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WQPR (FM)
The Board of Trustees of the University of Alabama
Box 870370, Phifer Hall
Tuscaloosa, AL 35487

Re: WQPR (FM), Muscle Shoals, AL
University of Alabama
Facility Identification Number: 65441
Special Temporary Authority (STA)
BSTA-20160516ABQ

Dear Licensee:

This is in reference to the request filed May 16, 2016 on behalf of the University of Alabama. ("UA"). UA requests Special Temporary Authority (STA) for continued operations at reduced power due to apparent damage to the transmission line and antenna.

Section 73.1560(d), which governs reduced power operation, states:

In the event it becomes technically impossible to operate at authorized power, a broadcast station may operate at reduced power for a period of not more than 30 days without specific authority from the FCC. If operation at reduced power will exceed 10 consecutive days, notification must be made to the FCC in Washington, DC, Attention: Audio Division (radio) or Video Division (television), Media Bureau, not later than the 10th day of the lower power operation. In the event that normal power is restored within the 30 day period, the licensee must notify the FCC of the date that normal operation was restored. If causes beyond the control of the licensee prevent restoration of the authorized power within 30 days, a request for Special Temporary Authority (see Section 73.1635) must be made to the FCC in Washington, DC for additional time as may be necessary.

Our review indicates that the request complies with Section 73.1560(d).

Accordingly, the request for STA IS GRANTED. Station WQPR may continue to operate at reduced power. UA must use whatever means are necessary to protect workers and the public from radiofrequency exposure in excess of the Commission's exposure guidelines. See 47 CFR § 1.1310. UA must notify the Commission when licensed operation resumes.

This authority expires on November 19, 2016.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Dale Bickel". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Dale Bickel
Senior Engineer
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cc: M. Scott Johnson (via e-mail only)