

Federal Communications Commission Washington, D.C. 20554

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WJBW LLC 3201 W Commercial Blvd – Ste 127 Fort Lauderdale, FL 33309

> Re:WJBW LLC WJBW(AM), Jupiter, FL Fac. ID No.: 32963 Special Temporary Authority

Dear Applicant:

This is in reference to the request filed October 12, 2021, on behalf of WJBW LLC ("WL"). WL requests special temporary authority ("STA") to operate station WJBW(AM) from an alternate site location with a temporary long-wire antenna.<sup>1</sup> The station lost the use of its licensed site and is working with a tower owner and zoning officials in the city of Jupiter in an effort to arrange for the use of a tower located within 2 miles of the licensed site. Until an arrangement can be made to use the tower as the new WJBW(AM) antenna, the station requests the same STA facilities granted in BSTA-20200203AAL.

Specifically, WJBW(AM) proposes to operate daytime and nighttime from a site located 3.1 kilometers (1.9 miles) from its currently licensed site. Operation is proposed with a reduced daytime power of 250 watts and a nighttime power of 17 watts. The station will employ a 246 foot (75 meter) long-wire antenna in an inverted "V" formation. The long-wire will extend from the ATU up to an existing 140 foot tower and then down to a 10 foot pole on the other end.

STA requests which involve a change in transmitter site must include four critical elements: (1) Loss of the licensed site must be beyond the licensee's control; (2) STA facilities must continue to provide service to the licensed community; (3) STA facilities must maintain, as closely as practicable, the licensed service area<sup>2</sup> without extending it; (4) STA facilities cannot involve the construction of towers intended for permanent use by the station requesting the STA.

Accordingly, the request for STA IS GRANTED AND BESTA-20210819AAH IS SUPERSEDED. Station WJBW(AM) may operate with the following facilities:

Geographic coordinates	26° 55′ 23″ N, 80° 08′ 34″ W (NAD 1927)
Frequency	1000 kHz
Hours of operation	Daytime and Nighttime

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> WJBW(AM) is licensed for operation on 1000 kHz with a daytime power of 0.65 kilowatt and a nighttime power of 0.017 kilowatt, employing a non-directional antenna pattern (ND2-U).

 $<sup>^2</sup>$  For AM - 0.5 mV/m contour; for FM - 1.0 mV/m contour.

Operating power Antenna type 250 watts (Daytime), 17 watts (Nighttime)246 foot (75 meter) inverted "V" long-wire antenna

It will be necessary to further reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received. WJBW(AM) must notify the Commission when licensed operation is restored. WJBW(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 April 11, 2022.

**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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