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Re: Gerard Media, LLC
WIMS (AM), Michigan City, Indiana
Facility Identification Number: 39383
Special Temporary Authority

Dear Counsel:

This is in reference to the request filed June 19, 2007, on behalf of Gerard Media, LLC ("GML"). GML requests modification and extension of the special temporary authority ("STA") granted to former licensee Vazquez Development, LLC, on December 21, 2006, to operate Station WIMS with parameters at variance and/or reduced power while maintaining monitor points within licensed limits.¹

In support of the request, GML states that it has restored the station's daytime directional antenna system to licensed operation; however, the nighttime system requires further work to repair the damage caused by vandals.

Our review indicates that modification of STA is not necessary. Operation with parameters at variance pursuant to STA is permissive, not required. Also, it is possible that the ongoing repair work on the nighttime array may cause or require operation with daytime parameters at variance. Therefore, as a precaution, the STA will be extended as originally granted.

Accordingly, the request for extension of STA IS HEREBY GRANTED. Station WIMS 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. GML must notify the Commission when licensed operation is restored.² GML must use whatever means are necessary to protect workers and the

¹ WIMS is licensed for operation on 1420 kHz with 5 kilowatts daytime and 5 kilowatts nighttime, employing different directional antenna patterns daytime and nighttime (DA-2-U).

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

public from exposure to radio frequency radiation in excess of the Commission's exposure guidelines. *See* 47 CFR § 1.1310.

This authority expires on **January 2, 2008**.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Charles N. Miller". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

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cc: Gerard Media, LLC