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Re: NEW (FB), San Diego, CA¹
Citicasters Licenses, Inc.
Facility Identification Number: 191753
Special Temporary Authority
BSTA-20130802ABT

Dear Counsel:

This is in reference to the request filed August 2, 2013, on behalf of Citicasters Licenses, Inc. ("Citicasters"). Citicasters requests special temporary authority ("STA") to construct and operate the new FM booster station proposed in construction permit application BNPFT-20130715ABR, in advance of the grant of the construction permit. This grant would permit KIOZ to be rebroadcast within the football stadium of the San Diego Chargers.

We have reviewed this request but find no basis for granting the requested STA. It is not FCC practice to grant an STA before the grant of an initial construction permit for a facility. Nor does the requested STA maintain existing service for a licensed station. The licensee has not demonstrated any compelling need for operation in advance of the booster construction permit. While there may be some improvement in reception of the KIOZ primary station within the stadium itself, the importance of this effect is muted by the comparatively short duration and varied schedules of football games and other events inside the stadium. The proposed operation is well within the existing service contour of the primary station KIOZ.

Accordingly, this STA request is DENIED. Citicasters will have to await the grant of FM booster application BNPFT-20130715ABR before implementing the requested facility.

Sincerely,



Dale Bickel
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¹ Inasmuch as this STA request relates to the proposed new FM booster station under Facility ID number 191753, and NOT the primary station KIOZ, the database has been corrected to link this STA request to the proposed booster's Facility ID number.