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Re: Multicultural Radio Broadcasting Licensee, LLC
KAHZ(AM), Pomona, CA
Facility Identification Number: 61814
Special Temporary Authority

Dear Counsel:

This is in reference to the request filed March 17, 2015, on behalf of Multicultural Radio Broadcasting Licensee, LLC ("Multicultural"). Multicultural requests special temporary authority ("STA") to operate station KAHZ(AM) with reduced power during daytime hours and with emergency antenna facilities during nighttime hours.¹

In support of the request, Multicultural states that the station is currently operating with emergency antenna facilities and a reduced power of 322 watts during nighttime hours. Multicultural is now requesting STA to operate this station at reduced power during daytime as well while its engineers work to resolve technical problems with the station's main transmitter. Specifically, KAHZ(AM) is requesting daytime operation at a reduced non-directional power of 1 kilowatt. In addition, the station is requesting continued operation with emergency antenna facilities and a nondirectional power of 322 watts.

Our review indicates that the request complies with Sections 73.1560 and 73.1680 of the Commission's rules.

Accordingly, the request for STA IS HEREBY GRANTED and BESTA-20150317AAV is SUPERCEDED. Station KAHZ(AM) may operate daytime with reduced power and nighttime with an emergency nondirectional antenna and reduced power not to exceed 1.25 kilowatts. It will be necessary to further reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received. Multicultural must notify the Commission when licensed operation is restored.² Multicultural must

¹ KAHZ(AM) is licensed for operation on 1600 kHz with a daytime and nighttime power of 5 kilowatts, employing a directional antenna pattern at night (DAN-U).

² See 47 CFR §§ 73.45(c), 73.51, 73.61(b).

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 **September 20, 2015**.

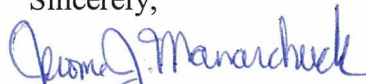
STA Advisory: Section 309(f) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, authorizes the Commission to grant STA in cases of "extraordinary circumstances requiring temporary authorizations in the public interest and when delay in the institution of the temporary operations would seriously prejudice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



Jerome J. Manarchuck
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cc: Multicultural Radio Broadcasting Licensee, LLC