

IMPORTANT COPYRIGHT ROYALTY TRIBUNAL RATE ADJUSTMENTS APPEALED

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The Copyright Royalty Tribunal has taken two actions relating to the submission to the Copyright Office by cable systems of completed Statement of Account forms and statutory royalty payments.

In the *first* action, the Copyright Royalty Tribunal adjusted the "Gross Receipts" limitations for cable systems. This figure determines the form you file:

OLD	<i>adjusted to</i>	NEW
1. \$41,500 or less (\$15 fee)		\$55,500 or less (\$20 fee) <i>Form CS/SA-1</i>
2. \$41,501—\$159,999		\$55,501—\$213,999 <i>Form CS/SA-2*</i>
3. \$160,000 plus		\$214,000 plus <i>Form CS/SA-3</i>

In the *second* action, the Copyright Royalty Tribunal adjusted the royalty rates applicable to calculations made by cable systems filing Form CS/SA-3:

OLD	<i>adjusted to</i>	NEW
1 .675 of 1 per centum of such gross receipts for the privilege of further transmitting any nonnetwork programming of a primary transmitter in whole or in part beyond the local service area of such primary transmitter, such amount to be applied against the fee, if any, payable pursuant to paragraphs 2 through 4.		.817 of 1 per centum of such gross receipts for the privilege of further transmitting any nonnetwork programming of a primary transmitter in whole or in part beyond the local service area of such primary transmitter, such amount to be applied against the fee, if any, payable pursuant to paragraphs 2 through 4.
2 .675 of 1 per centum of such gross receipts for the first distant signal equivalent.		.817 of 1 per centum of such gross receipts for the first distant signal equivalent.
3 .425 of 1 per centum of such gross receipts for each of the second, third, and fourth distant signal equivalents.		.514 of 1 per centum of such gross receipts for each of the second, third, and fourth distant signal equivalents.
4 .2 of 1 per centum of such gross receipts for the fifth distant signal equivalent and each additional distant signal equivalent thereafter.		.242 of 1 per centum of such gross receipts for the fifth distant signal equivalent and each additional distant signal equivalent thereafter.

Both of these actions have been appealed to the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia. In view of the pending appeal, the enclosed forms are being sent to you on the basis of your last filing and do not reflect the recent decisions made by the Copyright Royalty Tribunal. Depending upon the outcome of the judicial appeal, it

may be necessary for the Copyright Office to require a supplemental filing at a later date consistent with the court's ruling. We apologize for any inconvenience that this may cause.

For additional information, please contact the Licensing Division at (202) 287-8130.

*This adjustment also raises the median level from \$80,000 to \$107,000. This change is relevant to the calculation and amount of the royalty fee determined on Form CS/SA-2.