Exhibit A

Audit Committee Recommendations for Open Meeting Compliance

1. Publish an enhanced Open Meetings Policy on the VPT website, which shall read as follows:

VPT maintains an open meetings policy to the public with regards to meetings of its Board of Directors, any committee of the Board, and the VPT Community Council. Members of the public are welcome to attend such meetings, except when they are conducted in closed session to discuss a matter that is not appropriate for public disclosure. Closed sessions can be conducted to consider matters relating to individual employees, proprietary information, litigation, and other matters requiring the confidential advice of counsel, commercial or financial information obtained from a person on a privileged or confidential basis, or the purchase of property or services whenever the premature exposure of such purchase would compromise the business interests of any such organization.

VPT will give reasonable notice to the public of the fact, time and place of an open meeting -- at least one week (7 days) in advance of the scheduled date of an open meeting -- and will allow all persons to attend any open meeting of the Board or Board committee without requiring, as a condition of attendance, that the person register or provide such person's name or any other information, except as would be reasonably required to maintain a safe meeting environment. If a meeting is closed pursuant to one of the recognized exceptions noted above, VPT make available to the public, within a reasonable period of time after the closed meeting, a written statement containing an explanation of the reason(s) for closing the meeting.

Notice of meetings will be provided via an announcement accessible on VPT's web site (http://www.vpt.org) and by letter, e-mail, fax, phone, or in person to any individuals who have specifically requested to be notified. In addition, VPT will make on-air announcements in advance of regularly scheduled Board meetings. Finally, VPT will make on-air announcements on at least three consecutive days during each calendar quarter that explain the station's open meeting policy and provide detail on how the public can obtain information regarding specific dates, times, and locations of Board or committee meetings.

- Designate two individuals -- a VPT senior officer and a VPT Board member -- as having joint responsibility for overseeing the organization's compliance with Open Meeting Requirements. These "Designated Officials" will be the President/CEO of VPT and the Chair of the Board's Governance Committee. The Designated Officials will be responsible for deciding, in advance, whether a meeting may be conducted in closed session, and for ensuring that any pre- or post-meeting notices that may be required are issued.
- 3. Require that every meeting of the Board or a committee begin with: (i) confirmation that prior notice requirements or any other Open Meeting Requirements obligations have been fulfilled, and (ii) if the meeting is to be conducted as an entirely closed session, documentation of the basis for the closed session and confirmation that the conduct of business in the closed session

- will be limited to the matters forming such basis. These determinations shall be made in consultation with the Designated Officials.
- 4. Require that every meeting of the Board or a committee close with confirmation that the person presiding over the meeting will coordinate with the Designated Officials to ensure that any postmeeting requirements are fulfilled.
- 5. Implement an Open Meeting Requirements checklist that Board and committee chairs would use during each meeting to accomplish Items # 3 and 4 above.
- 6. Expand the Open Meeting Requirements training provided to new Board members during orientation to promote early awareness and understanding of such requirements.
- 7. Provide an annual training/briefing on the Open Meeting Requirements, which would be provided to all Board and senior VPT officials at a set time each year (e.g., during the annual retreat).
- 8. Require an annual written acknowledgement from each Board member that he/she has reviewed the Open Meeting Requirements and understands the obligations thereunder.
- 9. Before VPT submits its annual Certification of Eligibility to CPB, the Designated Officials will review the terms of this Certification with members of the Board to confirm that they are not aware of any failure to comply with CPB requirements.
- 10. Implement an annual review by the Audit Committee of compliance with the Open Meetings Requirements, in coordination with the Designated Officials. This review shall be completed in advance of VPT's submission of the annual Certification of Eligibility to CPB.