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Snake River Radio LLC  
P.O. Box 17  
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Re: Snake River Radio LLC  
KPCQ(AM), Chubbuck, ID  
Facility Identification Number: 24627  
Special Temporary Authority

Dear Applicant:

This is in reference to the request filed June 10, 2020, on behalf of Snake River Radio LLC ("SRR"). SRR requests special temporary authority ("STA") to operate station KPCQ(AM) with temporary facilities.<sup>1</sup> In support of the request, SRR states that KPCQ(AM) has been off the air while it negotiates a lease at its outstanding construction permit site (BP-20190624ABF). The process has taken much longer than anticipated and KPCQ(AM) must resume broadcast operations by 12:01 a.m., June 18, 2020 or its broadcast license will automatically expire as a matter of law. Thus, the station requests STA to temporarily operate with a long-wire antenna from the station's licensed site.

Specifically, KPCQ(AM) proposes to operate with a 200 foot (61 meters) long-wire antenna elevated 25 feet above ground level. The long-wire antenna will be supported by wooden poles. A reduced power of 0.25 kilowatt is proposed.

Accordingly, the request for STA is GRANTED. Station KPCQ(AM) may operate with the following facilities:

Geographic coordinates	42° 55' 38" N, 112° 30' 03" W (NAD 1927)
Frequency	1490 kHz
Hours of operation	Unlimited
Operating power	0.25 kilowatt
Antenna type	200 foot long-wire antenna supported by wooden poles
Antenna height above ground level	25 feet (7.6 meters)

It will be necessary to further reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are

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<sup>1</sup> KPCQ(AM) is licensed for unlimited hours operation on 1490 kHz with a power of 1 kilowatt, employing a non-directional antenna pattern (ND1-U).

received. KPCQ(AM) must notify the Commission when licensed operation is restored. KPCQ(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 **December 8, 2020**

**Notwithstanding the grant of this STA or the expiration date specified herein, the station's license will expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not commence by 12:01 a.m., June 18, 2020.** *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.

**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,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Jerome J. Manarchuck". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Jerome" and last name "Manarchuck" clearly legible.

Jerome J. Manarchuck  
Audio Division  
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