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Re: WWTC(AM), Minneapolis, Minnesota

Facility Identification Number: 9676

Salem Media Group, LLC

Special Temporary Authorization

## Dear Counsel:

This is in reference to the request filed January 28, 2010, and amended on February 19, 2010, on behalf of Salem Media Group, LLC ("Salem"). Salem requests modification and extension of the special temporary authority ("STA") granted on July 31, 2009, for operation of Station WWTC during nighttime hours with parameters at variance and/or reduced power while maintaining monitor points within licensed limits. In support of the request, Salem states that it is continuing to investigate the cause of the out-of-tolerance operation, which appears to be temperature-related. In its February 19 amendment, Salem states that it plans to file a proof of performance based on Method of Moments ("MOM") modeling, and requests modification of STA to authorize operation with MOM-drived parameters.

Our review indicates that, due to the derivation of new operating parameters via MOM analysis, neither the currently licensed antenna monitor readings nor the licensed monitor point field strength limits will necessarily be applicable to the proposed STA operation with MOM-derived parameters.

Accordingly, the request for modification and further extension of STA IS HEREBY GRANTED. Station WWTC may continue to operate during nighttime hours with parameters at variance and/or reduced power while maintaining monitor points within licensed limits. Following completion of necessary measurements and adjustment to MOM parameters, Station WWTC may operate during nighttime hours with its substantially adjusted directional antenna system pending the filing and processing of an application for modification of license supported by a MOM proof of performance pursuant to 47 C.F.R. Section 73.151(c). Operating parameters shall be maintained as specified in the request.<sup>2</sup> It will be necessary to further reduce power or

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> WWTC is licensed for operation on 1280 kHz with 5 kilowatts, unlimited hours, employing a directional antenna during nighttime hours only (DA-N-U).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Operating parameters shall be maintained within  $\pm$  5% current ratios and  $\pm$  3° phase of the moment method derived parameters, which must be posted with the station license along with a copy of this letter.

cease operation if complaints of interference are received. Salem 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 September 29, 2010.

Sincerely,

Charles N. Miller, Engineer

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cc: Salem Media Group, LLC