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March 28, 2019

New Inspiration Broadcasting Company, Inc.  
4880 Santa Rosa Road  
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Re: New Inspiration Broadcasting Company, Inc.  
KRLA(AM), Glendale, CA  
Facility Identification Number: 61267  
Special Temporary Authority

Dear Applicant:

This is in reference to the request filed March 19, 2019, on behalf of New Inspiration Broadcasting Company, Inc. ("NIB"). NIB requests special temporary authority ("STA") to operate station KRLA(AM) with parameters at variance from license values and/or reduced power while maintaining monitor points within license limits.<sup>1</sup> Specifically, NIB requests that station KRLA(AM) be permitted to operate with the station's nighttime pattern during daytime hours and with a reduced power of 3 kilowatts. In addition, NIB requests the option to operate the station non-directionally at a power no greater than 25% of its authorized daytime power.

In support of the request, NIB states that extensive damage to the KRLA(AM) transmission line system was sustained when vandals broke in and removed the rigid copper transmission line and a portion of the coaxial line employed for the day directional antenna system. The station is unable to operate with the authorized daytime directional antenna system. Therefore, the station requests STA to operate daytime and nighttime with the daytime power reduced to 3 kilowatts. In addition, the station requests the option to operate non-directionally during daytime hours with a power not to exceed 12.5 kilowatts.

Accordingly, the request for STA IS HEREBY GRANTED. Station KRLA(AM) may operate with parameters at variance from licensed values and/or reduced power while maintaining monitor points within licensed limits. Specifically, the station may operate daytime and nighttime with the station's currently licensed nighttime directional antenna pattern and with a reduced daytime power of 3 kilowatts. In addition, the station has the option to temporarily operate non-directionally during daytime hours from one of the towers in its array, with a power not to exceed 12.5 kilowatts. No changes are proposed to the nighttime operation. It will be necessary to further

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<sup>1</sup> KRLA(AM) is licensed for operation on 870 kHz with a daytime power of 50 kilowatts and a nighttime power of 3 kilowatts, employing a directional antenna pattern at night (DA2-U).

reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received. KRLA(AM) must notify the Commission when licensed operation is restored.<sup>2</sup> KRLA(AM) 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 24, 2019**.

**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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Media Bureau

cc: Kathleen Kirby, Esq. (via email only)

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<sup>2</sup> See 47 CFR §§ 73.45(c), 73.51, 73.61(b).