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Re: WCPE (FM), Raleigh, North Carolina

Facility Identification Number: 18831 Educational Information Corporation Special Temporary Authorization

## Dear Counsel:

This is in reference to the request filed October 20, 2011, on behalf of Educational Information Corporation ("EIC"). EIC requests extension of the special temporary authority ("STA") granted on June 17, 2011, to operate Station WCPE with reduced power and/or antenna height.<sup>1</sup>

In support of the request, EIC states that replacement of the guy wires on the station's tower has been prevented by delays in obtaining the necessary materials due to manufacturer schedule overruns. In order to maintain operation during the course of the work, EIC requests STA for operation from either its main or auxiliary antenna, with its main or auxiliary transmitter, and with reduced power as necessary for the protection of workers on the tower.

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> WCPE is licensed for operation on Channel 209C (89.7 MHz) with effective radiated power ("ERP") of 100 kW (Max-BT, H&V) and antenna height above average terrain ("HAAT") of 359 meters. Auxiliary antenna BXLED-19990325KB is licensed for operation from the same site with ERP of 32 kW (H&V) and HAAT of 207 meters.

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 extension of STA IS HEREBY GRANTED. Station WCPE may operate from its licensed site with reduced power and/or antenna height, as necessary to facilitate the planned guy wire replacement. EIC must notify the Commission when licensed operation is restored. EIC 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 May 30, 2012.

Sincerely,

Charles N. Miller, Engineer

Audio Division Media Bureau

cc: Educational Information Corporation