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UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY AND NEWSRADIO 590 WROW ANNOUNCE AGREEMENT TO BROADCAST GREAT DANE FOOTBALL AND BASKETBALL GAMES

ALBANY, N.Y. -- NewsRadio 590 WROW, an Albany Broadcasting Company, Inc. station, has agreed to broadcast the University at Albany's football and men's basketball games and selected women's basketball contests, beginning with the 1995-96 season, it was jointly announced today by Director of Athletics Dr. Milton E. Richards and WROW General Manager John Kelly.

"We are pleased WROW will be able to provide our alumni and fans with an opportunity to listen to our teams compete at the Division II level," Richards said. "WROW has been known for its outstanding news coverage, and we are excited to be a part of its move into sports programming."

"WROW is thrilled to provide play-by-play coverage of Albany's football and basketball programs to the Capital Region," Kelly said. "In addition to being the leading news station in the area, we are committed to giving the Region a variety of sports programs."

WROW, the flagship station for the Arena Football League's Albany Firebirds, will also add the New York Giants and New York Jets to its sports programming schedule this fall.

Rodger Wyland, the evening sports anchor at WNYT-TV (NewsChannel 13) and the host of Big Board Sports Talk, a nightly radio sports program, will handle the Albany football and basketball playby-play duties for the second consecutive year. Wyland will be joined on the announcer team by WROW Sports Director Marc Kestecher. A familiar sports voice in the Capital Region since 1989, Kestecher will work on both the football and basketball broadcasts.

Tim Sherwin, an eight-year National Football League veteran with the Baltimore and Indianapolis Colts and the New York Giants, will serve as color analyst on WROW's football broadcasts. A native of Watervliet and an all-ECAC tight end at Boston College, Sherwin begins his second season covering Albany football.

WROW's 28-game University at Albany package begins with the football team's season opener at Dayton on Saturday, September 2. Kickoff is set for 1:00 p.m.