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Re: Family Talk Radio (FTR)

WSJC (AM), Magee, Mississippi Facility Identification Number: 74003 Special Temporary Authority (STA)

BEST-20140917AFP

Dear Mr. Martin:

This is in reference to the request filed on September 17, 2014. FTR requests an extension of the STA originally granted on December 3, 2012, to operate with a reduced daytime power of 1 kW due to failure of the nighttime antenna system and transmitter issues. In support of the request, FTR states that in the past six month STA period some repairs were made, but all problems were not yet resolved.

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.

We note that FTR has been unable to resume licensed operations within the past two years, therefore we suggest that FTR consider the following possible options to move forward:

1. Replace the licensed transmitter with a new 50 kW transmitter (if unable to repair the old transmitter within the next 60 days), and make all other required repairs to the nighttime antenna system before filing an FCC Form 302 application before the expiration date shown below (to verify any operating parameter changes).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> WSJC is licensed for operation on 810 kHz with 50 kW daytime (ND), and 0.5 kW nighttime (DA).

- 2. Submit a list of all new repairs that have been completed during the STA period (along with those that remain) to verify that substantial progress has been made toward restoration of licensed operations.
- 3. File an FCC Form 301 minor change application before the expiration date shown below to modify the licensed daytime facility (by using a lower daytime power level if needed) along with any other changes to the nighttime facility to allow for resumption of licensed operations.

Accordingly, the request for STA IS HEREBY GRANTED. Station WSJC(AM) may operate with reduced daytime power and no nighttime operation. It will be necessary to further reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received. FTR must notify the Commission when licensed operation is restored.<sup>2</sup> FTR 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.

This authority expires on April 15, 2015.

Sincerely

Joe Szczesny, Engineer Audio Division Media Bureau

cc: Linda De Romanett, President, FTR

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See 47 CFR §§ 73.45(c), 73.51, 73.61(b).