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Troy G. Langham, FCC Engineering Supervisor
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Re: WODT (AM), New Orleans, Louisiana
Facility Identification Number: 11947
Clear Channel Broadcasting Licenses, Inc.
Special Temporary Authority

Dear Mr. Langham:

This is in reference to the request filed December 15, 2009, on behalf of Clear Channel Broadcasting Licenses, Inc. ("CCBL"). CCBL requests extension of the special temporary authority ("STA") granted on April 16, 2008, to operate Station WODT with parameters at variance and/or reduced power while maintaining monitor points within licensed limits.¹ In support of the request, CCBL states that it had just completed repairs and restored the antenna system to licensed parameters when the array was again struck and damaged by lightning. CCBL requests further extension of STA so that it can assess the new damage and make necessary repairs.

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 is taking steps to resolve the problem; thus, extension of STA is

¹ WODT is licensed for operation on 1280 kHz with 5 kilowatts, unlimited hours, employing a directional antenna (DA-1-U).

warranted.

Accordingly, the request for extension of STA IS HEREBY GRANTED. Station WODT may continue to operate with parameters at variance and/or reduced power while maintaining monitor points within licensed limits. It will be necessary to further reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received. CCBL must notify the Commission when licensed operation is restored.² CCBL 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 **June 18, 2010**.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Charles N. Miller", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Charles N. Miller, Engineer
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cc: Clear Channel Broadcasting Licenses, Inc.

² *See* 47 CFR §§ 73.45(c), 73.51, 73.54, 73.61(b).