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Re: W299AU (FM), Zolfo Springs, FL
Azure Media, LLC
Facility Identification Number: 138526
Special Temporary Authority ("STA")
BESTA-20140912AAH

Dear Counsel:

This is in reference to the request filed September 12, 2014, on behalf of Azure Media, LLC ("Azure Media"). Azure Media requests an extension of the April 3, 2014 special temporary authority ("STA") to operate translator station W299AU with temporary facilities while the licensee implements construction permit BPFT-20130930BHD. Azure Media explains that negotiations are continuing over use of the tower structure specified in the construction permit.

The request for STA extension IS HEREBY GRANTED. Station W299AU may continue to operate as authorized in the staff's April 3, 2014 letter. Azure Media must use whatever means are necessary to protect workers and the public from radiofrequency exposure in excess of the Commission's exposure guidelines. *See* 47 CFR § 1.1310.

This authority expires on **March 27, 2015**.

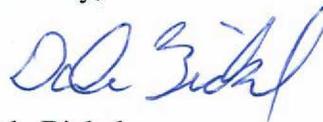
STA Advisory: Section 309(f) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, authorizes the Commission to grant STA in cases of "extraordinary circumstances requiring temporary authorizations in the public interest and when delay in the institution of the temporary operations would seriously prejudice 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: Azure Media, LLC