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Re: WGLD(AM), Red Lion, Pennsylvania
Facility Identification Number: 55352
Susquehanna License Co., LLC
Special Temporary Authorization

Dear Counsel:

This is in reference to the request filed April 24, 2008, on behalf of Susquehanna License Co., LLC ("Susquehanna"). Susquehanna requests special temporary authority ("STA") for continued operation of Station WGLD pursuant to Section 73.1615.[1] In support of the request, Susquehanna states that it is in the process of relocating Station WGLD to the site of Station WSBA, as authorized by Construction Permit BP-20070119AEA, and that the Commission was notified on March 25, 2008, that Station WGLD had resumed operation from the permit site. Susquehanna requests STA for continued operation with the facilities authorized by the permit, pending completion of necessary modifications to the WSBA facilities.[2]

Section 73.1615, which governs operation during modification of facilities, provides that licensees holding construction permits for modification of nondirectional AM facilities may discontinue operation or may operate with temporary facilities to maintain, as nearly as possible, but not exceed, the size of the presently licensed coverage area.

Accordingly, the request for STA IS HEREBY GRANTED. Station WGLD may continue to operate with the facilities authorized by Construction Permit BP-20070119AEA. It will be necessary to further reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received. Susquehanna 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.

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[1] WGLD is licensed to Red Lion, PA, for operation on 1440 kHz with 1 kW daytime and 0.056 kW nighttime, employing a nondirectional antenna (ND-1-U). Construction permit BP-20070119AEA authorizes relocation of the station to Manchester Township, relocation of the transmitter, an increase in antenna height and a reduction in operating power to 0.73 kW daytime and 0.053 kW nighttime.

[2] Station WSBA also requested and was granted STA to facilitate the diplexing of the two stations.

This authority expires on **October 28, 2008**.

**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: Susquehanna License Co., LLC