

Federal Communications Commission Washington, D.C. 20554

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Orlando Radio Marketing, Inc. Suite 103 3113 Stirling Road Fort Lauderdale, FL 33313

Re: Orlando Radio Marketing, Inc. WNDO(AM), Apopka, FL Fac. ID No.:1185
Special Temporary Authority

Dear Applicant:

This is in reference to the request filed October 11, 2022 on behalf of Orlando Radio Marketing, Inc. ("ORM"). ORM requests special temporary authority ("STA") to operate station WNDO(AM) from an alternate site location.¹

In support of the request, ORM states that WNDO(AM) has lost its transmitter site. In addition, implementation of its construction permit to be combined with station WRSO(AM) on its existing two tower array has been delayed by the accidental collapse of one of the towers. Therefore, WNDO(AM) is requesting STA to operate non-directionally from the remaining tower at the WRSO(AM) site.

The proposed STA site is located 6.8 miles (10.9 kilometers) from the licensed WNDO(AM) site. A non-directional operation is requested with a daytime power of 1 kilowatt and a nighttime power of 0.01 kilowatt. STA operation is proposed from tower #1 (ASRN: 1247871) of the WRSO(AM) array.

STA requests which involve a change in transmitter site must include four critical elements: (1) Loss of the licensed site must be beyond the licensee's control; (2) STA facilities must continue to provide service to the licensed community; (3) STA facilities must maintain, as closely as practicable, the licensed service area² without extending it; (4) STA facilities cannot involve the construction of towers intended for permanent use by the station requesting the STA.

Accordingly, the request for STA is GRANTED. Station WNDO(AM) may operate with the following facilities:

¹ WNDO(AM) is licensed for operation on 1520 kHz with a daytime power of 5 kilowatts and a nighttime power of 0.35 kilowatt, employing different directional antenna patterns (DA2-U). The station is also authorized by construction permit to operate on 1520 kHz with a daytime power of 4 kilowatts and a nighttime power of 0.008 kilowatt, employing different directional antenna patterns (DA2-U).

² For AM - 0.5 mV/m contour; for FM - 1.0 mV/m contour.

Geographic coordinates 28° 34′ 11″ N, 81° 26′ 01″ W (NAD 1927)

Frequency 1520 kHz

Hours of operation Daytime and Nighttime

Operating power 1 kilowatt (Daytime), 0.01 kilowatt (Nighttime)

Antenna type Existing WRSO(AM) tower

ASRN 1247871 Electrical height of radiator 168.8°

Antenna Efficiency 367.3 mV/m per kW at 1 km

Simultaneous operation of stations WNDO(AM) and WRSO(AM) from the WRSO(AM) site shall not commence until sufficient diplexing equipment has been installed and properly adjusted to reduce all spurious emissions below the levels specified in 47 CFR Section 73.44(b). Within 60 days after commencement of such operation, ORM must submit the results of measurements which demonstrate compliance with the above condition. In addition, a copy of a firm agreement of the two stations fixing the responsibility of each with regard to the installation and maintenance of such equipment shall be submitted with the results of the measurements. ORM shall also be responsible for handling all reasonable complaints of blanketing interference within the 1 V/m contour as required by Section 73.88 of the Commission's rules.

It will be necessary to further reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received. WNDO(AM) must notify the Commission when licensed operation is restored. WNDO(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 April 18, 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 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,

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Audio Division Media Bureau

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