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In Re: WHGH(AM), Thomasville, Georgia
Facility ID No. 25733
Request for Special Temporary
Authorization

Dear Mr. Oxenford:

This letter refers to the February 8, 2013, request for Special Temporary Authorization (“STA”) filed on behalf of HGH Investments (“Licensee”), licensee of expired Station WHGH(AM), Thomasville, Georgia (the “Station”).

Applications for renewal of Georgia broadcast station licenses were to be filed by December 1, 2011. No such application was filed, and the Station’s license expired on April 1, 2012. Subsequently, on February 8, 2013, Licensee filed a license renewal application for the Station,¹ including in that application a request for STA to resume Station operations at licensed parameters pending consideration of the (untimely) renewal application.² Licensee indicates that, due to “administrative confusion and errors on WHGH’s part,” it failed to timely file its renewal application and take appropriate steps to reinstate the Station’s license.

Under Section 309(f) of the Communications Act,³ when an appropriate application has been filed, the Commission may grant special temporary authorization if it finds that there are extraordinary circumstances requiring temporary operation is in the public interest and that delay in the institution of such temporary operations would seriously prejudice the public interest. In this case, we believe that the public interest in continuing WHGH(AM)’s broadcast service to the residents of Thomasville, Georgia, warrants resumed operation of the station pending consideration and disposition of the renewal application.

Accordingly, the February 8, 2013, request for Special Temporary Authorization filed by Down Home Broadcasting IS GRANTED, and it may resume operation of Station WHGH(AM), Thomasville, Georgia, with the facilities for which the license expired on April 1, 2012.


¹ File No. BR-20130208ABM.

² *Id.* at Exhibit 12, pp. 1, 8-9.

³ 47 U.S.C. § 309(f).

This authorization will expire: (1) 180 days from the date of this letter; or (2) upon action on the pending WHGH(AM) license renewal application, whichever is sooner.

Sincerely,


for Peter H. Doyle
Chief, Audio Division
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HGH Investments