CUMULUS MEDIA INC Form SC TO-C May 10, 2006

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549 SCHEDULE TO

Tender Offer Statement under Section 14(d)(1) or 13(e)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No.)
Cumulus Media Inc.

(Name of Subject Company (issuer)) **Cumulus Media Inc. (Offeror and Issuer)**

(Names of Filing Persons (identifying status as offeror, issuer or other person)

Class A Common Stock, \$.01 par value per share

(Title of Class of Securities)
Class A Common Stock: 231082-10-8

(CUSIP Number of Class of Securities)
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This Schedule TO relates solely to certain preliminary communications made before the commencement of a tender offer by Cumulus Media Inc. (the Company) for up to 11.5 million shares of its Class A Common Stock, \$.01 par value per share, at a per share purchase price of not less than \$11.00 nor greater than \$12.50. This Schedule TO is not an offer to buy or the solicitation of an offer to sell any shares of any class of the Company s common stock. The Company has not yet commenced the tender offer described herein. On the commencement date of the tender offer, an offer to purchase, a letter of transmittal and related documents will be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, will be mailed to stockholders of record and will also be made available for distribution to beneficial owners of shares of the Company s common stock. The solicitation of offers to buy shares of the Company s common stock will only be made pursuant to the offer to purchase, the letter of transmittal and related documents. When they are available, stockholders should read those materials carefully because they will contain important information, including the various terms of, and conditions to, the tender offer. When they are available, stockholders will be able to obtain the offer to purchase, the letter of transmittal and related documents without charge from the Securities and Exchange Commission s website at www.sec.gov or from the information agent, MacKenzie Partners, Inc., by calling (800) 322-2885 or (212) 929-5500, or by email at proxy@mackenziepartners.com. Stockholders are urged to read carefully those materials when they become available prior to making any decisions with respect to the tender offer.

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press Release, dated May 10, 2006

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