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KWCR-FM  
Weber State University  
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Re: KWCR-FM, Ogden, Utah  
Weber State University  
Facility Identification Number 71394  
Special Temporary Authority  
BSTA-20161020ABP

Dear Licensee:

This is in reference to the request filed October 20, 2016, on behalf of Weber State University ("WSU"). WSU requests special temporary authority ("STA") to operate Station KWCR-FM from an existing tower with temporary facilities. The licensed transmitter site is not available. This station was taken silent by WSU on November 3, 2015. WSU must return KWCR-FM to operating status **no later than November 3, 2016** to avoid automatic cancellation of the station's license pursuant to Section 312(g) of the Communications Act.

The request for STA for the temporary facilities IS GRANTED. We expect that KWCR-FM shall continue the temporary operation authorized herein, through the term of this STA period or until the licensee resumes permanent operations at an authorized site. Extension requests for this STA may be granted by the staff if circumstances warrant.

Accordingly, WSU may operate KWSU-FM with the following facilities:

Geographic coordinates:	41° 09' 57" N, 112° 00' 52" W (NAD 27)
Channel	201 (88.1 MHz)
Effective radiated power:	0.2 kW (circularly polarized)
Antenna height:	
above ground:	22 meters
above mean sea level:	1417 meters
above average terrain:	-25 meters
Tower height:	25.6 meters

**On the same date that KWCR-FM commences operations pursuant to this STA, the licensee (or its representative) shall confirm the start of STA operations via an e-mail to Dale Bickel, dale.bickel@fcc.gov.** This date will be entered into the Commission's CDBS database to indicate that the station has resumed broadcasting. WSU must also file a Resumption of Operations notice in the Commission's CDBS database system.

WSU 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.

**This authority expires on April 23, 2017.**

We remind the licensee that the station's license will expire as a matter of law upon twelve consecutive months of silence [**ending November 3, 2016**], notwithstanding the grant of the present STA. See Pub. Law No. 104-104, 110 Stat. 56, Section 403(1) (1996) and Order, Silent Station Authorizations, FCC 96-218 (released May 17, 1996). See also Public Notice, *Expedited Processing of Applications Filed by Silent Stations*, DA 96-818 (May 22, 1996). Please be aware that unauthorized operations – operations with facilities not authorized by a current STA or license – do not count as a resumption of operations within one year for the purposes of Section 312(g) of the Communications Act, and cannot be used to avoid the consequences of Section 312(g). See *A-O Broadcasting Corporation*, FCC 08-10, 23 FCC Rcd 603 (2008).

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**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;
- 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.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Dale Bickel".

Dale Bickel  
Senior Engineer  
Audio Division  
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cc: Susan Marshall (via e-mail only)