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Citicasters Licenses, Inc.
2625 S. Memorial Drive
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Re: Citicasters Licenses, Inc.
WMT(AM), Cedar Rapids, Iowa
Facility Identification Number: 73593
Special Temporary Authority

Dear Applicant:

This is in reference to the request filed July 7, 2015, on behalf of Citicasters Licenses, Inc. ("CLI"). CLI requests special temporary authority ("STA") to operate station WMT(AM) with parameters at variance from license values and/or reduced power while maintaining monitor points within license limits.¹ CLI states that in connection with the construction of FM station KOSY-FM as permitted in BPH-20111209DSS, an STA is requested for WMT(AM) to operate with parameters at variance in order to maintain monitoring point field strengths within authorized limits.

Accordingly, the request for STA IS HEREBY GRANTED. Station WMT(AM) may operate with parameters at variance from licensed values and/or reduced power while maintaining monitor points within licensed limits. It will be necessary to further reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received. CLI 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 **January 4, 2016**.

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

¹ WMT(AM) is licensed for operation on 600 kHz with a daytime and nighttime power of 5 kilowatts, employing a directional antenna pattern at night (DAN-U).


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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