## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Washington, DC

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Re: Extension of time granted for KIIN-TV, KDIN-TV, KTIN(TV), KYIN(TV), KBIN-TV, KHIN(TV), KSIN-TV and KRIN(TV).

This is in response to your letter requesting a waiver of the requirement to have Emergency Alert System (EAS) equipment (47 CFR Part 11) at IPBB satellite broadcast stations. IPBB is authorized to operate with one set of EAS equipment at the main network control point for the broadcast stations operating as satellites of IPBB network during those times when network programming is being broadcast. For those stations located in the same EAS Local Area as the control point, their equipment waiver is permanent. All of the other stations are granted a three year extension of time for installing EAS equipment beginning with the date of this letter. They may apply for additional time as the extension deadline approaches.

As long as the broadcast stations operating as satellites of IPBB network rebroadcast 100% of the programming of the IPBB control point and are located in the same EAS Local Area, one set of EAS equipment at the control point is permitted. If any programming originates from a satellite station, it must install and test EAS equipment within three years of the date of this letter. The EAS Required Weekly Test (RWT) transmitted by IPBB network control point should contain the event code RWT, the location codes for the counties that contain the cities of license of IPBB broadcast stations, and the call sign of the broadcast station (or IPBB) which serves as IPBB network control point. The EAS Required Monthly Test (RMT) transmitted by IPBB control point shall be a retransmission of the RMT as received by the control point EAS equipment or shall be conducted according to the State EAS plan.

Any change in the information concerning this matter should be sent to the FCC EAS Staff. This authorization is subject to modification or cancellation at any time without the right to hearing. Please post this letter with the licenses of the satellite stations. If you have any questions, please call the EAS Staff at (202) 418-1226.

Sincerely,

Frank Lucia

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