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Re: WRRZ(AM), Clinton, North Carolina
Facility Identification Number: 73966
Sanchez Broadcasting Corporation
Special Temporary Authority

Dear Counsel:

This is in reference to the request filed December 13, 2013, on behalf of Sanchez Broadcasting Corporation ("SBC"). SBC requests special temporary authority ("STA") to operate station WRRZ(AM) with emergency antenna facilities pursuant to Section 73.1680.¹ In support of the request, SBC states that the series excited WRRZ(AM) tower partially collapsed due to accident caused by the licensee's landscaping contractor. The tractor-driven mower, used by the contractor, struck a guy wire anchor and severed guy wires, resulting in a partial collapse of the tower. Therefore, SBC requests STA to utilize a temporary long wire antenna while the remaining part of the tower is dismantled and a replacement structure is erected in its place.

Section 73.1680 of the Commission's rules provide for operation with emergency antenna facilities following damage to authorized antenna systems, provided that an informal request for continued use of an emergency antenna is filled with the Commission within 24 hours. In particular, Section 73.1680(b)(1) provides that AM stations may use a horizontal or vertical wire as an emergency antenna.

Accordingly, the request for STA IS HEREBY GRANTED. Station WRRZ(AM) may operate with the following facilities:

Coordinates:	34° 58' 40" NL, 78° 18' 15" WL (NAD 1927)
Frequency:	880 kHz
Operating hours:	Daytime only
Operating power:	Not to exceed 1 kilowatt
Antenna:	Horizontal wire
Antenna efficiency:	Unknown
Overall height	15.2 meters (50')

¹ WRRZ(AM) is licensed for daytime only operation on 880 kHz with a power of 1 kilowatt, employing a nondirectional antenna pattern (NDD-D).

It will be necessary to further reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received. SBC 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 **June 18, 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,



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