



Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554

August 10, 2022

IHM Licenses, LLC
7136 S. Yale Ave.
Tulsa, OK 74136

Re: IHM Licenses, LLC
KTOK(AM), Oklahoma City, OK
Fac. ID No.: 11925
Special Temporary Authority

Dear Applicant:

This is in reference to the request filed August 5, 2022, on behalf of IHM Licenses, LLC ("IHM"). IHM requests special temporary authority ("STA") to operate station KTOK(AM) with parameters at variance from its licensed facilities and/or reduced power.¹ Specifically, IHM requests that station KTOK(AM) be permitted to operate during nighttime hours with the station's licensed daytime antenna system.

In support of the request, IHM states that the KTOK(AM) array switching and control system has failed, and the station can operate with the daytime directional facility only. Therefore, until the necessary repairs can be made, KTOK(AM) requests STA to operate during daytime and nighttime hours with its licensed daytime antenna system. Operation is proposed with a reduced daytime and nighttime power of 1.25 kilowatts.

Accordingly, the request for STA IS HEREBY GRANTED. KTOK(AM) may operate during daytime and nighttime hours using the licensed daytime directional antenna system with a reduced power of 1.25 kilowatts. It will be necessary to further reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received. KTOK(AM) must notify the Commission when licensed operation is restored. KTOK(AM) must use whatever means are necessary to protect workers and the public from exposure to radio frequency radiation in excess of the Commission's exposure guidelines. *See* 47 CFR § 1.1310.

This authority expires on **February 6, 2023**.

STA Advisory: Section 309(f) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, authorizes the Commission to grant STA in cases of "extraordinary circumstances requiring temporary authorizations in the public interest and when delay in the institution of the temporary operations would seriously prejudice the public interest." However, Section 309(f) is not a means by which a licensee/permittee may circumvent established processing procedures which require the filing of an application, nor is it a means by which a broadcaster may enhance his facility or make

¹ KTOK(AM) is licensed for operation on 1000 kHz with a daytime and nighttime power of 5.8 kilowatts, employing different directional antenna patterns (DA2-U).

operation more convenient for the broadcaster. Stations operating with less than licensed facilities under temporary authorities can be viewed as receiving the benefit of a larger protection area than that in which they are currently providing service.

Accordingly, Special Temporary Authorities by nature are to be temporary and are not intended for extended use. Licensees of stations operating under temporary authorities are reminded that timely restoration of permanent facilities is the responsibility of the licensee and should be undertaken expeditiously. Any request for extension of special temporary authorities carries an increased burden with each subsequent request.

Therefore, requests for extension of STA will be granted only where the licensee can show that one or more of the following criteria have been met:

- Restoration of licensed facilities is complete and testing is underway;
- Substantial progress has been made during the most recent STA period toward restoration of licensed operation; or
- No progress has been made during the most recent STA period for reasons clearly beyond the licensee's control, and the licensee has taken all possible steps to expeditiously resolve the problem.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Jerome J. Manarchuck". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Jerome" and last name "Manarchuck" clearly distinguishable.

Jerome J. Manarchuck
Audio Division
Media Bureau

cc: Troy Langham (via email only)