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Spirit Communications, Inc.  
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Re: K293AY (FX), Enumclaw, WA  
Spirit Communications, Inc.  
Facility Identification Number: 155196  
Special Temporary Authority  
BSTA-20130715AEA

Dear Licensee:

This is in reference to the request filed July 15, 2013, by Spirit Communications, Inc. ("Spirit"). Spirit requests special temporary authority ("STA") to operate station K293AY with temporary facilities.<sup>1</sup> This translator went silent on July 8, 2013, after the site owner required that the tower and all equipment thereon be removed. Spirit proposes to operate from an adjacent structure, with the facilities sought in construction permit application BPFT-20130808AAH.

STA requests for translators that involve a change in transmitter site must include three critical elements: (1) Loss of the licensed site must be beyond the licensee's control; (2) STA facilities must maintain, as closely as practicable, the licensed service area<sup>2</sup> without extending it; and (3) STA facilities cannot involve the construction of towers intended for permanent use by the station requesting the STA. In the present case, the proposed coverage virtually mirrors the licensed coverage.

Accordingly, the request for STA IS HEREBY GRANTED, and translator K293AY may operate with the following facilities:

Geographic coordinates:	47° 13' 10" N, 121° 50' 30" W (NAD 1927)
Channel	293D (106.5 MHz)
Effective radiated power:	0.010 kilowatts (H&V)
Antenna height:	
above ground:	12 meters
above mean sea level:	1221 meters
above average terrain:	627 meters
Tower height above ground level:	20 meters

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<sup>1</sup> K220HA is licensed for operation on Channel 293D (106.5 MHz) with effective radiated power of 0.010 kW (H&V), and an antenna height above average terrain of 677 meters.

<sup>2</sup> For AM - 0.5 mV/m contour; for FM - 1.0 mV/m (60 dBu) contour.

Spirit 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 March 11, 2014.** The grant of this STA does not imply acceptance of construction permit application BPFT-20130808AAH.

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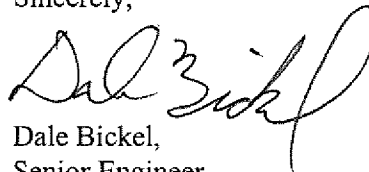
**STA Advisory:** Section 309(f) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, authorizes the Commission to grant STA in cases of "extraordinary circumstances requiring temporary authorizations in the public interest and when delay in the institution of the temporary operations would seriously prejudice the public interest." However, Section 309(f) is not a means by which a licensee/permittee may circumvent established processing procedures which require the filing of an application, nor is it a means by which a broadcaster may enhance his facility or make operation more convenient for the broadcaster. Stations operating with less than licensed facilities under temporary authorities can be viewed as receiving the benefit of a larger protection area than that in which they are currently providing service.

Accordingly, Special Temporary Authorities by nature are to be temporary and are not intended for extended use. Licensees of stations operating under temporary authorities are reminded that timely restoration of permanent facilities is the responsibility of the licensee and should be undertaken expeditiously. Any request for extension of special temporary authorities carries an increased burden with each subsequent request.

Therefore, 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,



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