

# **AMERICAN FAMILY ASSOCIATION**

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## **Exhibit 23 Meridian, MS**

### **Engineering Statement in Support of Change to the Community of License**

#### **Introduction**

American Family Association requests a community of license change for WSQH.C from Forest, Mississippi, to Meridian, Mississippi.

This statement is included to show that the proposed community of license change to the current construction permit of WSQH.C Forest, MS, will not leave any area underserved according to the guidelines of 307(b).

#### **Discussion**

In the instructions for the new Form 340, the FCC describes several points that are required for a showing that the proposed community of license change would result in a preferential arrangement of allotments under section 307(b). Those requirements have been divided into the two sections below:

#### **1. Minimum Requirements**

The commission has requested that any 307(b) showing contain the following minimum information:

The number of stations licensed to the current community of license is four (4). The number of stations licensed to the proposed community of license is nine (9).

The number of stations providing service to the proposed community of license is 27.

The population of the proposed community of license is 39,968.

Meridian, MS, has been recognized by the FCC as a licensable

community by the authorization of WYHL (FIN 7064).

## 2. Other Relevant Information

### A. Number of Aural Services

The proposed change to WSQH.C will result in preferential arrangement of facilities. American Family Association currently has two (2) stations licensed to Forest, Mississippi. This application will allow American Family Association to serve Meridian, Mississippi, with local transmission service as well as maintain one (1) station in Forest, Mississippi.

The former community of license, Forest, MS, continues to be served by the following facilities:

***FIN: 9926***

***Call Sign: WMBU***

***Channel/Freq.: 89.1***

***Community of License: Forest, MS***

***FIN: 1652***

***Call Sign: WQST***

***Channel/Freq.: 850***

***Community of License: Forest, MS***

***FIN: 1626***

***Call Sign: WQST-FM***

***Channel/Freq.: 92.5***

***Community of License: Forest, MS***

### **Conclusion**

Since the transmitter properties associated with the construction permit will not change, the entire area within the proposed contour of WSQH.C will remain the same thus no underserved area will be created or currently proposed served area affected. The grant of this community of license change will result in a preferential arrangement of facilities as it will allow Meridian, Mississippi, to increase aural service, yet allow American Family Association to maintain service for the city of Forest, Mississippi.