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Mr. Patrick Diemer, President Electronic Applications Radio Service 15 North Wood Street Greenfield, Indiana 46140

Re: WRFM(AM), Muncie, Indiana

Facility Identification Number: 1724 Electronic Applications Radio Service Special Temporary Authorization

Dear Mr. Diemer:

This is in reference to the request filed March 3, 2008, on behalf of Electronic Applications Radio Service (EARS). EARS requests reinstatement of the special temporary authority (STA) originally granted on September 2, 1999, and modified on September 16, 2002, to operate Station WRFM (formerly WLHN) from a site other than the licensed site, with reduced power and employing a temporary, nondirectional antenna. In support of the request, EARS states that it has lost its licensed site, that no other location exists where the former array can be rebuilt and that its application to change community of license was not approved by the Commission<sup>2</sup>.

Our review indicates that Station WRFM has been prevented from restoring licensed operation due to causes beyond its control, and that the proposed STA facilities are the same as were previously authorized. Our review further indicates that Station WRFM has been silent since May 1, 2007, and thus faces the loss of its license if it does not resume broadcasting on or before May 1, 2008.

Accordingly, the request for STA IS HEREBY GRANTED. Station WRFM may operate with the following facilities:

Transmitter site

3908 W. 30th Street, Muncie, IN

Coordinates:

40° 09' 35" N, 85° 25' 55" W (NAD 1927)

Frequency:

990 kHz

Operating hours:

Daytime only

Operating power:

62 watts

Antenna:

Nondirectional (folded unipole)

It will be necessary to further reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received. EARS must use whatever means are necessary to protect workers and the public from

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> WRFM is licensed for operation on 990 kHz with 0.250 kilowatt daytime and 0.001 kilowatt nighttime, employing different directional antenna patterns during daytime and nighttime hours. (DA-2-U).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> BP-20070521ABD, dismissed by the staff on December 19, 2007.

exposure to radio frequency radiation in excess of the Commission's exposure guidelines. See 47 CFR  $\S$  1.1310.

This authority expires on September 5, 2008.

Notwithstanding the grant of this STA or the expiration date specified herein, the station's license will expire as a matter of law if it does not resume broadcasting on or before May 1, 2008. See Pub. Law No. 104-104, 110 Stat. 56, Section 403(1) (1996) and Order, Silent Station Authorizations, FCC 96-218 (released May 17, 1996). See also Public Notice, Expedited Processing of Applications Filed by Silent Stations, DA 96-818 (May 22, 1996). The licensee must notify the Audio Division immediately upon resumption of broadcasting.

Sincerely,

Charles N. Miller, Engineer

Audio Division Media Bureau