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Re: Aloha Station Trust, LLC
KRRZ (AM), Minot, North Dakota
Facility Identification Number: 9679
Special Temporary Authority

Dear Counsel:

This is in reference to the request filed June 27, 2011, on behalf of Aloha Station Trust, LLC ("AST"). AST requests special temporary authority ("STA") to operate Station KRRZ with temporary facilities.[1] In support of the request, AST states that the licensed transmitter site has been disabled by flooding. AST proposes STA operation from the site authorized for modified facilities of commonly owned Station KCJB (AM) by Construction Permit BP-20100513AAD. AST states that KCJB continues to operate from its currently licensed site, so that there will be no impact on the operation of Station KCJB.

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[2] to the licensed community; (3) STA facilities must maintain, as closely as practicable, the licensed service area[3] without extending it; (4) STA facilities cannot involve the construction of towers intended for permanent use by the station requesting the STA. Our review indicates that the proposed STA operation complies with the foregoing criteria.

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

Geographic coordinates	48° 12′ 09″ N, 101° 20′ 54″ W (NAD 1927)
Frequency	1390 KHz
Hours of operation	Unlimited
Operating power	Not to exceed 1 kW
Antenna type	Nondirectional
Radiator height	127.1° (76.3 meters)
Antenna efficiency	313.8 mV/m/km/kW
Overall height	77.1 meters

[1] KRRZ is licensed for operation on 1390 kHz with 5 kilowatts daytime and 1 kilowatt nighttime, employing a nondirectional antenna (ND-2-U).

[2] For AM - 5 mV/m; for commercial FM - 3.16 mV/m; for noncommercial educational FM - 1.0 mV/m.

[3] For AM - 0.5 mV/m contour; for FM - 1.0 mV/m contour.

It will be necessary to further reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received. AST must notify the Commission when licensed operation is restored.[4] AST 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. Any construction undertaken pursuant to this authority is entirely at AST's own risk.

This authority expires on **December 29, 2011**.

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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cc: Aloha Station Trust, LLC

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