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Troy Langham
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Re: CC Licenses, LLC
WSYR(AM), Syracuse, New York
Facility Identification Number: 48720
Special Temporary Authority

Dear Mr. Langham:

This is in reference to the request filed April 14, 2014, on behalf of CC Licenses, LLC ("CCL"). CCL requests special temporary authority ("STA") to operate station WSYR(AM) with parameters at variance from license values and/or reduced power while maintaining monitor points within license limits.¹

In support of the request, CCL states that station WSYR(AM) had been operating pursuant to STA, BSTA-20060615ADO, however did not timely file a further extension prior to July 9, 2013. Consequently, CCL seeks a new STA to operate with parameters at variance and/or reduced power while maintaining monitor points within licensed limits, as they complete measurements and readjustment of the array to licensed parameters. CCL states that repairs are complete and the facility is operating in substantial compliance with licensed parameters. In addition, CCL states that the daytime field measurements were completed prior to winter freeze and after the spring thaw is complete, measurements of the night system will be conducted.

Accordingly, the request for STA IS HEREBY GRANTED, as substantial progress has been made since the last extension. Station WSYR(AM) may operate with parameters at variance from licensed values and/or reduced power while maintaining monitor points within licensed limits. It will be necessary to further reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received. CCL 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. Our review indicates that the circumstances presented warrant grant of STA in order to provide for service to the public. However, in light of the lapse of time between the expiration of the prior STA extension and the filing of the instant request, the authority granted will not cover the period between July 9, 2013 and the filing of the instant request.

¹ WSYR(AM) is licensed for operation on 570 kHz with a daytime and nighttime power of 5 kilowatts, employing different directional antenna patterns (DA2-U).

This authority expires on **October 19, 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: CC Licenses, LLC