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Re: Jacor Broadcasting Corporation  
WCKY (AM), Cincinnati, Ohio  
Facility Identification Number: 51722  
Special Temporary Authority

Dear Mr. Langham:

This is in reference to the request filed May 30, 2008, on behalf of Jacor Broadcasting Corporation ("Jacor"). Jacor requests special temporary authority ("STA") to operate Station WCKY during nighttime hours with a nondirectional antenna and reduced power.<sup>1</sup> In support of the request, Jacor states that the concrete base under one of the station's towers has severely deteriorated and requires replacement.

Section 73.1680 of the Commission's rules provides for operation with emergency antenna facilities following damage to authorized antenna systems. In particular, Section 73.1680(b)(1) provides that AM stations using an emergency nondirectional antenna in lieu of authorized directional facilities shall operate with power reduced to 25 percent or less of the nominal licensed power, or a higher power, not exceeding licensed power, while insuring that the radiated field strength does not exceed that authorized in any given azimuth.

Our review indicates that Station WCKY has been operating with parameters at variance pursuant to STA originally granted on January 11, 2007, and that a request for extension was filed April 9, 2008. Continuation of that authority will be incorporated into the instant STA, and the request for extension of the previous STA will be dismissed.

Accordingly, the request for STA IS HEREBY GRANTED. Station WCKY may operate during nighttime hours with a nondirectional antenna and reduced power not to exceed 12.5 kilowatts, only as necessary to facilitate replacement of the defective tower base. Authority also is granted for operation during nighttime hours with parameters at variance and/or reduced power while maintaining monitor points within licensed limits. It will be necessary to further reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received. Jacor must notify the Commission

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<sup>1</sup> WCKY is licensed for operation on 1530 kHz with 50 kilowatts daytime and 50 kilowatts nighttime, employing a directional antenna during nighttime hours only (DA-N-U).

when licensed operation is restored.<sup>2</sup> Jacor 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. In light of the action taken herein, the request for extension of STA filed April 9, 2008, IS DISMISSED.

This authority expires on **September 2, 2008**.

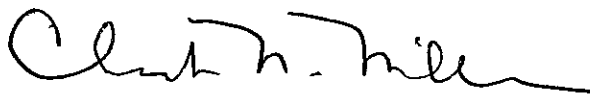
**STA Advisory:** Section 309(f) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, authorizes the Commission to grant STA in cases of "extraordinary circumstances requiring temporary authorizations in the public interest and when delay in the institution of the temporary operations would seriously prejudice 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,



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cc: Jacor Broadcasting Corporation

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<sup>2</sup> *See* 47 CFR §§ 73.45(c), 73.51, 73.54, 73.61(b).