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Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554 ATTN: Media Bureau, Audio Division

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Re: Notification Regarding STA Operation

Nashville Public Radio

Station WPLN(AM), Madison, TN (Facility ID 21473)

FCC File No. BSTA-20191003AAA

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On behalf of Nashville Public Radio, licensee of noncommercial educational radio Station WPLN(AM), Madison, Tennessee, we provide the following notification concerning the station's operation pursuant to the Special Temporary Authorization ("STA") in FCC File No. BSTA-20191003AAA.

The FCC granted the above-referenced STA on October 7, 2019, authorizing WPLN(AM)'s operation during daytime hours with reduced power, and during nighttime hours with temporary emergency antenna facilities. Nashville Public Radio now informs that FCC that it has resumed full power operation during daytime hours, but continues to operate during nighttime hours with temporary emergency antenna facilities as authorized by the STA. (See also attached letter.)

Nashville Public Radio will further update the FCC as needed in connection with the station's operation. Nashville Public Radio is a noncommercial educational licensee and operates WPLN on a noncommercial educational basis. The licensee is therefore exempt from FCC filing fee and regulatory fee requirements pursuant to Sections 1.1116 and 1.1162 of the Commission's rules. Should any questions arise regarding this matter, kindly contact this office.

Very truly yours,

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cc: Jerome.Manarchuck@fcc.gov

## Nashville Public Radio WPLN 90.3 FM · 1430 AM

November 21, 2019

Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: WPLN-AM, Madison, TN – 1430 kHz

Facility Identification Number: 21473

Modification of STA for Reduced Power Non-Directional Daytime and Nighttime Operation

Nashville Public Radio ("NPR") was granted on October 7, 2019 a special temporary authority ("STA") to operate WPLN(AM) during daytime hours with reduced power and during nighttime hours with temporary emergency antenna facilities.

NPR hereby notifies the FCC of the return to normal licensed power operation of WPLN(AM) during daytime hours as of November 8, 2019.

However, the source of the phasor damage has not been found, thus making nighttime directional operation impossible due to the antenna phasor damage. NPR respectfully requests continuance of the Special Temporary Authority ("STA") to maintain the operation for more than thirty (30) days in the non-directional reduced power mode during nighttime operation. WPLN(AM) is currently operating nighttime non-directional at 250 watts, 25% of the licensed 1,000 watts as permitted by the current STA.

We will inform you when the necessary repairs have been made and the operation has returned to normal nighttime parameters.

The continued grant of the non-directional reduced power mode STA will serve the public interest by authorizing WPLN(AM)'s continued operation and service to its local community despite the weather-related equipment damage beyond its control and until such time as the needed repairs can be completed.

Nashville Public Radio is a noncommercial educational broadcaster and the facility is used on a noncommercial basis. Therefore, this application is exempt from the filing fee requirements pursuant to Section 1.1114 of the Commission's rules.