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WBAI Gen. Mgr. Tony Riddle Fired, Replaced by Pacifica CFO

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Pacifica has now made its move on WBAI. Interim Executive Director Grace Aaron, based in Los Angeles, has removed Tony Riddle as WBAI General Manager. She is replacing him with Pacifica's Interim Chief Financial Officer, LaVarn Williams, based in Berkeley. Is WBAI Program Director Bernard White next to be axed?

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Dear Tony,

First of all, I would like to inform you that I am sending LaVarn Williams to New York. She will be arriving at WBAI some time tomorrow. At my request, she will be taking on the role of acting General Manager.

I would also like to set out my offer to you on your continued employment with Pacifica: * You will be reassigned from your current position as station manager of WBAI to the national office as Development Director. * Your salary and benefits will remain the same. * You will work out of your home until further notice, and will report to me as your immediate supervisor. * Your work will primarily entail helping devise and implement strategies for fund-raising, both at the local and national levels. You will also be part of the executive team, and will be tasked by me with resolving issues which may arise from time to time.

I would very much like a response from you by tomorrow (Tuesday, May 5, 2009) evening, and preferably by Tuesday morning, as I intend to change the management at the Station by Tuesday or Wednesday at the latest, as mentioned above. If you accept this offer, I will immediately begin working with you to set up a much needed formal development effort at Pacifica.

Thank you for considering this offer. I hope you agree to taking on these duties at the national office, as I hope to be able to continue working with you.

In Peace, Grace Aaron Chair of the Pacifica National Board Interim Executive Director of The Pacifica Foundation phone: (310) 286 - 1011 cell: (310) 402-4087

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