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Tyler Media L.L.C.
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Re: Tyler Media L.L.C.
KOKC(AM), Oklahoma City, OK
Facility Identification Number: 73981
Special Temporary Authority

Dear Applicant:

This is in reference to the request filed March 31, 2015, on behalf of Tyler Media L.L.C. ("TML"). TML requests special temporary authority ("STA") to operate station KOKC(AM) with emergency antenna facilities pursuant to Section 73.1680.¹ In support of the request, TML states that the antenna system of KOKC(AM) was virtually destroyed by the Moore, Oklahoma tornado of March 25, 2015. Therefore, KOKC(AM) requests STA to operate with an emergency non-directional antenna at reduced power. Specifically, KOKC(AM) proposes to construct a 190 foot tower at the existing site and operate non-directionally with 10 kilowatts of power during daytime and nighttime hours.

Section 73.1680 of the Commission's rules provide 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)(1) provides that AM stations using an emergency nondirectional antenna in lieu of authorized directional facilities shall operate with power reduced to 25 percent or less of the nominal license power, or a higher power, not exceeding licensed power, while insuring that the radiated field strength does not exceed that authorized in any given azimuth.

Our review indicates that the request complies with Section 73.1680.

Accordingly, the request for STA IS HEREBY GRANTED and BSTA-20141105AAB is SUPERCEDED. Station KOKC(AM) may operate with the following facilities:

Geographic coordinates	35° 20' 01" N, 97° 30' 18" W (NAD 1927)
Frequency	1520 KHz
Hours of operation	Unlimited

¹ KOKC(AM) is licensed for daytime only operation on 1520 kHz with a power of 17 kilowatts, employing a directional antenna pattern (DAD-D).

Operating power	10 kilowatts (unlimited)
Antenna type	Proposed tower
Overall tower ht.	59 m
Radiator Ht.	57.9 m (190 ft)
Antenna efficiency	316 mV/m

It will be necessary to further reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received. KOKC(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.


This authority expires on **September 28, 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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