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Re: K213AT (FX), Buena Vista, CO

Educational Media Foundation

Facility Identification Number: 12352

Special Temporary Authority

BSTA-20140410AAF

Dear Counsel:

This is in reference to the request filed April 10, 2014 on behalf of Educational Media Foundation, Inc. ("EMF"). EMF explains that vandals destroyed the tower supporting the antenna for K213AT, but that EMF's engineers were able to mount the undamaged antenna on a temporary structure at reduced height. EMF requests Special Temporary Authority (STA) for continued operations with these temporary facilities until the tower can be replaced.

Section 73.1680 of the Commission's rules provides 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 filed with the Commission within 24 hours. In particular, Section 73.1680(b)(2) provides that FM and TV stations may erect any suitable radiator, or use operable sections of the authorized antenna(s) as an emergency antenna.

Accordingly, the request for STA IS HEREBY GRANTED. Station K213AT may continue to operate from its licensed site with the following facilities:

Channel

213D (90.5 MHz)

Effective radiated power:

0.086 kilowatts (V)

Antenna height:

above ground:

3 meters

above mean sea level:

3296 meters

Above average terrain:

337 meters

EMF must notify the Commission when licensed operation is restored. EMF 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 October 11, 2014.

area than that in which they are currently providing service.

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

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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cc: Educational Media Foundation