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ABC Radio Los Angeles Assets, LLC
77 West 66th St., 16th Floor
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Re: ABC Radio Los Angeles Assets, LLC
KDIS(AM), Pasadena, CA
Facility Identification Number: 25076
Special Temporary Authority

Dear Applicant:

This is in reference to the request filed March 8, 2017, on behalf of ABC Radio Los Angeles Assets, LLC ("ABC"). ABC requests special temporary authority ("STA") to operate station KDIS(AM) with parameters at variance from license values and/or reduced power.¹ In support of the request, KDIS(AM) states that FM translator K256CX is authorized to install its antenna on one of towers of the KDIS(AM) directional antenna system. ABC plans to perform a moment method proof of performance on the directional antenna subsequent to the translator antenna installation. Therefore, in an abundance of caution, ABC requests STA to operate with parameters at variance to allow adjustment of the antenna system to the moment method determined values upon installation of the translator antenna and completion of the analysis process outlined in Section 73.151(c) of the Commission's rules.

Accordingly, the request for STA IS HEREBY GRANTED. Station KDIS(AM) may operate with parameters at variance from license values to allow adjustment of the antenna system to the moment method determined values upon installation of the translator antenna and completion of the analysis process. It will be necessary to further reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received. ABC 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* 47 CFR § 1.1310.

This authority expires on **September 5, 2017**.

¹ KDIS(AM) is licensed for operation on 1110 kHz with 50 kilowatts daytime and 20 kilowatts nighttime, employing different directional antenna patterns (DA2-U).


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,


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Audio Division
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cc: John W. Zucker, Esq. (via email only)