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Mr. Barry Persh Dow Lohnes, PLLC 1200 New Hampshire Avenue NW, Suite 800 Washington, DC 20036

Re: W269BQ (FX), Virginia Beach, VA

Hampton Roads Educational

Telecommunications Association, Inc. Facility Identification Number: 148527

Special Temporary Authority BESTA-20130212AAY

Dear Mr. Persh:

This is in reference to the request filed February 12, 2013, on behalf of Hampton Roads Educational Telecommunications Association, Inc. ("HRETA"). HRETA requests an extension of the August 17, 2012 special temporary authority ("STA") to operate FM Translator W269BQ with reduced power. During the initial STA period, HRETA had reduced power to resolve an interference complaint, and has since obtained a construction permit (file no. BPFT-20120816AAD) at a new transmitter site that it is actively building out.

We conclude that the circumstances provided by HRETA warrant extension of the STA. Accordingly, the request for extension of STA IS HEREBY GRANTED, so that W269BQ may continue operation with the facilities specified in license BLFT-20111114BQI but at reduced power.

HRETA 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 27, 2013.

¹ W269BQ is licensed for operation on Channel 269D (101.7 MHz) with effective radiated power of 0.25 kilowatt (H&V) and antenna height above average terrain of 95 meters.

STA Advisory: 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,

Dale Bickel Senior Engineer Audio Division Media Bureau

cc: Hampton Roads Educational Telecommunications Association, Inc.