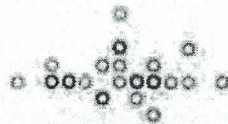


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Office of the Secretary

Re: KNCM-FM, Appleton, MN
Facility ID No. 42967
Minnesota Public Radio (FRN 0002-6425-10)
Request for Extension of Special Temporary Authority

Dear Ms Dortch:

On behalf of Minnesota Public Radio ("MPR"), licensee of KNCM-FM, Appleton, MN, this is to request further special temporary authority to operate at variance with licensed parameters. MPR originally filed Engineering STA on February 28, 2012, file number BSTA-20120228ACE (copy attached). The Commission granted the STA on March 1, 2012 (copy attached) and has an expiration date of June 1, 2012.

MPR has made substantial progress during the most recent STA period toward restoration of the licensed operation. The damaged transmission line has been replaced. However, it was subsequently discovered that the antenna is damaged and needs replacement. The station is now operating at about 5% of its authorized power.

The licensee has taken all reasonable steps to expeditiously resolve this issue. MPR therefore respectfully requests an additional grant of STA for KNCM-FM to continue to operate at approximately 5% of its authorized power. Because MPR is a noncommercial, educational licensee, no filing fee is required with this request.

Please contact this office or our outside counsel, Todd Stansbury at Wiley Rein (202) 719-7000, if there are any questions.

Sincerely,

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