulting. Revenue decreased \$159 for the three months ended March 31, 2019, primarily due to the attrition of several accounts.

**Other services** – Other services revenue increased \$221 in the three months ended March 31, 2019, due to an increase in the sale of promotional merchandise by MarketingFX.

#### Circulation revenue

Circulation revenue was 37.1 percent and 35.9 percent of total revenue for the three months ended March 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

|             | Three Months Ended March 31, |         |    |        |  |
|-------------|------------------------------|---------|----|--------|--|
|             | Percentage<br>2019 Change 2  |         |    | 2018   |  |
| Publishing  |                              |         |    |        |  |
| Circulation | \$<br>17,273                 | (2.7) % | \$ | 17,747 |  |

Revenue decreased due to home delivery and single copy paid print circulation volume declines of 12.5 percent and 20.2 percent, respectively, for the three months ended March 31, 2019. The volume declines were partially offset by rate increases.

#### Printing, distribution and other revenue

Printing, distribution and other revenue was 11.3 percent and 12.1 percent of total revenue for the three months ended March 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

|                                  | <br>Three Months Ended March 31, |          |    |       |  |  |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------|----|-------|--|--|
|                                  | Percentage<br>2019 Change        |          |    |       |  |  |
| Publishing                       |                                  |          |    |       |  |  |
| Printing, Distribution and Other | \$<br>5,275                      | (11.6) % | \$ | 5,965 |  |  |

Revenue decreased in the three months ended March 31, 2019, due to the Company eliminating its brokered printing business in which it provided services direct to small business clients. Additionally, the Company reduced the number of local and national commercial print customers it serves from more than 30 to five.

#### **Operating Costs and Expense**

The table below sets forth the components of the Company's operating costs and expense.

|  |      | Three Months Ended March 31, |                      |    |          |  |
|--|------|------------------------------|----------------------|----|----------|--|
|  | 2019 |                              | Percentage<br>Change |    | 2018     |  |
|  |      | (Restated)                   |                      |    | (Recast) |  |
| Publishing   |      |                              |                      |    |          |  |
| Employee compensation and benefits                 | \$   | 18,062                       | (15.3)%              | \$ | 21,315   |  |
| Other production, distribution and operating costs |      | 20,046                       | (4.7)%               |    | 21,039   |  |
| Newsprint, ink and other supplies                  |      | 4,318                        | (16.0)%              |    | 5,141    |  |
| Depreciation                                       |      | 2,317                        | (4.9)%               |    | 2,436    |  |
| Marketing Services                                 |      |                              |                      |    |          |  |
| Employee compensation and benefits                 |      | 3,062                        | (8.8)%               |    | 3,357    |  |
| Other production, distribution and operating costs |      | 2,138                        | 8.3 %                |    | 1,975    |  |
| Newsprint, ink and other supplies                  |      | 429                          | 152.4 %              |    | 170      |  |
| Depreciation                                       |      | 69                           | 86.5 %               |    | 37       |  |
| Amortization                                       |      | 76                           | (62.0)%              |    | 200      |  |
| Total Operating Costs and Expense                  | \$   | 50,517                       | (9.3)%               | \$ | 55,670   |  |

#### **Publishing**

**Employee compensation and benefits** – The Company continues to implement measures to optimize its workforce and reduce risk associated with future obligations for employee benefit plans. Employee compensation and benefits decreased \$3,253 in the three months ended March 31, 2019, primarily due to headcount reductions of 126.

**Other production, distribution and operating costs** – Expense decreased \$993 in the three months ended March 31, 2019, reflecting savings as the Company continues to manage discretionary spending. Savings were primarily generated by reductions in distribution expense related to delivery of the Company's various publications and products.

**Newsprint, ink and other supplies** – Expense decreased due to reduced newsprint costs associated with lower circulation volumes and the elimination of brokered printing for small business clients. Newsprint consumption for the three months ended March 31, 2019 and 2018, approximated 3,806 and 4,999 metric tons, respectively.

**Depreciation** – Expense decreased in the three months ended March 31, 2019, due to a lower depreciable asset base as a higher level of in-service assets are now fully depreciated.

#### **Marketing Services**

**Employee compensation and benefits** – Expense decreased \$295 in the three months ended March 31, 2019, primarily due to fewer headcount and a decrease in variable compensation.

**Other production, distribution and operating costs** – Expense increased \$163 in the three months ended March 31, 2019, primarily due to an increase in revenue-related expenses.

**Newsprint, ink and other supplies** – Expense increased \$259 in the three months ended March 31, 2019, primarily due to an increase in promotional material printing costs associated with MarketingFX.

**Depreciation** – Expense increased in the three months ended March 31, 2019, due to a higher depreciable asset base as additional assets were purchased to support technology investments.

Amortization – Expense is related to developed technology associated with DMV Holdings

#### Other

The table below sets forth the other components of the Company's results of operations.

|                    | <br>Three Months Ended March 31, |                      |      |         |  |
|--------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------|------|---------|--|
|                    | 2019                             | Percentage<br>Change | 2018 |         |  |
|                    | (Restated)                       |                      |      | _       |  |
| Other income, net  | \$<br>829                        | (6.6)%               | \$   | 888     |  |
|                    |                                  |                      |      |         |  |
| Income tax benefit | \$<br>(964)                      | 26.7 %               | \$   | (1,315) |  |

**Other income, net** – Other income, net is primarily comprised of net periodic pension and other post-employment benefit of \$818 and \$930 for the three months ended March 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively. Gain (loss) on disposal of fixed assets, gain (loss) from investments, and interest income (expense) are also included in other income, net.

**Income tax benefit** – The Company recognized income tax benefit of \$964 and \$1,315 for the three months ended March 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively. Effective income tax rates were 31.1 percent and 24.7 percent for the three months ended March 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively. The effective income tax rate for the three months ended March 31, 2019, was due to additional losses generated from operations and an increase in the deferred tax asset, offset by the effect of the Texas margin tax.

Legal proceedings – From time to time, the Company is involved in a variety of claims, lawsuits and other disputes arising in the ordinary course of business. Management routinely assesses the likelihood of adverse judgments or outcomes in these matters, as well as the ranges of probable losses to the extent losses are reasonably estimable. Accruals for contingencies are recorded when, in the judgment of management, adverse judgments or outcomes are probable and the financial impact, should an adverse outcome occur, is reasonably estimable. The determination of likely outcomes of litigation matters relates to factors that include, but are not limited to, past experience and other evidence, interpretation of relevant laws or regulations and the specifics and status of each matter. Predicting the outcome of claims and litigation and estimating related costs and financial exposure involves substantial uncertainties that could cause actual results to vary materially from estimates and accruals. In the opinion of management, liabilities, if any, arising from other currently existing claims against the Company would not have a material adverse effect on A. H. Belo's results of operations, liquidity or financial condition.

#### **Liquidity and Capital Resources**

The Company's cash balances as of March 31, 2019 and December 31, 2018, were \$50,301 and \$55,313, respectively.

The Company intends to hold existing cash for purposes of future investment opportunities, potential return of capital to shareholders and for contingency purposes. Although revenue from Publishing operations is expected to continue to decline in future periods, operating contributions expected from the Company's Marketing Services businesses and other cost cutting measures, are expected to be sufficient to fund operating activities and capital spending of approximately \$1,800 over the remainder of the year.

The future payment of dividends is dependent upon available cash after considering future operating and investing requirements and cannot be guaranteed. The Company continued stock repurchases under its prior board-authorized repurchase authority and in the first quarter of 2019, the board authorized an additional 1,500,000 shares for repurchase. Current holdings of treasury stock can be sold on the open market.

The following discusses the changes in cash flows by operating, investing and financing activities.

#### **Operating Cash Flows**

Net cash provided by (used for) operating activities for the three months ended months ended March 31, 2019 and 2018, was \$(2,766) and \$947, respectively. Cash flows from operating activities decreased by \$3,713 during the three months ended March 31, 2019, when compared to the prior year period, primarily due to changes in working capital and other operating assets and liabilities.

#### **Investing Cash Flows**

Net cash used for investing activities was \$180 and \$2,307 for the three months ended March 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively, all of which is attributable to capital spending.

#### **Financing Cash Flows**

Net cash used for financing activities was \$2,066 and \$2,325 for the three months ended March 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively. Cash used for financing activities included dividend payments of \$1,726 and \$1,770 in 2019 and 2018, respectively. Additionally, in 2019, the Company purchased 83,529 shares of its Series A common stock at a cost of \$340 under its share repurchase program.

#### **Financing Arrangements**

None.

#### **Contractual Obligations**

Under the applicable tax and labor laws governing pension plan funding, no contributions to the A. H. Belo Pension Plans are required in 2019.

On March 7, 2019, the Company's board of directors declared an \$0.08 per share dividend to shareholders of record as of the close of business on May 17, 2019, which is payable on June 7, 2019.

Additional information related to the Company's contractual obligations is available in Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K/A for the year ended December 31, 2018, filed on March 18, 2020, with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC").

#### **Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates**

Beginning January 1, 2019, the Company adopted Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") 2016-02 – Leases (Topic 842). As a result, the Company implemented changes to the Company's polices related to processes around evaluating and accounting for leases or arrangements that contain a lease. Under the new standard, for substantially all leases an operating lease right-of-use asset and liability is recognized at commencement date based on the present value of lease payments over the lease term.

Except for adoption of the new lease guidance (Topic 842), no material changes were made to the Company's critical accounting policies as set forth in "Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations", included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K/A filed with the SEC for the year ended December 31, 2018.

#### Forward-Looking Statements

Statements in this communication concerning A. H. Belo Corporation's business outlook or future economic performance, revenues, expenses, and other financial and non-financial items that are not historical facts, including statements of the Company's expectations relating to the outcome of its ongoing review of asset impairment and related items and the timing of its anticipated amendment of the second quarter 2019 report, its late third quarter 2019 report and its 2019 Form 10-K with the Securities and Exchange Commission and filing future reports, are "forward-looking statements" as the term is defined under applicable federal securities laws. Forward-looking statements are subject to risks, uncertainties and other factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those statements. Such risks, trends and uncertainties are, in most instances, beyond the Company's control, and include unanticipated challenges in completing the 2019 audit process or filing the Company's late reports, the impact of the COVID-19 virus outbreak on the Company's financial reporting capabilities and its operations generally and the potential impact of such virus on the Company's customers, distribution partners, advertisers and production facilities and third parties, as well as changes in advertising demand and other economic conditions; consumers' tastes; newsprint prices; program costs; labor relations; technology obsolescence; as well as other risks described in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K and in the Company's other public disclosures and filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Forward-looking statements, which are as of the date of this filing, are not updated to reflect events or circumstances after the date of the statement.

#### Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk

There were no material changes in A. H. Belo Corporation's exposure to market risk from the disclosure included in the Annual Report on Form 10-K/A for the year ended December 31, 2018.

#### Item 4. Controls and Procedures (Restated)

#### **Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures**

Disclosure controls and procedures, as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Exchange Act, are controls that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by the Company in reports filed or submitted under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms, and that such information is accumulated and communicated to management, including the Company's Chief Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. In designing disclosure controls and procedures, management is required to apply its judgment in evaluating the cost-benefit relationship of possible disclosure controls and procedures. The design of any disclosure controls and procedures is also based, in part, upon certain assumptions about the likelihood of future events and there can be no assurance that any design will succeed in achieving its stated goals under all potential future conditions.

The Company's management, with the participation of its Chief Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer, initially evaluated the effectiveness of the design and operation of its disclosure controls and procedures in connection with the preparation of the Company's original Form 10-Q for the period ended March 31, 2019. The Company disclosed in its original Form 10-Q that, based on that evaluation, management concluded the Company's disclosure controls and procedures were effective. In connection with the restatements described in this Form 10-Q/A, the Company's management with the participation of its Chief Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer re-evaluated the effectiveness of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures as of the end of the period covered by this report. As a result, management concluded that as of the end of the period covered by this report, due to material weaknesses in internal control over financial reporting described in Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K/A for the year ended December 31, 2018 (the "Management's Report on Internal Controls"), the Company's disclosure controls and procedures were not effective.

Notwithstanding the material weaknesses, management believes the consolidated financial statements included in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q/A present fairly, in all material respects, the Company's financial condition, results of operations and cash flows at and for the periods presented in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

#### Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

The Company's management, with oversight from the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors of the Company, is actively engaged in remediation efforts to address the material weaknesses identified in the Management's Report on Internal Controls. Management has taken a number of actions to remediate the 2018 material weaknesses including the following:

- · Improve monitoring and risk assessment activities to address these control deficiencies.
- Increase the level of review and analysis of work performed by management and third-party tax professionals in the preparation of the Company's provision for income taxes.
- Enhance the controls over impairment testing for both goodwill and the long-lived assets to ensure the controls are designed and
  operating effectively to include properly identifying triggering events along with enhancing controls around the reviews of
  assumptions used in impairment tests.
- · Improve the risk assessment and design of monitoring activities over change-management and the review of user access to the Company's IT systems and strengthen the review of activities conducted by users with elevated access.
- Institute change-management controls over reports generated by the Company's IT systems, which are used in the execution of key controls.
- · Implement additional process-level controls over revenue recognition of new contracts.
- Develop and deliver further Internal Controls training to individuals associated with these control deficiencies and enhance training provided to all personnel who have financial reporting or internal control responsibilities in these areas. The training will include a review of individual roles and responsibilities related to internal controls, proper oversight and reemphasize the importance of completing the control procedures.

These improvements are targeted at strengthening the Company's internal control over financial reporting and remediating the 2018 material weaknesses. The Company remains committed to an effective internal control environment and management believes that these actions and the improvements management expects to achieve as a result, will effectively remediate the 2018 material weaknesses. However, the material weaknesses in the Company's internal control over financial reporting will not be considered remediated until the controls operate for a sufficient period of time and management has concluded, through testing that these controls operate effectively. As of the date of filing this Form 10-Q/A, management is in the process of testing and evaluating these additional controls to determine whether they are operating effectively.

#### **Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

Beginning January 1, 2019, the Company adopted ASU 2016-02 – Leases (Topic 842). The Company implemented new lease management software and changes to processes related to lease accounting and the control activities within them. The changes are primarily related to processes around evaluating and accounting for leases or arrangements that contain a lease. Under the new standard, for substantially all leases an operating lease right-of-use asset and liability is recognized at commencement date based on the present value of lease payments over the lease term.

Except as related to the adoption of the new lease guidance (Topic 842) and the material weaknesses described above, there have been no changes in the Company's internal control over financial reporting identified in connection with the evaluation required by Rules 13a-15(d) and 15d-15(d) of the Exchange Act that occurred during the first fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2019, that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting. The material weaknesses discussed above were subsequently identified and will result in future mitigation activities.

#### **PART II**

#### Item 1. Legal Proceedings

A number of legal proceedings are pending against A. H. Belo. In the opinion of management, liabilities, if any, arising from these legal proceedings would not have a material adverse effect on A. H. Belo's results of operations, liquidity or financial condition.

#### Item 1A. Risk Factors

Except as updated below, there were no material changes from the risk factors disclosed under the heading "Risk Factors" in Item 1A in the Annual Report on Form 10-K/A for the year ended December 31, 2018.

#### Recent COVID-19 and other pandemic outbreaks could negatively impact A. H. Belo's businesses and results of operations.

The Company may face risks related to the recent outbreak of the Coronavirus Disease 2019 ("COVID-19" or "virus"), which has been declared a "pandemic" by the World Health Organization. The full impact of COVID-19 is unknown and rapidly evolving. The outbreak and any preventative or protective actions that the Company or its customers may take in respect of this virus may result in a period of disruption, including the Company's financial reporting capabilities, its operations generally and could potentially impact the Company's customers, distribution partners, advertisers, production facilities, and third parties. Any resulting financial impact cannot be reasonably estimated at this time, but may materially affect the business and the Company's financial condition and results of operations. The extent to which the COVID-19 impacts the Company's results will depend on future developments, which are highly uncertain and cannot be predicted, including new information which may emerge concerning the severity of COVID-19 and the actions to contain the virus or treat its impact, among others.

#### Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds

There were no unregistered sales of the Company's equity securities during the period covered by this report.

#### **Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities**

The Company repurchased shares of its common stock pursuant to a publicly announced share repurchase program authorized by the Company's board of directors. In the first quarter of 2019, the Company's board of directors authorized an additional 1,500,000 shares for repurchase. During 2019, the Company repurchased 83,529 shares of its Series A common stock at a total cost of \$340. All purchases were made through open market transactions and were recorded as treasury stock.

The following table contains information for shares repurchased during the first quarter of 2019. None of the shares in this table were repurchased directly from any of the Company's officers or directors.

| Period        | Total Number<br>of Shares<br>Purchased | Average Price<br>Paid per Share |      | Total Number of<br>Shares Purchased as<br>Part of Publicly<br>Announced Plans<br>or Programs | Maximum Number of<br>Shares that May Yet<br>Be Purchased Under<br>the Plans or Programs |
|---------------|--|---------------------------------|------|--|---|
| January 2019  | 37,813                                 | \$                              | 4.13 | 1,735,183  | 764,817   |
| February 2019 | 36,377                                 |                                 | 4.06 | 1,771,560  | 728,440   |
| March 2019    | 9,339                                  |                                 | 3.90 | 1,780,899  | 2,219,101   |

#### Item 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities

None.

**Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures** 

None.

**Item 5. Other Information** 

None.

#### Item 6. Exhibits

Exhibits marked with an asterisk (\*) are incorporated by reference to documents previously filed by the Company with the SEC, as indicated. In accordance with Regulation S-T, the XBRL-related information marked with a double asterisk (\*\*) in Exhibit No. 101 to this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q/A is deemed filed. All other documents are filed with this report. Exhibits marked with a tilde (~) are management contracts, compensatory plan contracts or arrangements filed pursuant to Item 601(b)(10)(iii)(A) of Regulation S-K.

#### Exhibit Number Agreement and Plan of Merger dated April 23, 2018 by and between A. H. Belo Corporation and A. H. Belo Texas, Inc. 2.1 (Exhibit 2.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 23, 2018 (Securities and Exchange Commission File No. 001-33741) (the "April 23, 2018 Form 8-K")) Certificate of Formation of A. H. Belo Corporation (successor to A. H. Belo Texas, Inc.)(Exhibit 3.1 to the April 23, 2018 3.1 Form 8-K) 3.2 Certificate of Merger (Delaware) of A. H. Belo Corporation with and into A. H. Belo Texas, Inc. (Exhibit 3.3 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on July 2, 2018 (Securities and Exchange Commission File No. 001-33741) (the "July 2, 2018 Form 8-K")) 3.3 Certificate of Merger (Texas) of A. H. Belo Corporation with and into A. H. Belo Texas, Inc. (Exhibit 3.4 to the July 2, 2018 Form 8-K) 3.4 Bylaws of A. H. Belo Corporation (successor to A. H. Belo Texas, Inc.) (Exhibit 3.2 to the April 23, 2018 Form 8-K) 4.1(a) \* Certain rights of the holders of the Company's Common Stock set forth in Exhibits 3.1-3.4 above 4.1(b) \* Description of Capital Stock (Exhibit 4.1 to the July 2, 2018 Form 8-K) Specimen Form of Certificate representing shares of the Company's Series A Common Stock (Exhibit 4.2 to the July 2, 2018 4.2 Form 8-K) 4.3 Specimen Form of Certificate representing shares of the Company's Series B Common Stock (Exhibit 4.3 to the July 2, 2018 Form 8-K) 10.1 **Material Contracts** \* Sublease Agreement for Old Dallas Library Building dated December 30, 2016 (Exhibit 10.1 to A. H. Belo (1)Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on January 3, 2017 (Securities and Exchange Commission File No. 001-33741) (the "January 3, 2017 Form 8-K")) (2) \* Guaranty of Lease dated December 30, 2016 (Exhibit 10.2 to the January 3, 2017 Form 8-K)

#### Exhibit Number

#### Description

#### 10.2 \* Compensatory plans and arrangements:

- ~(1) \* A. H. Belo Savings Plan as Amended and Restated Effective January 1, 2015 (Exhibit 10.2(1) to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 6, 2015 (Securities and Exchange Commission File No. 001-33741))
  - \* (a) First Amendment to the A. H. Belo Savings Plan effective January 1, 2016 (Exhibit 10.2(1)(a) to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on November 1, 2016 (Securities and Exchange Commission File No. 001-33741))
  - \* (b) Second Amendment to the A. H. Belo Savings Plan effective September 8, 2016 (Exhibit 10.2(1)(b) to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on November 1, 2016 (Securities and Exchange Commission File No. 001-33741))
  - \* (c) Third Amendment to the A. H. Belo Savings Plan dated September 7, 2017 (Exhibit 10.3 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on September 8, 2017 (Securities and Exchange Commission File No. 001-33741)(the "September 8, 2017 Form 8-K"))
  - \* (d) Fourth Amendment to the A. H. Belo Savings Plan (Exhibit 10.2 to the July 2, 2018 Form 8-K)
  - \* (e) Fifth Amendment to the A. H. Belo Savings Plan dated November 27, 2018 (Exhibit 10.2(1)(E) to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 29, 2019 (Securities and Exchange Commission File No. 001-33741)(the "1<sup>±</sup> Quarter 2019 Form 10-Q"))
  - \* (f) Sixth Amendment to the A. H. Belo Savings Plan dated April 1, 2019 (Exhibit 10.2(1)(F) to the 1<sup>a</sup> Quarter 2019 Form 10-Q)
- ~(2) \* A. H. Belo Corporation 2008 Incentive Compensation Plan (Exhibit 10.5 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 12, 2008) (the "February 12, 2008 Form 8-K")
  - \* (a) First Amendment to A. H. Belo 2008 Incentive Compensation Plan effective July 23, 2008 (Exhibit 10.2(2)(a) to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on August 14, 2008 (Securities and Exchange Commission File No. 001-33741))
  - \* (b) Form of A. H. Belo 2008 Incentive Compensation Plan Evidence of Grant (for Non-Employee Director Awards) (Exhibit 10.2(2)(b) to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on May 13, 2010 (Securities and Exchange Commission File No. 001-33741) (the "1st Quarter 2010 Form 10-Q"))
  - \* (c) Form of A. H. Belo 2008 Incentive Compensation Plan Evidence of Grant (for Employee Awards) (Exhibit 10.1 to A. H. Belo Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 12, 2012 (Securities and Exchange Commission File No. 001-33741) (the "March 12, 2012 Form 8-K"))
- ~(3) \* A. H. Belo 2017 Incentive Compensation Plan (Exhibit I to A. H. Belo Corporation's Schedule 14A Proxy Statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 28, 2017)
  - \* (a) First Amendment to the A. H. Belo 2017 Incentive Compensation Plan (Exhibit 10.1 to the July 2, 2018 Form 8-K)
  - \* (b) Form of A. H. Belo 2017 Incentive Compensation Plan Evidence of Grant (for Non-Employee Directors) (Exhibit 10.1 to A. H. Belo Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on May 12, 2017 (Securities and Exchange Commission File No. 001-33741) (the "May 12, 2017 Form 8-K"))
  - \* (c) Form of A. H. Belo 2017 Incentive Compensation Plan Evidence of Grant (for Employee Awards) (Exhibit 10.2 to the May 12, 2017 Form 8-K)
- ~(4) \* Form of A. H. Belo Cash Long-Term Incentive Compensation Evidence of Grant (for Employee Awards) (Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 14, 2019 (Securities and Exchange Commission File No. 001-33741))
- ~(5) \* A. H. Belo Corporation Change In Control Severance Plan (Exhibit 10.7 to the February 12, 2008 Form 8-K)
  - \* (a) Amendment to the A. H. Belo Change in Control Severance Plan dated March 31, 2009 (Exhibit 10.3 to the April 2, 2009 Form 8-K)

| Exhibit<br>Number | Desc     | ription  |
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|                   | ~<br>(6) | * Robert W. Decherd Compensation Arrangements dated June 19, 2013 (Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on June 19, 2013)  |
|                   | ~<br>(7) | * Timothy M. Storer Amended and Restated Employment Agreement dated December 10, 2018 (Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on December 11, 2018 (Securities and Exchange Commission File No. 001-33741) (the "December 11, 2018 Form 8-K")) |
|                   | ~<br>(8) | * James M. Moroney III Employment Agreement dated April 18, 2018 (Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's April 18, 2018 Form 8-K)   |
| 10.3 *            | Agr      | ements relating to the separation of A. H. Belo from its former parent company:  |
|                   | (1)      | * Pension Plan Transfer Agreement by and between Belo Corp. and A. H. Belo Corporation dated as of October 6, 2010 (Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on October 8, 2010 (Securities and Exchange Commission File No. 001-33741))         |
|                   | (2)      | * Agreement among the Company, Belo Corp., and The Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, effective March 9, 2011 (Exhibit 10.3(6) to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 11, 2011 (Securities and Exchange Commission File No. 001-33741))         |
| 31.1              |          | Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002   |
| 31.2              |          | Certification of principal financial officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002   |
| 32                |          | Certifications of Chief Executive Officer and principal financial officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002   |
| 101.INS           |          | ** XBRL Instance Document  |
| 101.SCH           |          | ** XBRL Taxonomy Extension Scheme  |
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| 101.LAB           |          | ** XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document   |
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#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Company has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

#### A. H. BELO CORPORATION

By: /s/ Katy Murray

Katy Murray

Senior Vice President/Chief Financial Officer

(Principal Financial Officer)

Dated: March 26, 2020

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#### **SECTION 302 CERTIFICATION**

- I, Robert W. Decherd, Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer of A. H. Belo Corporation, certify that:
- 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q/A of A. H. Belo Corporation;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions
    about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such
    evaluation; and
  - d) disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - a) all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - b) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

By: /s/ Robert W. Decherd

Robert W. Decherd

Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer

Date: March 26, 2020

#### **SECTION 302 CERTIFICATION**

- I, Katy Murray, Senior Vice President/Chief Financial Officer of A. H. Belo Corporation, certify that:
- 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q/A of A. H. Belo Corporation;
- Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions
    about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such
    evaluation; and
  - d) disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - a) all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - b) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

By: /s/ Katy Murray

Katy Murray

Senior Vice President/Chief Financial Officer

Date: March 26, 2020

# CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Quarterly Report of A. H. Belo Corporation (the "Company") on Form 10-Q/A for the period ended March 31, 2019, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), the undersigned, Robert W. Decherd, Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company, and Katy Murray, Senior Vice President/Chief Financial Officer of the Company, each hereby certifies, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1350, as adopted pursuant to § 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

By: /s/ Robert W. Decherd

Robert W. Decherd

Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer

Date: March 26, 2020

By: /s/ Katy Murray

Katy Murray

Senior Vice President/Chief Financial Officer

Date: March 26, 2020