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Re: WZZS (FM), Zolfo Springs, FL  
Solmart Media, LLC  
Facility Identification Number: 64699  
Special Temporary Authority (STA)  
BSTA-20140813AAN

Dear Counsel:

This is in reference to the request filed August 13, 2014, on behalf of Solmart Media, LLC ("MBC"). Solmart explains that its licensed facility was knocked off the air by lightning on August 4. The damaged antenna cannot be replaced because of newly discovered structural issues that make the tower unsafe to climb. To restore limited operation, Solmart seeks Special Temporary Authority (STA) to operate an emergency antenna from a tower it owns 25.2 KM to the southwest of the licensed transmitter site.

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. However, given that the proposed emergency antenna site lies so far from the licensed site, Solmart was correct to seek STA before implementing the proposed operation.

Consideration of an STA request for continued use of an emergency antenna, that involves a change in transmitter site, focuses on three primary elements: (1) STA facilities should continue to provide service to the licensed community; (2) STA facilities must maintain, as closely as practicable, the licensed service area, without extending it; and (3) STA facilities cannot involve the construction of towers intended for permanent use by the station requesting the STA. In the present instance, the 60 dBu service contour of the emergency STA facility does not approach the boundaries of the community of license, and part of the emergency facility's 60 dBu service contour extends outside the WZZS licensed 60 dBu service contour. We have examined the request at **0.25 kW ERP** and have determined that the proposed STA operation at that power level would not increase interference to any authorized FM facilities, including FM translators.<sup>1</sup> And the use of the proposed tower allows the prompt restoration of service by WZZS, albeit with reduced coverage. All factors considered, we

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<sup>1</sup> The STA request proposed an ERP of 2.0 kW, however, at that ERP, the proposal would not be acceptable.

conclude that the grant of the STA at an ERP of 0.25 kW would best serve the public while Solmart pursues remedies for its licensed facility. However, we will limit this initial STA period, and any requested extensions, to three month periods, so that we may evaluate the effect of this STA operation on facilities that might be proposed by other FM and FM translator stations.

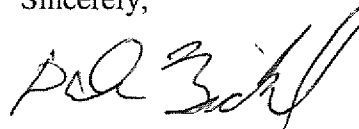
Accordingly, the request for STA IS HEREBY GRANTED. Station WZZS may operate an emergency antenna with the following parameters:

Channel	295 (106.9 MHz)
Effective radiated power:	0.25 kilowatts (H&V) -- ERP LIMITED TO THIS VALUE
Antenna height:	
above ground:	69 meters
above mean sea level:	83 meters
Above average terrain:	74meters
Antenna Structure Registration No.:	1027572

Solmary must notify the Commission when licensed operation is restored. Solmart 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 **November 14, 2014**.

Sincerely,



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