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Leigh Ellis, President
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Re: WAKE (AM), Valparaiso, Indiana
Facility Identification Number: 53057
Porter County Broadcasting Holding Corp., LLC
Special Temporary Authority

Dear Mr. Ellis:

This is in reference to the request filed May 15, 2006, on behalf of Porter County Broadcasting Holding Corp., LLC ("PCB"). PCB requests extension of the special temporary authority ("STA") granted on December 1, 2005, to operate Station WAKE with parameters at variance and/or reduced power while maintaining monitor points within licensed limits.¹ In support of the request, PCB states that completion of repairs to its directional antenna system has been delayed by the decision of a lessee on the towers to deconstruct its system.

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.

Our review indicates that the licensee has been prevented from restoring licensed operation due to causes beyond its control and has taken all possible steps to expeditiously resolve the problem. Thus, extension of STA is warranted.

Accordingly, the request for extension of STA IS HEREBY GRANTED. Station WAKE may continue to operate with parameters at variance 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. PCB must notify the Commission when licensed

¹ WAKE is licensed for operation on 1500 kHz with 1 kilowatt daytime and 0.025 kilowatt nighttime, employing different directional antenna patterns daytime and nighttime (DA-2-U).

operation is restored.² PCB 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 **June 21, 2007**.

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;
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- 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,



Charles N. Miller, Engineer
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cc: Porter County Broadcasting Holding Corp., LLC

² See 47 CFR §§ 73.45(c), 73.51, 73.54, 73.61(b).