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JONES PROGRAMMING PARTNERS 1-A LTD

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Annual report pursuant to section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Fee Required)

For the fiscal year ended December 31, 1998

OR

Transition report pursuant to section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (No Fee Required)

For the transition period from _____ to _____

Commission file number: 0-19075

JONES PROGRAMMING PARTNERS 1-A, LTD.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Colorado

84-1088820

(State of Organization)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

P.O. Box 3309, Englewood, Colorado 80155-3309

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(Address of principal executive office and
Zip Code)

(Registrant's telephone no.
including area code)

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act: None
Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g)
of the Act: Limited Partnership Interests

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant, (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days:

Yes x

No ---

Aggregate market value of the voting stock held by non-affiliates of the registrant: N/A

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K ((S)229.405) is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K. X

DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE: None

Information contained in this Form 10-K Report contains "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. All statements, other than statements of historical facts, included in this Form 10-K Report that address activities, events or developments that the General Partner or the Partnership expects, believes or anticipates will or may occur in the future are forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements are based upon certain assumptions and are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties. Actual results could differ

materially from the results predicted by these forward-looking statements.

PART I.

ITEM 1. BUSINESS

Jones Programming Partners 1-A, Ltd. (the "Partnership") is a Colorado limited partnership that was formed in April 1989 pursuant to the public offering of limited partnership interests in the Jones Programming Partners Limited Partnership Program. Jones Entertainment Group, Ltd., a Colorado corporation engaged in the development, production, acquisition and distribution of its original entertainment programming, is the general partner of the Partnership (the "General Partner"). The Partnership was formed to acquire, develop and own rights to produce and license original programming. The Partnership generates revenues from the licensing of its programming. The General Partner's principal responsibilities to the Partnership are or have been the acquisition of programming projects for the Partnership, the negotiation of production and distribution agreements for Partnership programming, reviewing budgets, monitoring expenditure of Partnership funds, administering production and distribution agreements, and accounting and reporting to the limited partners. The General Partner charges the Partnership for direct costs incurred on the Partnership's behalf. See further discussion of such costs charged to the Partnership by the General Partner in Item 8, Financial Statements, Note 4. As of December 31, 1998, the Partnership had three programming projects: "The Little Kidnappers," "The Story Lady" and "Curacao." It is not anticipated that the Partnership will invest in any additional programming, but instead will focus on the distribution and sale of its existing programming. Following is a description of the Partnership's programming projects.

The Little Kidnappers

In January 1990, the General Partner, on behalf of the Partnership, entered into an agreement with Jones Maple Leaf Productions ("Maple Leaf") to produce a full-length made-for-television film entitled "The Little Kidnappers." The total film cost was approximately \$3,200,000. Of this amount, the Partnership invested approximately \$2,794,000, which included a production and overhead fee of \$300,000 paid to the General Partner. As of December 31, 1998, the Partnership's net investment in the film, after consideration of amortization, was \$2,210. From inception to December 31, 1998, the Partnership has recognized approximately \$2,998,000 of revenue from this film, which includes the initial license fees of approximately \$1,365,000 from The Disney Channel and the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation, which were used to help finance the film's production. As of December 31, 1998, \$102 in receivables was outstanding from the film's distributors and licensees. These amounts were received by the Partnership in February 1999. The Partnership plans to recover its remaining investment in this film of \$2,210 from net revenues generated in remaining worldwide television and home video markets from direct distribution efforts to be made on behalf of the Partnership by the General Partner and by non-affiliated distributors or the sale of the Partnership's interests in the film.

The Story Lady

In April 1991, the General Partner, on behalf of the Partnership, entered into an agreement with NBC Productions, Inc. ("NBC") for the production of a full-length, made-for-television film entitled "The Story Lady." The total cost of the film was approximately \$4,300,000. Of this amount, the Partnership invested approximately \$1,183,000 in return for world-wide distribution rights to this film, excluding United States and Canadian broadcast television rights. Included in the total amount invested is a production and overhead fee of \$120,000 paid to the General Partner. In December 1995, the Partnership fully recovered its remaining net investment in this film. From inception to December 31, 1998, the Partnership has recognized approximately \$2,309,000 of revenue from this film. As of December 31, 1998, the Partnership had outstanding net receivables from the film's domestic and international distributors and licensees totaling \$106,295, of which \$10,000 was received by the Partnership in January 1999 and \$11,122 was received by the Partnership in February 1999. The

anticipates payment of the remaining \$85,173 over the next three to twenty-four months as collected by distributors.

Curacao

In October 1992, the General Partner, on behalf of the Partnership, entered into an agreement with Showtime Networks, Inc. ("Showtime") for the production of a full-length, made-for-television film entitled "Curacao." The total production cost of the film incurred by the Partnership was approximately \$4,410,000. In addition to the costs of production, the Partnership paid the General Partner \$500,000 as a production and overhead fee for services rendered in connection with arranging the Showtime presale and supervising production of this picture. From inception to December 31, 1998, the Partnership has recognized approximately \$4,032,000 of revenue from this film, which included the initial license fee and home video advance from Showtime of \$2,650,000, which was used to finance the film's production.

During the third quarter of 1995, the General Partner reassessed the anticipated total gross revenue remaining from the distribution of "Curacao" in available international and domestic television markets. Based on revised television sales projections by unexploited territory, a reduction was made to the Partnership's estimate of total gross revenue to be recognized from the future distribution of the film. Accordingly, based on the reduced revenue projections for the film (primarily in international television revenues), a determination was made by the General Partner that the Partnership's net investment in "Curacao" of \$1,076,664 exceeded the film's estimated net realizable value of \$832,500 as of September 30, 1995. As a result, the Partnership recorded a write-down of film production cost of \$244,164 to reduce the unamortized cost of the film to its estimated net realizable value as of September 30, 1995.

During the third quarter of 1996, the General Partner again reassessed the anticipated total gross revenue remaining from the distribution of "Curacao" in available international and domestic television markets. Based on revised estimated television sales projections, a reduction was made to the Partnership's estimate of total gross revenue to be recognized from the future distribution of the film. Accordingly, based on the reduced revenue projections for the film, a determination was made by the General Partner that the Partnership's net investment in "Curacao" of \$756,744 exceeded the film's estimated net realizable value of \$100,000 as of September 30, 1996. As a result, the Partnership recorded a write-down of film production cost of \$656,744 to reduce the unamortized cost of the film to its estimated net realizable value as of September 30, 1996. The film's estimated net realizable value was calculated based on an estimate of anticipated revenues remaining over the life of the film from international and domestic television distribution, net of estimated distribution fees and costs, as of September 30, 1996.

As of December 31, 1998, the Partnership's net investment in the film, after consideration of amortization and the write-downs discussed above, was \$62,763. The Partnership plans to recover its remaining net investment in this film from the net revenues generated from remaining international and domestic television markets or the sale of the Partnership's interests in the film.

General Matters

The Partnership will seek to recover its investment in programming by relicensing its assets through international sales, domestic cable or syndication, home video and ancillary markets or by selling its remaining interests in its programming. The General Partner, on behalf of the Partnership, is currently considering opportunities available for the sale of the Partnership's interests in its programming projects. Any sale of all or substantially all of the Partnership's assets will be subject to the approval of the Partnership's limited partners prior to closing of the sale. See further discussion of the Partnership's distribution efforts concerning these films in Item 7, Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results

of Operations.

The Partnership has encountered and will continue to encounter intense competition in connection with its attempts to distribute its programming. There is competition within the television programming industry for exhibition time on cable television networks, broadcast networks and independent television stations. In most cases, potential customers of the Partnership's programming also produce their own competitive programs. In recent years, the number of television production companies and the volume of programming being distributed have increased, thereby intensifying this competition. Acceptance of the programming in certain distribution

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media may be limited and the programming will compete with other types of television programming in all domestic and international distribution media and markets. The success of programming is also dependent in part on public taste, which is unpredictable and susceptible to change. In international markets, the Partnership will encounter additional risks, such as foreign currency rate fluctuations, compliance and regulatory requirements, differences in tax laws, and economic and political environments. Profitability of the Partnership will depend largely on the acceptance in various domestic and international television markets of the Partnership's programming, on the level of distribution of the programming in such markets and the license fees and library values generated thereby, which are outside the control of the Partnership.

Future distribution revenues from the Partnership's programming will rely heavily on the existence and size of remaining distribution markets and media, if any, that have not been exploited by the Partnership in its previous distribution efforts in the domestic and international theatrical, home video, television, and ancillary markets. There can be no assurance that the distribution efforts made by the Partnership, the General Partner or unaffiliated parties on behalf of the Partnership for its programming will be sufficient to recover the Partnership's investment or produce profits for the Partnership.

ITEM 2. PROPERTIES

See Item 1.

ITEM 3. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

None.

ITEM 4. SUBMISSION OF MATTERS TO A VOTE OF SECURITY HOLDERS

None.

PART II.

ITEM 5. MARKET FOR THE REGISTRANT'S COMMON STOCK

AND RELATED SECURITY HOLDER MATTERS

While the Partnership is publicly held, there is no public market for the limited partnership interests and it is not expected that such a market will develop in the future. As of February 15, 1999, the number of equity security holders in the Partnership was 719.

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ITEM 6. SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA

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<S>	For the Years Ended December 31,				
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	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
Gross revenues	\$ 413,756	\$ 699,023	\$ 211,669	\$222,714	\$ 195,717
Costs of filmed entertainment	345,428	250,173	107,418	93,983	11,546
Distribution fees and expenses	65,583	113,877	58,229	98,471	196,695
Loss from write-down of film production cost	-	244,164	656,744	-	-
Operating, general and administrative expenses	37,349	39,454	62,499	94,162	115,247
Operating income (loss)	(32,604)	51,355	(673,221)	(63,902)	(127,771)
Net income (loss)	(9,389)	80,758	(654,916)	(54,372)	(117,496)
Net income (loss) per limited partnership unit	(.73)	6.27	(50.88)	(4.22)	(9.13)
Weighted average number of limited partnership units outstanding	12,743	12,743	12,743	12,743	12,743
General partner's deficit	(30,671)	(36,299)	(49,284)	(49,828)	(52,612)
Limited partners' capital	2,360,143	1,802,941	517,422	463,594	187,985
Total assets	2,498,982	1,933,539	657,221	442,164	265,317
General partner advances	1,100	(10,728)	15,600	8,303	11,045

ITEM 7. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF
FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The following discussion of the Partnership's financial condition and results of operations contains, in addition to historical information, forward-looking statements that are based upon certain assumptions and are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties. The Partnership's actual results may differ significantly from the results predicted in such forward-looking statements.

Results of Operations

1998 Compared to 1997

Revenues of the Partnership decreased \$26,997, from \$222,714 in 1997 to \$195,717 in 1998. This decrease was due primarily to a decrease in domestic and international sales of "The Little Kidnappers" and "Curacao," which were \$79,243 and \$20,170, respectively, for 1997 as compared to \$12,354 and \$39, respectively, in 1998. International sales of "The Story Lady" increased \$60,023, from \$123,301 in 1997 to \$183,324 in 1998.

Filmed entertainment costs decreased \$82,437, from \$93,983 in 1997 to \$11,546 in 1998. This decrease resulted primarily from the decrease in Partnership revenues received from "The Little Kidnappers" and "Curacao" as discussed above. Filmed entertainment costs are amortized over the life of the film in the ratio that current gross revenues bear to anticipated gross revenues.

Distribution fees and expenses increased \$98,224, from \$98,471 in 1997 to \$196,695 in 1998. This increase was due primarily to royalties that became due to artisan guilds during 1998. This increase was also due to the overall increase in domestic and international sales of "The Story Lady." These distribution fees and expenses relate to the compensation due and costs incurred by distributors in selling the Partnership's programming in the domestic and international markets. The timing and amount of distribution fees and expenses vary depending upon the individual market in which programming is distributed.

Operating, general and administrative expenses increased \$21,085, from \$94,162 in 1997 to \$115,247 in 1998. This increase was due primarily to an allowance of \$80,300 made during 1998 related to the potential uncollectibility of an outstanding international income receivable. The increase was partially offset by a decrease in direct costs allocable to the operations of the Partnership that were charged to the Partnership by the General

Partner and its affiliates in 1998 as compared to 1997. The decrease in direct costs allocable to the Partnership's operations resulted mainly from the decrease in General Partner personnel expenses and the decrease in direct time spent by the affiliates of the General Partner on the accounting and legal functions of the Partnership.

Interest income decreased \$892, from \$10,427 in 1997 to \$9,535 in 1998. This decrease in interest income was the result of lower average levels of invested cash balances existing during 1998 as compared to 1997.

1997 Compared to 1996

Revenues of the Partnership increased \$11,045, from \$211,669 in 1996 to \$222,714 in 1997. This increase was due primarily to an increase in domestic and international sales of "The Story Lady" and "Little Kidnappers," which were \$123,301 and \$79,243, respectively, for 1997 as compared to \$77,950 and \$15,833, respectively, in 1996. International sales of "Curacao" decreased \$97,716, from \$117,886 in 1996 to \$20,170 in 1997.

Filmed entertainment costs decreased \$13,435, from \$107,418 in 1996 to \$93,983 in 1997. This decrease resulted primarily from the decrease in Partnership revenues from sales of "Curacao" as discussed above and was partially offset by the increase in sales of the "Little Kidnappers" as discussed above. Filmed entertainment costs are amortized over the life of the film in the ratio that current gross revenues bear to anticipated total gross revenues.

Distribution fees and expenses increased \$40,242, from \$58,229 in 1996 to \$98,471 in 1997. This increase was due primarily to the overall increase in domestic and international sales of "The Story Lady." These distribution fees and expenses relate to the compensation due and costs incurred by distributors in selling the Partnership's programming in the domestic and international markets. The timing and amount of distribution fees and expenses vary depending upon the individual market in which programming is distributed.

Loss from write-down of film production decreased from \$656,744 in 1996 to \$0 in 1997. This decrease was the result of a write-down of the Partnership's net investment in "Curacao" to the film's net realizable value of \$100,000 as of September 30, 1996. A write-down of the Partnership's net investment in its programming was not deemed necessary by the General Partner for the year ended December 31, 1997.

Operating, general and administrative expenses increased \$31,663, from \$62,499 in 1996 to \$94,162 in 1997. This increase was due primarily to an increase in direct costs allocable to the operations of the Partnership that were charged to the Partnership by the General Partner in 1997 as compared to 1996. The increase in direct costs allocable to the Partnership's operations resulted mainly from the increased involvement of General Partner personnel required to properly administer the second cycle distribution and potential sale of the Partnership's programming.

Interest income decreased \$9,325, from \$19,752 in 1996 to \$10,427 in 1997. This decrease in interest income was the result of lower average levels of invested cash balances existing during 1997 as compared to 1996.

Financial Condition

Liquidity and Capital Resources

The Partnership's principal sources of liquidity are cash on hand and amounts received from the domestic and international distribution of the Partnership's programming. The Partnership had \$90,672 in cash as of December 31, 1998. It is not anticipated that the Partnership will invest in any additional programming projects, but instead will focus on the distribution and/or sale of its existing programming projects. The Partnership had outstanding amounts net receivable from unaffiliated distributors totaling approximately \$106,000 as of

December 31, 1998. The international income net receivable of approximately \$25,000 is expected to be paid to the Partnership over the next three to twenty-four months as collected by distributors. The domestic income receivable of \$81,000 is expected to be paid to the Partnership over the next eight months.

Given the near completion of the second cycle distribution of the Partnership's programming, as previously announced, regular quarterly distributions from operations were suspended beginning with the quarter ended March 31, 1997. However, upon evaluation by the General Partner of the cash reserves and cash operating needs of the Partnership, an additional cash flow distribution totaling \$160,897 was declared for the quarter ending March 31, 1998 and paid in May 1998. No other distributions were declared or paid by the Partnership in 1998. The Partnership will retain a

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certain level of working capital, including any necessary reserves, to fund its operating activities. It is anticipated that any future distributions will only be made from proceeds received from the sale of the Partnership's assets.

The General Partner, on behalf of the Partnership, is currently considering opportunities available for the sale of the Partnership's interests in its programming projects. If the General Partner or one of its affiliates exercises its right to purchase the Partnership's interests in a programming project, however, the sales price for such a transaction will be at least equal to the average of three independent appraisals of the programming project's fair market value. The General Partner has no obligation to purchase any assets of the Partnership. Any sale of all or substantially all of the Partnership's assets will be subject to the approval of the Partnership's limited partners prior to closing of the sale.

The General Partner cannot predict at this time when or at what price the Partnership's interests in its programming projects ultimately will be sold. Any direct costs incurred by the General Partner on behalf of the Partnership in soliciting and arranging for the sale of the Partnership's programming projects will be charged to the Partnership. It is anticipated that the net proceeds from the sale of the Partnership's interests in its programming will be distributed to the partners after such sale. Based on the General Partner's estimates of value and indications of value obtained from unaffiliated parties, it is probable that the distributions of the proceeds from the sales of the Partnership's programming projects, together with all prior distributions paid to the limited partners, will return to the limited partners less than 75% of their initial capital contributions to the Partnership.

The General Partner believes that the Partnership has, and will continue to have, sufficient liquidity to fund its operations and to meet its obligations so long as quarterly distributions are suspended. Cash flow from operating activities will be generated primarily from the Partnership's programming projects as follows:

"The Little Kidnappers"

During 1990, the Partnership invested approximately \$2,794,000 in a film entitled "The Little Kidnappers." The Partnership advanced funds as production advances to Maple Leaf to complete the film. In return for such production advances, the Partnership received all distribution rights in perpetuity in all markets except Canada. The General Partner, on behalf of the Partnership, licensed the film to The Disney Channel and Maple Leaf licensed the film to the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation. Aggregate license fees of approximately \$1,365,000 were received from these licensees. The original Disney Channel license expired in September 1993. The General Partner subsequently relicensed the film to The Disney Channel for an additional license period of five years beginning January 1, 1994 for an additional fee of \$300,000, which had been received by the Partnership as of December 31, 1998. The Canadian Broadcasting Corporation license expired in the second quarter of 1994 and was not renewed.

In April 1991, the General Partner, on behalf of the Partnership, entered into a distribution agreement with an unaffiliated party granting rights to distribute "The Little Kidnappers" in the non-theatrical domestic markets for a period not to exceed seven years. Non-theatrical markets include 16mm sales and rentals,

in-flight, oil rigs, ships at sea, military installations, libraries, restaurants, hotels, motels or other institutional or commercial enterprises. As of December 31, 1998, gross sales made under this arrangement totaled \$94,190, of which \$23,548 was retained by the distributor for its fees.

In July 1991, the General Partner, on behalf of the Partnership, entered into an agreement with an unaffiliated party granting the rights to distribute "The Little Kidnappers" in the domestic home video market for a period not to exceed five years. Under this agreement, the Partnership received a minimum guarantee of \$500,000, of which \$100,000 was received upon delivery of the film in October 1991. The Partnership discounted the remaining \$400,000 at an imputed interest rate of 8%, which created a discount of \$79,157. The Partnership received \$50,000 in October 1992, \$75,000 in October 1993, \$75,000 in October 1994 and the remaining \$200,000 in October 1995. The Partnership does not expect to receive any additional proceeds under this agreement.

In the third quarter of 1990, the General Partner, on behalf of the Partnership, entered into a distribution agreement with an unaffiliated party, granting the rights to distribute "The Little Kidnappers" in international television and home video markets for a period of five years. This agreement expired in October 1995. As of December 31, 1998, international gross sales made under this distribution agreement totaled \$1,165,070, of which \$363,753 was retained by the distributor for its fees and marketing costs and \$802,097 was remitted to the Partnership.

The international distribution rights for "The Little Kidnappers" are now being handled by the General Partner on behalf of the Partnership. The General Partner will generally earn a distribution fee equal to 25 percent of gross international sales and will recover its actual distribution and marketing costs incurred, with remaining net revenues to be paid to the Partnership. In December 1996, the General Partner, acting on behalf of the Partnership, entered into a distribution

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agreement with an unaffiliated party, granting the rights to distribute "The Little Kidnappers" in various international television markets, including France, the United Kingdom, Scandinavia, Africa and the Middle East, for license periods of five to six years and a license fee of \$35,000. The General Partner did not earn a distribution fee relating to this agreement. As the license periods under this agreement vary by territory, \$31,111 in revenue from this agreement has been recognized by the Partnership as of December 31, 1998. The remaining \$3,889 will be recognized by the Partnership during the first quarter of 1999.

In May 1997, the General Partner, acting on behalf of the Partnership, entered into a five year licensing agreement with an unaffiliated third party, granting the rights to distribute "The Little Kidnappers" in the North American home video market. Under this agreement, the Partnership is entitled to a \$20,000 license fee which has been received by the Partnership as of December 31, 1998. In addition to the initial license fee, the Partnership will also be entitled to a home video royalty of 10 to 20 percent of net retail sale proceeds earned by the licensee, with the royalty percentage dependent on the per video unit sales price obtained. As of December 31, 1998, the Partnership has recognized \$20,000 in revenue under this agreement.

The Partnership anticipates that it will recover its remaining net investment in this film of \$2,210 from net revenues to be generated in remaining worldwide television and home video markets by direct distribution efforts to be made on behalf of the Partnership by the General Partner and other non-affiliated distributors or from sale of the Partnership's interests in the film.

"The Story Lady"

In 1991, the General Partner, on behalf of the Partnership, entered into an agreement with NBC for the production of a full-length, made-for-television film entitled "The Story Lady." The total cost of the film was approximately \$4,300,000, and the Partnership invested its share of approximately \$1,183,000 in return for all distribution rights to this film after the contractual airings on the NBC television network, which have been completed.

In 1992, the General Partner, on behalf of the Partnership, entered into a distribution agreement with an unaffiliated party, granting rights to distribute "The Story Lady" in the non-theatrical domestic markets. As of December 31, 1998, gross sales made under this arrangement totaled \$300,969, of which \$75,241 was retained by the distributor for its fees. The remaining \$225,728 has been received by the Partnership. The General Partner, on behalf of the Partnership, entered into an agreement with The Disney Channel, granting The Disney Channel exclusive domestic television rights to the film for one year, from September 1994 until September 1995, for a license fee of \$40,000. Of this license fee, \$26,667 was received in July 1994, with the remaining balance of \$13,333 received in April 1995. In addition, the film was distributed in the domestic home video market by the General Partner and a third party consultant beginning in the second quarter of 1994. As of December 31, 1998, net sale proceeds under this arrangement totaled \$99,312, which were applied towards the General Partner's recoupment of its distribution costs. As the General Partner has fully recovered its remaining distribution costs, any additional sales, net of fees, will flow to the Partnership. However, the Partnership does not expect to receive any additional proceeds under this agreement.

On behalf of the Partnership, the General Partner has sub-licensed under the NBC agreement international television and home video distribution rights to a distribution affiliate of NBC for approximately eight years. As of December 31, 1998, international gross sales totaled \$1,474,299, of which \$434,387 was retained by the distributor for its fees and marketing costs, with the remaining \$1,039,912 due to the Partnership. As of December 31, 1998, the Partnership had received \$934,459 of such amounts. In December 1998, an allowance of \$80,300 related to potential uncollectibility was made for an outstanding contract under this agreement. The remaining \$25,153 is expected to be paid to the Partnership over the next three to twenty-four months as collected by the distributor.

In October 1995, the General Partner, on behalf of the Partnership, entered into a license agreement with an unaffiliated party, granting right to distribute "The Story Lady" in the domestic home video market through direct, non-retail sales for a license fee of \$200,000. Under the original terms of the three year agreement, the Partnership was entitled to \$50,000 upon execution of the agreement, and \$10,000 per month for fifteen consecutive months. Of this license fee, \$50,000 was received by the General Partner in November 1995, of which \$21,341 was retained by the General Partner to be applied towards recoupment of its remaining distribution costs incurred on behalf of the Partnership for "The Story Lady." The remaining \$28,659 was remitted to the Partnership. As of December 31, 1998, the Partnership had received monthly license fee payments totaling the remaining \$150,000. In June 1998, the General Partner agreed to extend this distribution agreement to the unaffiliated third party for an additional three years. The distribution agreement extension requires a fee of \$150,000 for the renewal period to be paid in fifteen equal monthly installments. As of December 31, 1998, the Partnership has received \$70,000 toward the distribution agreement extension. The remaining \$80,000 will be paid to the Partnership over the next eight months.

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In December 1996, the General Partner, on behalf of the Partnership, entered into an agreement with Lifetime Television ("Lifetime"), granting rights to distribute "The Story Lady" in the domestic cable and satellite television markets for a period of one and a half years commencing in July 1997. In accordance with the terms of the agreement, the Partnership is entitled to a \$75,000 license fee, of which \$25,000 was received in three equal payments in January 1997, August 1997 and July 1998.

In May 1997, the General Partner, acting on behalf of the Partnership, entered into a five year licensing agreement with an unaffiliated third party, granting the rights to distribute "The Story Lady" in the North American home video market. Under this agreement, the Partnership is entitled to a \$20,000 license fee which has been received by the Partnership as of December 31, 1998. In addition to the initial license fee, the Partnership will also be entitled to a home video royalty of 10 to 20 percent of net retail sale proceeds earned by the licensee, with the royalty percentage dependent on the per video unit sales price obtained. As of December 31, 1998, the Partnership has recognized \$31,627 in license fee revenue under this agreement.

The Partnership has fully recovered its net investment in this film.

"Curacao"

In October 1992, the General Partner, on behalf of the Partnership, entered into an agreement with Showtime Networks, Inc. ("Showtime") for the production of a full-length, made-for-television film entitled "Curacao." The total cost of the film was approximately \$4,410,000. In addition to the costs of production, the Partnership paid the General Partner \$500,000 as a production and overhead fee for services rendered in connection with arranging the Showtime pre-sale and supervising production of this picture.

The Partnership has received license fees and a home video advance totaling \$2,650,000 from Showtime in return for granting Showtime a pay television license through 1997 and the right to market domestic home video rights for seven years. Home video revenues in excess of \$875,000 will be shared 50/50 between the Partnership and Showtime until Showtime has received \$1,875,000, after which the Partnership will receive all of the home video revenues. It is unlikely that the Partnership will receive any additional revenues beyond the original Showtime advance from the domestic home video distribution of "Curacao."

In May 1993, the General Partner, on behalf of the Partnership, entered into a distribution agreement with an unaffiliated party, granting rights to distribute "Curacao" in the non-theatrical domestic markets. As of December 31, 1998, gross sales made under this arrangement totaled \$117,358, of which \$29,340 was retained by the distributor for its fees and \$88,018 was received by the Partnership.

The Partnership has contracted with an unaffiliated international sales agent to market theatrical, home video, and television rights outside the United States and Canada for a period of five years. The General Partner approved an agreement negotiated by the international sales agent with an unaffiliated party to market international theatrical and home video rights for a period of ten years. The terms of such agreement provide for an advance payment of \$950,000 against international theatrical and home video revenues. The payment has been received by the Partnership net of distribution fees and expenses retained by the distributor. No international theatrical or home video overages are expected to be received for the remaining term of the agreement. International television sales continue and are remitted to the Partnership, net of distribution fees and expenses, as collected by the distributor. As of December 31, 1998, the Partnership had recorded international gross revenues of \$1,245,075, of which \$355,733 was retained by the distributor for its fees and marketing costs. The remaining \$889,342 has been received by the Partnership.

During the third quarter of 1995, the General Partner reassessed the anticipated total gross revenue remaining from the distribution of "Curacao" in available international and domestic television markets. Based on revised television sales projections by unexploited territory, a reduction was made to the Partnership's estimate of total gross revenue to be recognized from the future distribution of the film. Accordingly, based on the reduced revenue projections for the film (primarily in international television revenues), a determination was made by the General Partner that the Partnership's net investment in "Curacao" of \$1,076,664 exceeded the film's estimated net realizable value of \$832,500 as of September 30, 1995. As a result, the Partnership recorded a write-down of film production cost of \$244,164 to reduce the unamortized cost of the film to its estimated net realizable value as of September 30, 1995.

Likewise, in the third quarter of 1996, the General Partner again reassessed the anticipated gross revenue remaining from the distribution of "Curacao" based on revised estimated television sales projections and actual results of the film's distribution in comparison to the film's prior projections. A determination was made by the General Partner that the

Partnership's net investment in "Curacao" of \$756,744 exceeded the film's estimated net realizable value of \$100,000 as of September 30, 1996, resulting in a write-down of \$656,744. The film's estimated net realizable value was calculated based on an estimate of anticipated revenues remaining over the life of the film from international and domestic television distribution, net of

estimated distribution fees and costs, as of September 30, 1996.

These revenue projections were estimated by the General Partner and the film's distributor based on the film's prior distribution history, the remaining international and domestic territories available to the film for future television distribution, and the General Partner's and the distributor's previous distribution experience with other films. As of December 31, 1998, the Partnership's net investment in the film, after consideration of amortization and the write-downs discussed above, was \$62,763. The Partnership plans to recover its remaining net investment in this film from the net revenues generated from remaining international and domestic television markets or from sale of the Partnership's interests in the film.

Impact of the Year 2000 Issue (unaudited)

The Year 2000 issue is the result of many computer programs being written such that they will malfunction when reading a year of "00." This problem could cause system failure or miscalculations causing disruptions of business processes.

In connection with its affiliates, the General Partner has initiated an assessment of its computer applications to determine the extent of the problem. Based on this assessment, the General Partner has determined that the majority of its computer applications supporting business processes, including accounting and investor services, are designed to handle the Year 2000 appropriately. The General Partner believes there will be no financial impact to the Partnership due to the Year 2000 issue.

ITEM 7A. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES

ABOUT MARKET RISK.

The Partnership does not hold any financial instruments which present significant interest or market risk.

ITEM 8. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

JONES PROGRAMMING PARTNERS 1-A, LTD.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1997 AND 1998

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

To Jones Programming Partners 1-A, Ltd.:

We have audited the accompanying statements of financial position of Jones Programming Partners 1-A, Ltd. (a Colorado limited partnership) as of December 31, 1997 and 1998, and the related statements of operations, partners' capital (deficit) and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 1998. These financial statements are the responsibility of the General Partner's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Jones Programming Partners 1-A, Ltd. as of December 31, 1997 and 1998, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 1998 in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

ARTHUR ANDERSEN LLP

Denver, Colorado,
March 12, 1999

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JONES PROGRAMMING PARTNERS 1-A, LTD.
(A Limited Partnership)

STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION

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	December 31,	
	----- 1997 -----	1998 ----- -----
<S>	<C>	<C>
ASSETS -----		
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS (Note 2)	\$ 234,842	\$ 90,672
RECEIVABLES:		
International income receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$2,742 and \$80,300 as of December 31, 1997 and 1998, respectively (Note 5)	122,528	25,275
Domestic income receivable	5,000	81,122

INVESTMENT IN AND ADVANCES FOR FILM PRODUCTION, net of accumulated amortization of \$8,810,687 and \$8,822,233 as of December 31, 1997 and 1998, respectively (Notes 2 and 5)	76,519	64,973
OTHER ASSETS	3,275	3,275
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Total assets	\$ 442,164	\$ 265,317
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<u>LIABILITIES AND PARTNERS' CAPITAL (DEFICIT)</u>		

LIABILITIES:		
Accounts payable to affiliates	\$ 8,303	\$ 11,045
Accrued liabilities	20,095	118,899
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Total liabilities	28,398	129,944
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PARTNERS' CAPITAL (DEFICIT) (Note 3):		
General partner -		
Contributed capital	1,000	1,000
Distributions	(40,831)	(42,440)
Accumulated deficit	(9,997)	(11,172)
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Total general partner's deficit	(49,828)	(52,612)
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Limited partners -		
Contributed capital (12,743 units outstanding as of December 31, 1997 and 1998)	5,459,327	5,459,327
Distributions	(4,042,214)	(4,201,502)
Accumulated deficit	(953,519)	(1,069,840)
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Total limited partners' capital	463,594	187,985
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Total partners' capital (deficit)	413,766	135,373
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Total liabilities and partners' capital (deficit)	\$ 442,164	\$ 265,317
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JONES PROGRAMMING PARTNERS 1-A, LTD.
(A Limited Partnership)

STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

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	For the Years Ended December 31,		
	1996	1997	1998
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<S>	<C>	<C>	<C>
GROSS REVENUES (Notes 2 and 5)	\$ 211,669	\$222,714	\$ 195,717
COSTS AND EXPENSES:			
Costs of filmed entertainment (Notes 2 and 5)	107,418	93,983	11,546
Distribution fees and expenses (Note 2)	58,229	98,471	196,695
Loss from write-down of film production cost (Notes 2 and 5)			

	656,744	-	-
Operating, general and administrative expenses (Note 4)	62,499	94,162	115,247
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Total costs and expenses	884,890	286,616	323,488
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OPERATING LOSS	(673,221)	(63,902)	(127,771)
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OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE):			
Interest income	19,752	10,427	9,535
Other income (expense), net	(1,447)	(897)	740
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Total other income, net	18,305	9,530	10,275
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NET LOSS	\$ (654,916)	\$ (54,372)	\$ (117,496)
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ALLOCATION OF NET LOSS:			
General partner	\$ (6,549)	\$ (544)	\$ (1,175)
	=====	=====	=====
Limited partners	\$ (648,367)	\$ (53,828)	\$ (116,321)
	=====	=====	=====
NET LOSS PER LIMITED PARTNERSHIP UNIT	\$ (50.88)	\$ (4.22)	\$ (9.13)
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WEIGHTED AVERAGE NUMBER OF LIMITED PARTNERSHIP UNITS OUTSTANDING	12,743	12,743	12,743
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JONES PROGRAMMING PARTNERS 1-A, LTD.
(A Limited Partnership)

STATEMENTS OF PARTNERS' CAPITAL (DEFICIT)

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	For the Years Ended December 31,		
	1996	1997	1998
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<S>	<C>	<C>	<C>
GENERAL PARTNER:			
Balance, beginning of year	\$ (36,299)	\$ (49,284)	\$ (49,828)
Distributions	(6,436)	-	(1,609)
Net loss	(6,549)	(544)	(1,175)
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Balance, end of year	\$ (49,284)	\$ (49,828)	\$ (52,612)
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LIMITED PARTNERS:			
Balance, beginning of year	\$1,802,941	\$517,422	\$ 463,594
Distributions	(637,152)	-	(159,288)
Net loss	(648,367)	(53,828)	(116,321)

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Balance, end of year	\$ 517,422	\$463,594	\$ 187,985
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TOTAL PARTNERS' CAPITAL (DEFICIT)	\$ 468,138	\$413,766	\$ 135,373
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JONES PROGRAMMING PARTNERS 1-A, LTD.
(A Limited Partnership)

STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

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	For the Years Ended December 31,		
	1996	1997	1998
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<S>	<C>	<C>	<C>
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:			
Net loss	\$ (654,916)	\$ (54,372)	\$ (117,496)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:			
Amortization of filmed entertainment costs	107,418	93,983	11,546
Loss from write-down of film production cost	656,744	-	-
Decrease in international income net receivable	175,717	19,074	97,253
Decrease (increase) in domestic income receivable	62,427	72,573	(76,122)
Decrease (increase) in other assets	1,181	(2,183)	-
Net change in amounts due to/from affiliates	52,448	(7,297)	2,742
Increase in accrued liabilities	6,586	7,509	98,804
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Net cash provided by operating activities	407,605	129,287	16,727
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CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:			
Distributions to partners	(643,588)	(160,897)	(160,897)
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Net cash used in financing activities	(643,588)	(160,897)	(160,897)
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DECREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(235,983)	(31,610)	(144,170)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, beginning of year	502,435	266,452	234,842
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CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, end of year	\$ 266,452	\$ 234,842	\$ 90,672
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JONES PROGRAMMING PARTNERS 1-A, LTD.
(A Limited Partnership)

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(1) ORGANIZATION AND BUSINESS

Organized in April 1989, Jones Programming Partners 1-A, Ltd. (the "Partnership") is a limited partnership formed pursuant to the laws of the State of Colorado to engage in the development, production, acquisition, licensing and distribution of original entertainment programming. Jones Entertainment Group, Ltd. is the "General Partner" of the Partnership.

(2) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Cash and Cash Equivalents - The Partnership considers all highly-liquid

investments with a maturity when purchased of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

Film Revenue Recognition - The Partnership recognizes revenues in

accordance with the provisions of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 53 ("SFAS No. 53"). Revenues from domestic and international licensing of programming, which may include the receipt of non-refundable guaranteed amounts, are recognized when such amounts are known, the film is available for exhibition or telecast, and when certain other SFAS No. 53 criteria are met. Advances received for licensing or other purposes prior to exhibition or telecast are deferred and recognized as revenue when the above criteria are met.

Investment in and Advances for Film Production - Investment in and advances

for film production consists of advances to production entities for story rights, production costs, and film completion costs, and is stated at the lower of cost or estimated net realizable value. In addition, film production and overhead fees payable to the General Partner have been capitalized and included in investment in film production. Film production costs are amortized based upon the individual-film-forecast method. As the Partnership nears completion of the second cycle of distribution for its programming, it will seek to recover its remaining investment in its programming by continuing to relicense its programming to distributors in remaining unexploited markets and media, if any, or by selling its remaining interests in its film projects. Estimated losses, if any, will be provided for in full when determined by the General Partner. Repayment of production advances will be applied to reduce advances outstanding.

Distribution Costs - Distribution fees and expenses incurred in connection

with domestic and international film distribution are recorded at the time that the related licensing fees are recognized as revenue by the Partnership. Similarly, the Partnership expenses film advertising costs related to distribution when the advertising takes place.

Impact of the Year 2000 Issue (unaudited) - The Year 2000 issue is the

result of many computer programs being written such that they will malfunction when reading a year of "00." This problem could cause system failure or miscalculations causing disruptions of business processes.

In connection with its affiliates, the General Partner has performed an assessment of its computer applications to determine the extent of the problem. Based on this assessment, the General Partner has determined that the majority of its computer applications supporting business processes, including accounting and investor services, are designed to handle the Year 2000 appropriately. The General Partner believes there will be no financial impact to the Partnership due to the Year 2000 issue.

Use of Estimates - The preparation of financial statements in conformity

with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

(3) PARTNERS' CAPITAL (DEFICIT)

The capitalization of the Partnership is set forth in the accompanying Statements of Partners' Capital (Deficit). No existing limited partner is or will be obligated to make any additional contributions to the Partnership. The General Partner purchased its interest in the Partnership by contributing \$1,000 to Partnership capital.

Profits, losses and distributions of the Partnership are allocated 99 percent to the limited partners and 1 percent to the General Partner until the limited partners have received distributions equal to 100 percent of their capital contributions plus an annual return thereon of 12 percent, cumulative and non-compounded. Thereafter, profits/losses and distributions will generally be allocated 80 percent to the limited partners and 20 percent to the General Partner. Interest income earned prior to the start of the Partnership's first production was allocated 100 percent to the limited partners.

(4) TRANSACTIONS WITH AFFILIATES

The General Partner is entitled to reimbursement from the Partnership for its direct and indirect expenses allocable to the operations of the Partnership, which shall include, but not be limited to, rent, supplies, telephone, travel, legal expenses, accounting expenses, preparation and distribution of reports to investors and salaries of any full or part-time employees. Because the indirect expenses incurred by the General Partner on behalf of the Partnership are immaterial, the General Partner generally does not charge indirect expenses to the Partnership. The General Partner charged direct expenses of \$25,042, \$35,028, and \$0 to the Partnership for the years ended December 31, 1996, 1997, and 1998, respectively.

The Partnership reimburses affiliates of the General Partner for certain allocated administrative personnel expenses. These expenses generally consist of salaries and related benefits. Allocations of personnel costs are generally based on actual time spent by affiliated associates with respect to the Partnership. Such allocated expense totaled \$16,755, \$20,443, and \$15,442 for the years ended December 31, 1996, 1997, and 1998, respectively.

(5) INVESTMENT IN AND ADVANCES FOR FILM PRODUCTION

"The Little Kidnappers"

In January 1990, the General Partner, on behalf of the Partnership, entered into an agreement with Jones Maple Leaf Productions ("Maple Leaf") to produce a full-length feature film for television entitled "The Little Kidnappers." The total film cost was approximately \$3,200,000. Of this amount, the Partnership has invested approximately \$2,794,000, which includes a production and overhead fee of \$300,000 paid to the General Partner. As of December 31, 1998, the Partnership's net investment in the film, after consideration of amortization, is \$2,210. From inception to December 31, 1998, the Partnership has recognized approximately \$2,998,000 of revenue from this film, which includes the initial license fees of approximately \$1,365,000 from The Disney Channel and the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation, which were used to finance the film's production. As of December 31, 1998, \$102 in net receivables was outstanding from the film's distributors and licensees. These amounts were received by the Partnership in February 1999.

"The Story Lady"

In April 1991, the General Partner, on behalf of the Partnership, entered into an agreement with NBC Productions, Inc. ("NBC") for the production of a full-length made-for-television film entitled "The Story Lady." The total cost of the film was approximately \$4,300,000. Of this amount, the Partnership invested approximately \$1,183,000 in return for worldwide

distribution rights to this film, excluding United States and Canadian broadcast television rights. Included in the total amount invested is a production and overhead fee of \$120,000 paid to the General Partner. In December 1995, the Partnership fully recovered its remaining net investment in the film. From inception to December 31, 1998, the Partnership has recognized approximately \$2,309,000 of revenue from this film. As of December 31, 1998, the Partnership had outstanding receivables from the film's domestic and international distributors

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and licensees totaling \$106,295, of which \$10,000 was received by the Partnership in January 1999 and \$11,122 was received by the Partnership in February 1999. During 1998, the Partnership recorded an allowance of \$80,300 related to the potential uncollectibility of certain amounts due from international distributors. The Partnership anticipates payment of the remaining \$85,173 over the next three to twenty-four months as collected by distributors.

"Curacao"

In October 1992, the General Partner, on behalf of the Partnership, entered into an agreement with Showtime Networks, Inc. ("Showtime") for the production of a full-length, made-for-television film entitled "Curacao." The total production cost of the film was approximately \$4,410,000. In addition to the costs of production, the Partnership paid the General Partner \$500,000 as a production and overhead fee for services rendered in connection with arranging the Showtime pre-sale and supervising production of this picture. From inception to December 31, 1998, the Partnership has recognized approximately \$4,032,000 of revenue from this film, which includes the initial license fee and home video advance from Showtime of \$2,650,000 which was used to finance the film's production.

During the third quarter of 1995, the General Partner reassessed the anticipated total gross revenue remaining from the distribution of "Curacao" in available international and domestic television markets. Based on revised television sales projections by unexploited territory, a reduction was made to the Partnership's estimate of total gross revenue to be recognized from the future distribution of the film. Accordingly, based on the reduced revenue projections for the film (primarily in international television revenues), a determination was made by the General Partner that the Partnership's net investment in "Curacao" of \$1,076,664 exceeded the film's estimated net realizable value of \$832,500 as of September 30, 1995. As a result, the Partnership recorded a write-down of film production cost of \$244,164 to reduce the unamortized cost of the film to its estimated net realizable value as of September 30, 1995.

Likewise, in the third quarter of 1996, the General Partner again reassessed the anticipated gross revenue remaining from the distribution of "Curacao" based on revised estimated television sales projections and actual results of the film's distribution in comparison to the film's prior projections. A determination was made by the General Partner that the Partnership's net investment in "Curacao" of \$756,744 exceeded the film's estimated net realizable value of \$100,000 as of September 30, 1996, resulting in a write-down of \$656,744. The film's estimated net realizable value was calculated based on an estimate of anticipated revenues remaining over the life of the film from international and domestic television distribution, net of estimated distribution fees and costs, as of September 30, 1996.

These revenue projections were estimated by the General Partner and the film's distributor based on the film's prior distribution history, the remaining international and domestic territories available to the film for future television distribution and the General Partner's and the distributor's previous distribution experience with other films. As of December 31, 1998, the Partnership's net investment in the film, after consideration of amortization and the write-downs discussed above, was \$62,763.

(6) INCOME TAXES

Income tax provision (benefit) resulting from the Partnership's operations are not reflected in the accompanying financial statements as such amounts accrue directly to the partners. The Federal and state income tax returns of the Partnership are prepared and filed by the General Partner.

The Partnership's tax returns, the qualification of the Partnership as a limited partnership for tax purposes, and the amount of distributable Partnership income or loss are subject to examination by Federal and state taxing authorities. If such examinations result in changes with respect to the Partnership's tax status or to the Partnership's recorded income or loss, the tax liability of the general and limited partners would be adjusted accordingly.

The Partnership's only significant book-tax differences between the financial reporting and tax bases of the Partnership's assets and liabilities are associated with: 1) the difference between the amount of film production cost amortization and loss from write-down of film production cost recognized under generally

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accepted accounting principles and the amount of expense allowed for tax purposes; and 2) the allowance for doubtful accounts which is not yet deductible for tax purposes. Film production cost recognized under generally accepted accounting principles exceeded the amount of expense recognized for tax purposes by approximately \$533,000, \$178,000 and \$91,300 for the years ended December 31, 1996, 1997 and 1998, respectively.

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ITEM 9. CHANGES IN AND DISAGREEMENTS WITH ACCOUNTANTS

ON ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

None.

PART III.

ITEM 10. DIRECTORS AND EXECUTIVE OFFICERS OF THE REGISTRANT

The Partnership itself has no officers or directors. Certain information concerning directors and executive officers of the General Partner of the Registrant is set forth below. Each of the directors serves until the next annual meeting of the shareholders of the General Partner and until their successors shall be elected and qualified.

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Name	Age	Positions with the General Partner
<S>	<C>	<C>
Glenn R. Jones	69	Chairman of the Board, Chief Executive Officer and President
Steven W. Gampp	47	Vice President/Finance and Treasurer
Keith D. Thompson	32	Chief Accounting Officer
Elizabeth M. Steele	47	Secretary
Wilfred N. Cooper, Sr.	68	Director
J. Rodney Dyer	63	Director
Robert Kearney	62	Director
David K. Zonker	45	Director

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Mr. Glenn R. Jones has served as Chairman of the Board of Directors and Chief Executive Officer of the General Partner since its inception and he has served as President of the General Partner since April 1994. Mr. Jones is also the Chairman of the Board of Directors and Chief Executive Officer of the

General Partner's principal shareholder, Jones 21st Century, Inc., a subsidiary of Jones International, Ltd. Mr. Jones has served as Chairman of the Board of Directors and Chief Executive Officer of Jones Intercable, Inc., one of the nation's largest cable television companies, since its formation in 1970, and he was President of that company from June 1984 until April 1988. Mr. Jones is the sole shareholder, President and Chairman of the Board of Directors of Jones International, Ltd. He is also Chairman of the Board of Directors of other affiliates of the General Partner. He is a member of the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee of the National Cable Television Association. Additionally, Mr. Jones is a member of the Board of Governors for the American Society for Training and Development, and a member of the Board of Education Council of the National Alliance of Business. Mr. Jones is also a founding member of the James Madison Council of the Library of Congress. Mr. Jones has been the recipient of several awards including the Grand Tam Award in 1989, the highest award from the Cable Television Administration and Marketing Society; the President's Award from the Cable Television Public Affairs Association in recognition of Jones International's educational efforts through Mind Extension University (now Knowledge TV); the Donald G. McGannon Award for the advancement of minorities and women in cable from the United Church of Christ Office of Communications; the STAR Award from American Women in Radio and Television, Inc. for exhibition of a commitment to the issues and concerns of women in television and radio; the Cableforce 2000 Accolade awarded by Women in Cable in recognition of the General Partner's innovative employee programs; the Most Outstanding Corporate Individual Achievement Award from the International Distance Learning Conference for his contributions to distance education; the Golden Plate Award from the American Academy of Achievement for his advances in distance education; the Man of the Year named by the Denver chapter of the Achievement Rewards for College Scientists; and in 1994 Mr. Jones was inducted into Broadcasting and Cable's Hall of Fame.

Mr. Steven W. Gampp was elected Vice President/Finance and Treasurer of the General Partner in January 1997. Mr. Gampp serves as the Chief Financial Officer of Jones International, Ltd., an affiliate of the General Partner. Mr. Gampp was employed by Nu-West Industries, Inc., a publicly-held phosphate fertilizer manufacturer for seven years, most recently as the Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. Mr. Gampp is a

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Certified Public Accountant and is a member of both the American and the Colorado societies of Certified Public Accountants.

Mr. Keith D. Thompson was elected the Chief Accounting Officer of the General Partner in March 1997. Mr. Thompson is also the Chief Accounting Officer of other affiliates of the General Partner. Mr. Thompson has also been associated with Jones International, Ltd., an affiliate of the General Partner, since October 1994, most recently as Controller from July 1997 to present. From July 1989 to October 1994, Mr. Thompson was an auditor for Deloitte & Touche LLP. Mr. Thompson is a Certified Public Accountant and is a member of both the American and the Colorado societies of Certified Public Accountants.

Ms. Elizabeth M. Steele is Secretary of the General Partner. She is Vice President/General Counsel and Secretary of Jones Intercable, Inc., and is also the Secretary of other affiliates of the General Partner. From August 1980 until joining Jones Intercable, Inc., Ms. Steele was an associate and then a partner at the Denver law firm of Davis, Graham & Stubbs, which serves as counsel to the General Partner.

Mr. Wilfred N. Cooper, Sr. became a director of the General Partner in December 1994. Mr. Cooper has been the principal shareholder and a Director of WNC & Associates, Inc. since its organization in 1971, of Shelter Resource Corporation since its organization in 1981 and of WNC Resources, Inc. from its organization in 1988 through its acquisition by WNC & Associates, Inc. in 1991, serving as President of those companies through June 1992 and as Chief Executive Officer since June 1992.

Mr. J. Rodney Dyer became a director of the General Partner in December 1994. Mr. Dyer has been the President and sole shareholder of Rod Dyer Group, Inc. since its formation in 1967. Rod Dyer Group, Inc. specializes in advertising, marketing and promotion. Rod Dyer Group, Inc. filed for protection under Chapter 11 of the Federal Bankruptcy Act in December 1991 and was released

in March 1994.

Mr. Robert Kearney was appointed a director of the General Partner in July 1997. Mr. Kearney is a retired executive officer of Bell Canada. Prior to his retirement in December 1993, Mr. Kearney was the President and Chief Executive Officer of Bell Canada. He served as Chairman of BCE Canadian Telecom Group in 1994 and as Deputy Chairman of BCI Management Limited in 1995. During his career, Mr. Kearney served in a variety of capacities in the Canadian, American and International Standards organizations, and he has served on several corporate, professional and civic boards.

Mr. David K. Zonker became a director of the General Partner in December 1994. Mr. Zonker has been the President of Jones International Securities, Ltd. since January 1984 and he has been its Chief Executive Officer since January 1988. Mr. Zonker is a member of the Board of Directors of various affiliates of the General Partner. Mr. Zonker is licensed by the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. and he is the immediate past chairman of the Investment Program Association, a trade organization based in Washington, D.C. that promotes direct investments.

ITEM 11. EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

The Partnership has no employees; however, various personnel are required to operate its business. Such personnel are employed by the General Partner and, pursuant to the terms of the Partnership's limited partnership agreement, the cost of such employment can be charged by the General Partner to the Partnership as a reimbursement item. See Item 13.

ITEM 12. SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL

OWNERS AND MANAGEMENT

As of March 4, 1999, no person or entity owns more than 5 percent of the limited partnership interests in the Partnership, except for Herbert Borbe. Mr. Borbe owns 800 of the 12,743 partnership interests outstanding as of December 31, 1998. Mr. Borbe's address is 218 Main Street, Suite 216, Kirkland, Washington 98033. Mr. Borbe is not a director, officer or employee of the General Partner or any of its affiliates, and, except for his approximately 6 percent interest in the Partnership, he is not otherwise affiliated with the General Partner and its affiliates.

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ITEM 13. CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND RELATED TRANSACTIONS

The General Partner and its affiliates engage in certain transactions with the Partnership as contemplated by the limited partnership agreement of the Partnership. The General Partner believes that the terms of such transactions are generally as favorable as could be obtained by the Partnership from unaffiliated parties. This determination has been made by the General Partner in good faith, but none of the terms were or will be negotiated at arm's-length and there can be no assurance that the terms of such transactions have been or will be as favorable as those that could have been obtained by the Partnership from unaffiliated parties. During 1998, in aggregate, transactions of this nature totaled less than \$60,000.

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PART IV.

ITEM 14. EXHIBITS, FINANCIAL STATEMENT SCHEDULES AND REPORTS ON FORM 8-K

(a) The following documents are filed as part of this report:

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1. Financial statements
 2. Schedules - Financial Data Schedule.
 3. The following exhibits are filed herewith:
 - 4.1 Limited Partnership Agreement. (1)

(1) Incorporated by reference from the Partnership's Annual Report on Form 10-K for year ended December 31, 1989.

(b) Reports on Form 8-K:

None.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

JONES PROGRAMMING PARTNERS 1-A, LTD.,
a Colorado limited partnership
By Jones Entertainment Group, Ltd.,
its General Partner

By: /s/ Glenn R. Jones

Glenn R. Jones
Chairman of the Board, Chief Executive Officer
and President

Dated: March 24, 1999

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

By: /s/ Glenn R. Jones

Glenn R. Jones
Chairman of the Board, Chief Executive Officer
and President
(Principal Executive Officer)

Dated: March 24, 1999

By: /s/ Steven W. Gamp

Steven W. Gamp
Vice President/Finance and Treasurer
(Principal Financial Officer)

Dated: March 24, 1999

By: /s/ Keith D. Thompson

Keith D. Thompson
Chief Accounting Officer
(Principal Accounting Officer)

Dated: March 24, 1999

By: /s/ Wilfred N. Cooper, Sr.

Wilfred N. Cooper, Sr.
Director

Dated: March 24, 1999

By: /s/ J. Rodney Dyer

J. Rodney Dyer
Director

Dated: March 24, 1999

By: /s/ Robert Kearney

Robert Kearney
Director

Dated: March 24, 1999

By: /s/ David K. Zonker

David K. Zonker
Director

Dated: March 24, 1999

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