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Lewis Leonard
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Re: KABN-FM, Kasilof, Alaska
Facility Identification Number: 93588
Alaska Educational Radio System, Inc.
Special Temporary Authorization

Dear Mr. Leonard:

This is in reference to the request filed January 24, 2008, on behalf of Alaska Educational Radio System, Inc. ("AERS"). AERS requests special temporary authority ("STA") to operate Station KABN-FM with temporary facilities.[1] For reasons which are set forth herein, the request is denied.

The STA request proposed operation on the channel and at the site proposed in pending Application BPED-20070516AAB. The application remains pending before the Commission, and there is no certainty that it will be granted. Furthermore, the 60 dBu contour of the proposed STA operation extends substantially beyond the currently licensed contour, in contravention of our STA policy. For these reasons, STA cannot be granted as requested.[2]

Accordingly, the request for STA IS HEREBY DENIED. This action is taken pursuant to 47 CFR Section 0.283. The action taken herein does not preclude AERS from filing a request for STA in conformance with the Commission's technical rules and STA policies.

Sincerely,

Charles N. Miller, Engineer
Audio Division
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cc: Alaska Educational Radio System, Inc.

[1] KABN-FM is licensed for operation on Channel 208A (89.5 MHz) with effective radiated power of 0.5 kilowatt (H&V) and antenna height above average terrain of 60 meters.

[2] The geographic coordinates in the STA request included a one-degree error in the latitude of the proposed site; i.e. 61° was proposed instead of 60° as specified in the application; clearly this was an inadvertent typographical error. A latitude of 60° was used in our analysis of the proposal.