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Mr. Todd Stansbury Wiley Rein LLP 1776 K Street NW Washington, DC 20006

> Re: KNSW (FM), Worthington-Marshall, MN Minnesota Public Radio Facility Identification Number: 42947 Special Temporary Authority BESTA-20140226ACP

Dear Counsel:

This is in reference to the request filed February 26,2014, on behalf of Minnesota Public Radio ("MPR"). MPR requests extension of the Special Temporary Authority (STA) granted March 5, 2013, to continue operating Station KNSW at approximately 20% power because of a failure in the antenna and transmission line.<sup>1</sup> MPR indicates that repairs are not yet complete, due to extremely harsh winter weather.

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.

Our review indicates that the licensee has made progress toward restoration of licensed operation, but additional time is required for completing the work. Thus, extension of STA is warranted.

Accordingly, the request for extension of STA IS HEREBY GRANTED. Station KNSW may continue to operate at reduced power. MPR must notify the Commission when licensed operation is restored. MPR must use whatever means are necessary to protect workers and the public from

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> KNSW is licensed to operate on Channel 219C1 (91.7 MHz) with an effective radiated power of 99 kW and an antenna height above average terrain of 243 meters.

radiofrequency exposure in excess of the Commission's exposure guidelines. *See* 47 CFR § 1.1310. **This authority expires on September 12, 2014.** 

Sincerely, & zek/

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