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Inspiration Media, Inc.
4880 Santa Rosa Road
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Re: Inspiration Media, Inc.
KGNW(AM), Burien-Seattle, WA
Facility Identification Number: 28819
Special Temporary Authority

Dear Applicant

This is in reference to the request filed January 8, 2021, on behalf of Inspiration Media, Inc. ("IMI"). IMI requests special temporary authority ("STA") to operate station KGNW(AM) during nighttime hours with parameters at variance from license values and/or reduced power while maintaining monitor points within license limits.¹

In support of the request, IMI states that a 174-foot communications support tower has been constructed approximately 734 feet from the center of the KGNW(AM) tower array on an approximate bearing of 13.4 degrees true. Although detuning skirts have been installed on the tower, it appears the installed detuning system was adjusted to detune the tower at the frequency of collocated station KJR(AM) on 950 kHz and not at the KGNW(AM) frequency of 820 kHz. Thus, an STA is requested to operate KGNW(AM) during nighttime hours with parameters at variance to licensed values or at reduced power or both in order to restore nighttime monitor point field strengths to levels at or below the station's licensed maximum values.

Accordingly, the request for STA IS HEREBY GRANTED. Station KGNW(AM) may operate during nighttime hours with parameters at variance from licensed values and/or reduced power while maintaining monitor points within licensed limits. No changes are proposed to the daytime operation. It will be necessary to further reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received. IMI must use whatever means are necessary to protect workers and the

¹ KGNW(AM) is licensed for operation on 820 kHz with a daytime power of 50 kilowatts and a nighttime power of 5 kilowatts, employing different directional antenna patterns (DA2-U).

public from exposure to radio frequency radiation in excess of the Commission's exposure guidelines. *See* 47 CFR § 1.1310.

This authority expires on **July 11, 2021**.

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,



Jerome J. Manarchuck
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Media Bureau

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