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July 20, 2015

Paul Rahmlow, Treasurer  
Midwest Communications, Inc.  
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Re: Midwest Communications, Inc. (MCI)  
WKZO(AM), Kalamazoo, Michigan  
Facility Identification Number: 54485  
Special Temporary Authorization (STA)  
BESTA-20150630AAQ

Dear Mr. Rahmlow:

This is in reference to the request filed on June 30, 2015. MCI requests a second extension of the STA granted on November 20, 2013, to operate station WKZO(AM) with facilities that vary from its license due to storm damage to the nighttime antenna system.<sup>1</sup> In support of the request MCI states that in the past six month STA period additional information has been obtained and is being submitted to the local zoning board to obtain approval to reconstruct one damaged tower.

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.

Accordingly, the request for extension of STA IS HEREBY GRANTED. Station WKZO(AM) may continue to operate ND during nighttime hours with 25% of licensed power. It will be necessary to further reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received. MCI must notify the Commission when licensed operation is restored after first filing an FCC Form 302 application to update all operating parameters, as required due to replacement

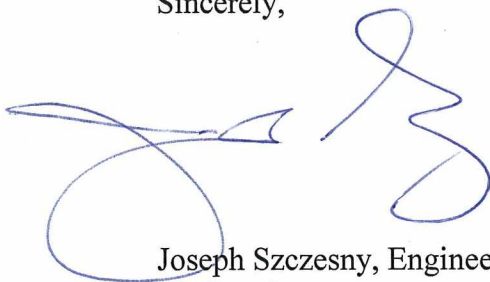
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<sup>1</sup> WKZO(AM) is licensed for operation on 590 kHz with 5 kW (ND day and DA night).

of one tower and all other storm damage repairs.<sup>2</sup> MCI 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 20, 2016**.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of several loops and a long horizontal stroke, positioned above the typed name.

Joseph Szczesny, Engineer  
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cc: John S. Neely, Esq., Miller and Neely, P.C. (via e-mail)

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