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Re:

Townsquare Media Shreveport License, LLC - KWKH (AM), Shreveport, Louisiana - Facility Identification Number: 60266 Special Temporary Authority

Dear Counsel:

This is in reference to the request filed November 25, 2013, on behalf of Townsquare Media Shreveport License, LLC ("TMSL"). TMSL requests special temporary authority ("STA") to operate station KWKH(AM) at night with parameters at variance from license values and/or reduced power while maintaining monitor points within license limits.¹

Station KWKH(AM) was granted an STA extension on May 9, 2013 to operate with an emergency non-directional antenna and reduced power. On November 6, 2013, KWKH(AM) filed a request for further extension of the STA. However, TMSL has now filed a new STA request stating that the adjustment of the KWKH(AM) nighttime directive array has been completed and that the monitor points were measured and are below the limits listed on the current license. The nighttime array has been adjusted to a set of parameters based on a calibrated Method of Moments Model of the KWKH(AM) array using base voltage sampling. Therefore, TSL requests STA to operate during nighttime hours with operating parameters at variance with the licensed parameters in order to maintain the existing monitor points below those listed in the current license.

Accordingly, the request for STA IS HEREBY GRANTED. Station KWKH(AM) may operate during nighttime hours with parameters at variance from licensed values and/or reduced power while maintaining monitor points within licensed limits. In addition, the KWKH(AM) request for STA EXTENSION IS HEREBY DISMISSED.² It will be necessary to further reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received. TMSL must notify the

¹ KWKH(AM) is licensed for operation on 1130 kHz with 50 kilowatts of power during daytime and nighttime hours, employing a directional antenna pattern at night (DAN-U).

² The KWKH(AM) STA extension request (BESTA-20131105AAR) was dismissed as moot on November 26, 2013.

Commission when licensed operation is restored.³ TMSL 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 May 26, 2014.

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,

Jerome J. Manarchuck Audio Division Media Bureau

cc: Townsquare Media Texarkana License, LLC

³ See 47 CFR §§ 73.45(c), 73.51, 73.54, 73.61(b)