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Re: WDMJ(AM), Marquette, Michigan  
Facility Identification Number: 24448  
Northern Star Broadcasting, LLC  
Special Temporary Authorization

Dear Counsel:

This is in reference to the request filed March 31, 2010, on behalf of Northern Star Broadcasting, LLC ("NSB"). NSB requests extension of the special temporary authority ("STA") granted on October 16, 2009, to operate Station WDMJ with reduced power.<sup>1</sup> In support of the request, NSB states that the conditions described in the original request for STA remain substantially unchanged.

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 STA IS GRANTED. Station WDMJ may operate with reduced daytime power not less than 280 watts. NSB must notify the Commission when licensed operation is restored. NSB must use whatever means are necessary to protect workers and the

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<sup>1</sup> WDMJ is licensed for operation on 1320 kHz with 5 kilowatts daytime and 0.135 kilowatt nighttime, employing a nondirectional antenna.

public from exposure to radio frequency radiation in excess of the Commission's exposure guidelines. *See* 47 CFR § 1.1310.

This authority expires on **November 13, 2010**. Further extension of this authority is not contemplated.

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: Northern Star Broadcasting, LLC