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Salem Media of New York, LLC
4880 Santa Rosa Road
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Re: Salem Media of New York, LLC
WNYM(AM), Hackensack, NJ
Facility Identification Number: 58635
Special Temporary Authority

Dear Applicant:

This is in reference to the request filed October 19, 2017, on behalf of Salem Media of Texas, Inc. ("Salem"). Salem requests special temporary authority ("STA") to operate station WNYM(AM) with parameters at variance from license values and/or reduced power while maintaining monitor points within license limits.¹

In support of the request, Salem states that recent measurement of the WNYM(AM) monitoring points revealed that the measured field strengths at three of the four authorized nighttime monitoring points exceed the maximum values indicated on the station license. Thus, WNYM(AM) requests STA for operation with nighttime directional antenna parameters at variance from their licensed values until the issue with the nighttime pattern can be resolved.

Accordingly, the request for STA IS HEREBY GRANTED. Station WNYM(AM) may operate with nighttime parameters at variance from license values and/or reduced power while maintaining monitor points within license limits. It will be necessary to further reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received. Salem must notify the Commission when licensed operation is restored.² Salem 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 **April 21, 2018**.

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

¹ WNYM(AM) is licensed for operation on 970 kHz with a daytime power of 50 kilowatts and a nighttime power of 5 kilowatts, employing different directional antenna patterns (DA2-U).

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

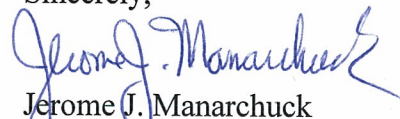
authorizations in the public interest and when delay in the institution of the temporary operations would seriously prejudice the public interest." However, Section 309(f) is not a means by which a licensee/permittee may circumvent established processing procedures which require the filing of an application, 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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