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Re: University of Rochester Broadcast Corp.
WRUR-FM, Rochester, New York
Facility Identification Number: 69138
Special Temporary Authority

Dear Ms. Algier:

This is in reference to the request filed January 28, 2010, on behalf of University of Rochester Broadcast Corp. ("URBC"). URBC requests special temporary authority ("STA") to operate Station WRUR-FM with temporary facilities.¹ In support of the request, URBC states that it holds Construction Permit BMPED-20070907AAV, which authorizes relocation of the WRUR-FM transmitter (See Note 1, below); however, it has experienced delays in delivery of the directional antenna authorized by the permit. URBC seeks STA for operation from the permit site with a temporary antenna and reduced power.

Section 73.1615, which governs operation during modification of facilities, provides that licensees holding construction permits for modification of directional or nondirectional FM and TV or nondirectional AM facilities may discontinue operation, may operate with temporary facilities to maintain, as nearly as possible, but not exceed, the size of the currently licensed coverage area. Such operation may commence upon notification to the FCC, and may continue for a period not exceeding 30 days. Should it be necessary to continue such operation beyond 30 days, a request for STA must be filed prior to the 30th day. Our review indicates that the proposed STA operation substantially complies with Section 73.1615.²

Accordingly, the request for STA IS HEREBY GRANTED. Station WRUR-FM may operate with the following facilities:

Geographic coordinates:	43° 8' 7" N, 77° 35' 3" W (NAD 1927)
Channel	203 (88.5 MHz)
Effective radiated power:	3 kilowatts (H&V)
Antenna height:	

¹ WRUR-FM is licensed for operation on Channel 203A (88.5 MHz) with effective radiated power ("ERP") of 3 kilowatts (H&V) and antenna height above average terrain ("HAAT") of 106 meters. Construction Permit BMPED-20070907AAV authorizes relocation of the transmitter, a class upgrade to Class B1, an increase in HAAT to 109 meters and an increase in ERP to 18 kilowatts (Max-DA, H&V). The permit expires on July 23, 2010.

² The 3 meter increase in antenna height (See Note 1) results in a very small (less than 4 percent) increase in coverage area.

above ground: 52 meters
above mean sea level: 257 meters
Above average terrain: 109 meters

It is anticipated that an application for license to cover the permit will be filed prior to the expiration date below. URBC 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 **July 23, 2010**. This also is the expiration date of the construction permit.

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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