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Re: WABD (FM), Mobile, AL

Educational Media Foundation

Facility Identification Number: 70657

Special Temporary Authority

BSTA-20130307AAZ

## Dear Counsel:

This is in reference to the request filed March 7, 2013, on behalf of Educational Media Foundation ("EMF"). EMF requests an extension of the special temporary authority ("STA") issued September 11, 2012 to continue operating Station WADB with reduced power due to a malfunctioning transformer. A problem was subsequently found with the station's transmission line, and a tower crew has been scheduled for the week of March 11, 2013, weather permitting.

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 request complies with these requirements. Accordingly, the request for extension of the STA IS HEREBY GRANTED for a 90 day period. Station WABD may continue to operate with reduced power. EMF must notify the Commission when licensed operation is restored. EMF must use whatever means are necessary to protect workers and the public from radiofrequency exposure in excess of the Commission's exposure guidelines. *See* 47 CFR § 1.1310.

This authority expires on June 11, 2013.

Sincerely,

Dale Bickel Senior Engineer Audio Division Media Bureau

cc: Educational Media Foundation