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Re: WCOD-FM, Hyannis, Massachusetts

Facility Identification Number: 29568

Qantum of Cape Cod License Company, LLC

Special Temporary Authorization

Dear Counsel:

This is in reference to the request filed February 7, 2008, on behalf of Qantum of Cape Cod License Company, LLC ("QCC"). QCC requests special temporary authority ("STA") to operate Station WCOD-FM with emergency antenna facilities pursuant to Section 73.1680. In support of the request, QCC states that the licensed antenna has failed, apparently as the result of a lightning strike. QCC states that it has installed an emergency one-bay antenna at reduced height on the licensed tower, and is operating with reduced effective radiated power.

Section 73.1680 of the Commission's rules provides for operation with emergency antenna facilities following damage to authorized antenna systems, provided that an informal request for continued use of an emergency antenna is filed with the Commission within 24 hours. In particular, Section 73.1680(b)(2) provides that FM and TV stations may erect any suitable radiator, or use operable sections of the authorized antenna(s) as an emergency antenna.

Accordingly, the request for STA IS HEREBY GRANTED. Station WCOD-FM may operate from its licensed site with the following facilities:

Channel

291 (106.1 MHz)

Effective radiated power:

3.5 kilowatts (H&V)

Antenna height:

above ground:

95 meters

above mean sea level:

119 meters

Above average terrain:

125 meters

QCC must notify the Commission when licensed operation is restored. QCC must use whatever

¹ WCOD-FM is licensed for operation on Channel 291B (106.1 MHz) with effective radiated power of 50 kilowatts (H&V) and antenna height above average terrain of 131 meters.

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 May 15, 2008.

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,

Charles N. Miller, Engineer

Audio Division Media Bureau

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