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VIA HAND DELIVERY

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission Office of the Secretary 445 12th Street, SW Room TW-A325 Washington, DC 20554 JAN 27 2016

Federal Communications Commission Office of the Secretary

Re: W287CA, Corbin, KY (Fac. Id. 139974) Construction Permit File No. BNPFT-20130327AJT FRN: 0004121000 Request for Waiver of Construction Permit Deadline

Dear Ms. Dortch:

This request for waiver of the construction permit deadline is filed on behalf of Educational Media Foundation ("EMF") pursuant to 47 C.F.R. §1.3 of the Commission's rules, in accordance with footnote 36 of the Commission's *AM Revitalization First Report and Order*, released October 23, 2015 ("*First R&O*") and *Modification Window Procedures Public Notice*, released October 26, 2015 ("*Procedure PN*").

EMF holds a construction permit for FM Translator W287CA, Corbin, Kentucky (Fac. Id 139974) (BNPFT-20130327AJT) (the "CP") that will expire on April 25, 2016. EMF has entered into a purchase agreement with Guntersville Broadcasting Company ("GBC") whereby GBC will purchase the CP from EMF (File No. BAPFT-20160126AEH), and GBC will file an application to modify the W287CA permit for use with one of GBC's currently owned AM stations in the first of two 2016 modification windows announced by the *First R&O* scheduled to begin January 29, 2016. FCC action on the planned modification application is not likely to occur until after the permit expires. EMF therefore requests a temporary waiver of the April 25, 2016 expiration date for the CP to enable EMF and GBC to realize service improvements for GBC's AM station quickly, and avoid the unnecessary expense of building out and licensing the permitted facilities before the permit can be modified pursuant to the window.

Upon grant of the modified permit, EMF and GBC commit to prompt station construction and initiation of broadcast operations, thereby satisfying the *First R&O*'s requirement for this waiver request to be granted presumptively in the public interest. A grant of this waiver request is also in the public interest because it will allow GBC to realize AM service improvements quickly and furthers the FCC"s effort to expand cross-service opportunities for AM stations.

Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned with any questions or requests for additional information.

Respectfully submitted,

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