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RE: KZMP-AM, University Park, Texas Emergency Antenna Operation

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Jerry,

I am writing to provide the informal notification of emergency antenna operation required by 47 CFR 73.1680(b) for radio station KZMP in University Park, Texas. KZMP is licensed to operate on 1540 kilohertz with 32,000 watts in the daytime and 750 watts at night, employing different directional antenna patterns day and night.

The emergency antenna operation has become necessary because of the failure of the coaxial transmission line that connects the phasor cabinet with the antenna tuning unit at one of the towers of the KZMP array. One tower of the directional antenna system is now in use as a nondirectional emergency antenna pursuant to 47 CFR 73.1680(b)(1). Operation will be with power not to exceed 25% of the licensed directional mode power, 8.0 kilowatts in the daytime and 187.5 watts at night.

It is expected that repairs can be made to restore regular licensed operation with both directional antenna patterns in less than 30 days. If more time than that is found to be necessary, an application for an STA to cover the temporary operation will be submitted in due time.

Please let me know if you have any question of a technical nature about the situation at KZMP. Legal matters will be handled by Kathleen Kirby of the Wiley Rein law firm.

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