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Re: Radio Fiesta Corporation  
KAZA(AM), Gilroy, California  
Facility Identification Number: 54572  
Special Temporary Authority

Dear Mr. Dawson:

This is in reference to the request filed September 8, 2014, on behalf of Radio Fiesta Corporation ("RFC"). RFC requests special temporary authority ("STA") to operate station KAZA(AM) with temporary facilities.<sup>1</sup> In support of the request, RFC states that KAZA(AM) has been evicted from its licensed site and must vacate the site within the next few weeks. Thus, RFC requests temporary operation from the licensed site of AM station KZSJ(AM). Specifically, KAZA(AM) requests STA to operate non-directionally with a daytime power of up to 1.25 kilowatts and a nighttime power of up to 0.02 kilowatt.

STA requests which involve a change in transmitter site must include four critical elements: (1) Loss of the licensed site must be beyond the licensee's control; (2) STA facilities must continue to provide service to the licensed community; (3) STA facilities must maintain, as closely as practicable, the licensed service area<sup>2</sup> without extending it; (4) STA facilities cannot involve the construction of towers intended for permanent use by the station requesting the STA.

Accordingly, the request for STA is GRANTED. Although KAZA(AM) may not comply with all four of the critical elements, we feel the STA is warranted as the station can continue to serve the public and the proposed operation is from an alternate existing antenna structure.

Station KAZA(AM) may operate with the following facilities:

Geographic coordinates	36° 57' 49" N, 121° 29' 22" W (NAD 1927)
Frequency	1290 KHz
Hours of operation	Unlimited
Operating power	1.25 kilowatts (daytime), 0.02 kilowatts (nighttime)
Antenna type	Existing tower of AM station KZSJ(AM)
Antenna efficiency	307 mV/m

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<sup>1</sup> KAZA(AM) is licensed for operation on 1290 kHz with a daytime power of 5 kilowatts, and a nighttime power of 0.088 kilowatt, employing different directional antenna patterns (DA2-U).

<sup>2</sup> For AM - 0.5 mV/m contour; for FM - 1.0 mV/m contour.

It will be necessary to further reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received. KAZA(AM) must notify the Commission when licensed operation is restored. KAZA(AM) 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. Within 10 days of commencing operation, RFC must submit the results of measurements which demonstrate that sufficient diplexing equipment has been installed and properly adjusted to reduce all spurious emissions below the levels specified in 47 CFR Section 73.44(b). In addition to the measurements, a copy of a firm agreement entered into by stations KAZA(AM) and KZSJ(AM) clearly fixing the responsibility of each with regard to the installation and maintenance of such equipment shall be submitted as well.

This authority expires on **March 16, 2015**.

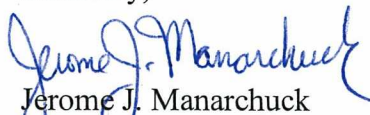
**STA Advisory:** Section 309(f) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, authorizes the Commission to grant STA in cases of "extraordinary circumstances requiring temporary authorizations in the public interest and when delay in the institution of the temporary operations would seriously prejudice 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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cc: Radio Fiesta Corporation