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Re: WRDT (AM), Monroe, Michigan
Facility Identification Number: 25083
WMUZ Radio, Inc.
Special Temporary Authorization

Dear Counsel:

This is in reference to the request filed July 21, 2011, on behalf of WMUZ Radio, Inc. ("WRI"). WRI requests special temporary authority ("STA") to operate Station WRDT with parameters at variance.¹ In support of the request, WRI states that it is preparing to file an application for license based on a Method of Moments ("MOM") proof of performance.

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 STA IS HEREBY GRANTED. Station WRDT may operate during daytime hours with parameters at variance and/or reduced power while maintaining monitor points within licensed limits. Following completion of necessary system modifications, adjustments and measurements, Station WRDT may operate during daytime hours with its substantially adjusted daytime directional antenna system pending the filing and processing of an application for modification of license supported by a MOM proof of performance. During this mode of operation, operating parameters shall be maintained within $\pm 5\%$ current ratios and $\pm 3^\circ$ phase of the MOM-derived parameters, which must be posted with the station license along with a copy of this letter. It will be necessary to further reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received. WRI 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 22, 2012**.

¹ WRDT is licensed for operation on 560 kHz with 0.5 kilowatt daytime and 0.014 kilowatt nighttime, employing a directional antenna during daytime hours only (DA-D-U).

STA Advisory: Section 309(f) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, authorizes the Commission to grant STA in cases of "extraordinary circumstances requiring temporary authorizations in the public interest and when delay in the institution of the temporary operations would seriously prejudice the public interest." However, Section 309(f) is not a means by which a licensee/permittee may circumvent established processing procedures which require the filing of an application, nor is it a means by which a broadcaster may enhance his facility or make operation more convenient for the broadcaster. Stations operating with less than licensed facilities under temporary authorities can be viewed as receiving the benefit of a larger protection area than that in which they are currently providing service.

Accordingly, Special Temporary Authorities by nature are to be temporary and are not intended for extended use. Licensees of stations operating under temporary authorities are reminded that timely restoration of permanent facilities is the responsibility of the licensee and should be undertaken expeditiously. Any request for extension of special temporary authorities carries an increased burden with each subsequent request.

Therefore, 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.

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: WMUZ Radio, Inc.