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> Re: WVEI-FM, Westerly, Rhode Island Facility Identification No. 71720 Entercom License, LLC File No. 20160406AAX

> > Request for Increased Digital Power Hybrid IBOC Digital Operation

Dear Counsel:

This is in reference to the request filed April 6, 2016, on behalf of Entercom License, LLC (Entercom), licensee of FM station WVEI-FM, Westerly, Rhode Island.¹ Entercom requests authority to operate station WVEI-FM with increased digital ERP of -10 dBc,² pursuant to the Media Bureau's *Order* adopted January 27, 2010, in MM Docket No. 99-325.³

Our review indicates that the notification requirements of the *Order* have been satisfied, and that the proposed operation complies with the contour non-overlap and other technical requirements of the *Order*.

Accordingly, the request IS HEREBY GRANTED. Station WVEI-FM may operate with increased digital ERP and transmitter power output (TPO), as follows:

Analog ERP: Digital ERP:

37 kW (H&V)⁴ 3.7 kW (H&V)⁵

Combined TPO:

28.5 kW.

¹ File No. BMLH-20041007ACO. Station WVEI-FM is licensed for analog operation on channel 279B (103.7 MHz) with 37 kilowatts (kW) effective radiated power (ERP) and 173 meters antenna radiation center height above average terrain (HAAT).

² Decibels relative to analog carrier.

³ See Digital Audio Broadcasting Systems And Their Impact on the Terrestrial Radio Broadcast Service, Order, 25 FCC Rcd 1182 (2010) (Order).

⁴ All ERP and TPO values rounded in accordance with 47 C.F.R. § 73.212(a).

⁵ Licensee specified use of MP1 service mode and symmetric digital sideband power levels. Using the total digital sideband ERP values set forth in NRSC guideline "NRSC-G202, FM IBOC Total Digital Sideband Power for Various Configurations" (*NRSC-G202*) (September 2010) for MP1 service mode with symmetric digital sideband power levels, the maximum permissible total digital sideband ERP for station WVEI-FM is 3.7 kW. The licensee must adjust the station's total digital sideband ERP in accordance with NRSC-G202 if operating using a service mode other than MP1, i.e., MP2, MP3 or MP11 and symmetric digital sideband power levels.

Entercom 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* Section 1.1310 of the Commission's Rules.⁶ It may be necessary to reduce the power of the digital signal or cease hybrid operation if interference complaints are received. This authority may be modified or cancelled by the Commission without notice or right to hearing. This authority attaches to, and runs concurrently with, the main station license. Entercom must post a copy of this authority with the station license.

Sincerely,

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