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Re: WRBH (FM), New Orleans, Louisiana
Facility Identification Number: 54575
Radio for the Blind and Handicapped, Inc.
Special Temporary Authorization

Dear Counsel:

This is in reference to the request filed January 7, 2009, on behalf of Radio for the Blind and Handicapped, Inc. ("RBH"). RBH requests further extension of the special temporary authority ("STA") granted on October 31, 2005, to operate Station WRBH with emergency antenna facilities pursuant to Section 73.1680.¹ In support of the request, RBH states that, following the refusal of Station WDSU (TV) to make room for WRBH in its new transmitter building, RBH is in the process of constructing its own transmitter building.

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.

Our review indicates that the licensee has been prevented from restoring licensed operation due to causes beyond its control and has taken all possible steps to expeditiously resolve the problem. Thus, extension of STA is warranted.

Accordingly, the request for extension of STA IS HEREBY GRANTED. Station WRBH may

¹ Station WRBH is licensed for operation on Channel 202C1 (88.3 MHz) with effective radiated power of 51 kilowatts (H&V), and antenna height above average terrain of 190 meters.

continue to operate with the following facilities:

Geographic coordinates:	29° 55' 18" N, 90° 05' 30" W (NAD 1927)
Channel	202 (88.3 MHz)
Effective radiated power:	0.83 kilowatts (H&V)
Antenna height:	
above ground:	26 meters
above mean sea level:	27 meters
above average terrain:	27 meters

RBH must notify the Commission when licensed operation is restored. RBH 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 **January 8, 2010**.

Sincerely,



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cc: Radio for the Blind and Handicapped, Inc.