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(Reissued May 12, 2010, to correct licensee name)

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Re: KCMD (AM), Portland, Oregon
Facility Identification Number: 26926
Alpha Licensee, LLC ("Alpha")
Special Temporary Authority

Dear Counsel:

This is in reference to the request filed February 11, 2010, by Alpha Licensee, LLC ("Alpha") Alpha requests further extension of the special temporary authority ("STA") granted on January 23, 2009, to operate Station KCMD with parameters at variance and/or reduced power while maintaining monitor points within licensed limits.¹ In support of the request, Alpha states that a guy wire on a nearby tower was broken in a storm and was replaced with a non-insulated, temporary guy which is adversely affecting the KCMD directional pattern. Alpha states that a new replacement guy wire has been installed but that additional tuning work is required.

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 made substantial progress toward restoring licensed operation. Thus, extension of STA is warranted.

¹ KCMD is licensed for operation on 970 kHz with 5 kilowatts daytime and 5 kilowatts nighttime, employing a directional antenna during nighttime hours only (DA-N-U).

Accordingly, the request for extension of STA IS HEREBY GRANTED. Station KCMD 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. Alpha must notify the Commission when licensed operation is restored.² Alpha 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 **August 3, 2010**.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Charles N. Miller".

Charles N. Miller, Engineer
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cc: Alpha Licensee, LLC

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