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Re: Citadel Broadcasting Company
WTMA (AM), Charleston, South Carolina
Facility Identification Number: 72376
Special Temporary Authority

Dear Counsel:

This is in reference to the request filed October 10, 2008, on behalf of Citadel Broadcasting Company ("Citadel"). Citadel requests extension of the special temporary authority ("STA") granted on to operate Station WTMA with emergency antenna facilities pursuant to Section 73.1680.[1] In support of the request, Citadel provides a report of its progress toward restoration of its transmitting equipment that was damaged by fire.

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.

Our review indicates that the licensee has made substantial progress toward restoring licensed operation. Thus, extension of STA is warranted. In anticipation of the restoration of directional operation, the STA will be modified to allow for such operation pending completion of repairs.

Accordingly, the request for extension of STA IS HEREBY GRANTED, with modification as discussed herein. Station WTMA may operate with parameters at variance and/or reduced

[1] WTMA is licensed for operation on 1250 kHz with 5 kilowatts daytime and 1 kilowatt nighttime, employing a directional antenna during nighttime hours only (DA-N-U). Construction Permit BP-20080923AEG authorizes relocation of the transmitter and modifications to the daytime and nighttime directional patterns.

power while maintaining monitor points within licensed limits. Operation with an emergency nondirectional antenna and reduced power not to exceed 1.25 kilowatts daytime and 0.25 kilowatt nighttime also is authorized, as necessary to facilitate the repair work. It will be necessary to further reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received. Citadel must notify the Commission when licensed operation is restored.[2] Citadel 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 24, 2009**.

Sincerely,

Charles N. Miller, Engineer
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cc: Citadel Broadcasting Company

[2] *See* 47 CFR §§ 73.45(c), 73.51, 73.54, 73.61(b).