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Re:

Request for Extension of Single Sideband Suppressed Carrier

Broadcast Experimental Authorization

Radio Station KOJB(FM-NCE), Cass Lake, MN

Facility ID No. 173472

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Transmitted herewith on behalf of Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe, licensee of Station KOJB(FM), Cass Lake, Minnesota, pursuant to FCC Rule 5.203, is a request for a one-year extension of its "broadcast experimental authorization" for testing of single sideband suppressed carrier ("SSBSC") modulation of the stereophonic subcarrier in the multiplex baseband signal on KOJB. The initial authorization was granted by letter dated September 9, 2013, from Susan N. Crawford, Assistant Chief of the Audio Division of the Media Bureau. The report of the licensee describing the methodology and results is attached.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, kindly communicate directly with this office.

Very truly yours

Melodie A. Virtue

MAV/cll Attachment

cc: Susan N. Crawford (pdf copy via email Susan.Crawford@fcc.gov)

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Dear Ms. Dortch:

On behalf of Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe, licensee of Station KOJB(FM), Cass Lake, Minnesota, pursuant to FCC Rule 5.203, we hereby respectfully request a one-year extension of its "broadcast experimental authorization" most recently issued in the letter dated September 9, 2013, from Susan N. Crawford, Assistant Chief, Audio Division of the Media Bureau (the "Letter"), for testing of single sideband suppressed carrier ("SSBSC") modulation of the stereophonic subcarrier in the multiplex baseband signal on KOJB. A copy of the Letter is attached along with the report from KOBJ's Chief Engineer, Bob Ryan, detailing the methodology employed and the results obtained.

No filing fee is required for this extension request.

Questions relating to this request may be directed to Brad Walhof, Station Manager, Radio Station KOJB, (218) 335-7252, email, Brad.Walhof@llojibwe.org.

Applicant hereby certifies that neither the applicant nor any party to the application is subject to a denial of federal benefits pursuant to Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988, 21 U.S.C. Section 862.

I certify that the statements made in this application are true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, and are made in good faith.

Respectfully submitted,

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe

Carri Jones (Chairwoman

Attachments (2)

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September 9, 2013

Melodie A. Virtue, Esquire Garvey Schubert Barer 1000 Potomac Street, NW Fifth Floor, Flour Mill Building Washington, DC 20007-3501

> Re: KOJB(FM), Cass Lake, Minnesota Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Facility ID No. 173472 File No. 20130603BKB

> > Request for Experimental Authority

Dear Counsel:

The staff has under consideration the June 3, 2013, request for experimental authority submitted on behalf of Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe ("LLBOO"), licensee of noncommercial educational FM Station KOJB(FM), Cass Lake, Minnesota, 1 to permit Station KOJB(FM) to conduct testing of single sideband multiplex stereo transmission. The experimental authority is requested pursuant to Section 5.203 of the Commission's Rules 2 for a period of one year.

The request states that LLBOO is seeking experimental authority to operate Station KOJB(FM) with a technology developed by Omnia Audio known as single sideband suppressed carrier ("SSBSC") modulation of the stereo subcarrier in the FM multiplex baseband signal to test whether multipath interference can be reduced through a reduction of occupied bandwidth and sideband pairs of the modulated carrier.

The subject request for experimental authority meets the requirements for experimental operations set forth in Section 5.203.³ Accordingly, the request is HEREBY GRANTED. This experimental authority expires on **September 9, 2014**. This authority is specifically conditioned on the lack of objectionable interference. A report detailing the methodology employed and the

¹ File Number BLED-20110920ABY.

² 47 C.F.R. § 5.203.

³ *Id*.

results obtained must be submitted within 90 days following the conclusion of the experimental operation. Any request for extension of this experimental authority should be filed at least 30 days prior to the expiration date of the authority. Additionally, an extension request must include an interim version of the aforementioned report that details the progress of the experimental operation as of the filing date of the request.

Sincerely,

Susan N. Crawford

Assistant Chief Audio Division Media Bureau

cc: Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe



SSBSC Report 8-1-2014

On September 9, 2013 the FCC granted KOJB's request for single sideband suppressed carrier modulation experimental authority. As of August 1 2014 KOJB has operated in the SSBSC mode For approximately 7580 Hours. Suppression was accomplished using a Omnia 11 audio processor, a Nautel NV 7.5 solid state transmitter, and a Shively 6 bay Antenna. Approximate costs of the Omnia 11 processor, mileage, and labor are 14,500 to date. Transmitter output power is 4KW with a radiated output power of 18kw. Drive and fixed location tests were accomplished with a Sangean WR-2 receiver and Alpine CD105 receiver.

The intended goal of this effort was to reduce perceived multipath of the FM channel through a reduction of occupied bandwidth and sideband pairs of the modulated carrier.

Drive testing was done in approximately 10 percent of the KOJB city grade coverage area with and without SSBSC options activated. These areas were chosen due to known and observed multipathing. In all areas there was a perceived decrease in multipathing interference. Coverage was also improved in difficult to penetrate structures. We have had no complaints of interoperability with radios. We have had no complaints of loss of audio fidelity.

We have had no complaints of any interference with adjacent channels. Therefore KOJB would like to request an extension of the experimental authority to operate and continue testing the SSBSC technology.

Sincerely

Bob Ryan Chief Engineer

KOJB Radio