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Re: Radio License Holding CBC, LLC  
KARN(AM), Little Rock, Arkansas  
Facility Identification Number: 60703  
Special Temporary Authority  
BESTA-20130620ABN

Dear Mr. Lipp:

This is in reference to the request filed June 20, 2013, on behalf of Radio License Holding CBC, LLC ("RLH"). RLH requests further extension of the special temporary authority ("STA") granted on December 20, 2012, to operate Station KARN with emergency antenna facilities pursuant to Section 73.1680.<sup>1</sup> In support of the request, RLH states that severe damage was caused to the antenna system by vandals in December 2010, and that Cumulus Media Inc. inherited KARN's technical problems when Cumulus and Citidel merged. Cumulus conducted its own evaluation of the station and determined that the damage was so severe that not only would repairs require a substantial amount of work but extra security may be necessary to protect the transmitter site. RLN respectfully requests an extension of its STA to continue to operate in this mode while it considers its technical options for restoration of nighttime service.

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.

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<sup>1</sup> KARN is licensed for operation on 920 kHz with 5 kilowatts, unlimited hours, employing a directional antenna during nighttime hours only.

Our review indicates that the licensee has been prevented from restoring licensed operation due 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 KARN may operate during nighttime hours with an emergency nondirectional antenna and reduced nominal power not to exceed 1.25 kilowatts, only as necessary pending restoration of directional operation. Authority also is granted for operation during nighttime hours with parameters at variance and/or reduced power while maintaining monitor points within licensed limits, pending the filing and processing of an application for direct measurement of operating power. It will be necessary to further reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received. RLH must notify the Commission when licensed operation is restored.<sup>2</sup> RLH 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 **December 20, 2013**.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "JKong".

Jimmy Kong, Engineer  
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Media Bureau

cc: Radio License Holding CBC, LLC

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<sup>2</sup> See 47 CFR § 73.45(c), 73.51, 73.54, 73.61(b).