



Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554

May 4, 2022

Townsquare License, LLC
240 Greenwich Ave.
Greenwich, CT 06830

Re: Townsquare License, LLC
KBOB(AM), Davenport, IA
Fac. ID No.: 13662
Special Temporary Authority

Dear Applicant:

This is in reference to the request filed May 4, 2022, on behalf of Townsquare License, LLC ("TLL"). TLL requests special temporary authority ("STA") to operate station KBOB(AM) with parameters at variance from its licensed facilities and/or reduced power while maintaining monitor points within license limits.¹ Specifically, TLL requests that station KBOB(AM) be permitted to operate during daytime hours with the station's licensed nighttime facilities.

In support of the request, TLL states that due to an antenna switching issue, the station has been operating day and night with its nighttime antenna pattern since April 27, 2022. Until the necessary repairs are made, KBOB(AM) requests STA to operate during daytime and nighttime hours with its licensed nighttime facilities.

Accordingly, the request for STA IS HEREBY GRANTED. KBOB(AM) may operate during daytime and nighttime hours using its nighttime directional antenna with a power of 1 kilowatt. It will be necessary to further reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received. KBOB(AM) must notify the Commission when licensed operation is restored. KBOB(AM) 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 **October 31, 2022**.

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

¹ KBOB(AM) is licensed for operation on 1170 kHz with a daytime and nighttime power of 1 kilowatt, employing different directional antenna patterns (DA2-U).

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,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jerome J. Manarchuck". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial "J" and a long, sweeping tail.

Jerome J. Manarchuck
Audio Division
Media Bureau

cc: Emilie de Lozier, Esq. (via email only)
Howard Liberman, Esq. (via email only)