



The Society of Broadcast Engineers

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Connecting Our Future is the 2012 theme for the Society of Broadcast Engineers. In this issue of SBE-news, you can read how connecting with the SBE can broaden your future with great educational programs and certification opportunities, geared specifically for broadcast engineers. There is no better way to make positive connections within our industry than to meet with other TV and radio engineers where you can share ideas, take part in an informative chapter-organized program and just relax with friends in the business. So, be sure to attend your local chapter meeting this month.

Ralph Hogan, CPBE, DRB, CBNT
SBE President



SBE presents "Chief Operator Responsibilities" webinar, January 12

Once the chief operator signs the station's log, it becomes the official record of its operation. What is the correct way to make changes to the logs after they are signed? Dennis Baldrige, CPBE, 8-VSB, AMD, DRB, CBNT will answer this question and more, later this month in the SBE webinar, "Chief Operator Responsibilities". For [more information](#) and to [register](#), visit the SBE website. This live webinar will be held Thursday, January 12 from 2 to 3:30 p.m., ET.

Join the conversation about chief operator responsibilities on the [SBE LinkedIn Group](#) or post on the [Society of Broadcast Engineers Facebook page](#). Not a member of the SBE Group? Request to join after you log in.



SBE certification exams given at NAB Show

NAB Show attendees can take an SBE certification exam while in Las Vegas. Certification exams will be given from 9 am to noon, PT on Tuesday, April 17 at the Las Vegas Hotel and Casino (formerly the Las Vegas Hilton). Apply by March 23 to take an exam at the NAB Show. Download [SBE CertPreview](#), a collection of practice tests, on the SBE website to help prepare for each exam. For more information about [each certification](#), [cost and applications](#) visit the [SBE website](#). Space is limited, so register soon.

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Doug Vernier

FCC FM allocation procedures webinar, February 16

Doug Vernier, CPBE, will discuss the history and technology behind the current FCC FM allocation rules and procedures for non-commercial FM stations, FM translators, LPFM and full service commercial stations in the SBE webinar, "[The Nuts and Bolts of the FCC FM Allocation Procedures](#)." Vernier will provide insight into how a station can improve coverage or move a city of license using the rules. The role of directional antennas, which provide protection in certain directions allowing more power to be transmitted in other directions, will also be discussed.

This program is recommended for station engineers and managers to understand the process of FM allocation and why station licenses limit transmission power and tower height and what can be done to improve coverage of the population stations reach.

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