

Notification of Reduced Power Operation

NCE Station KRNE-FM, Merriman, NE (Facility ID 47955)

Pursuant to Section 73.1635 of the FCC's Rules, Nebraska Educational Telecommunication Commission ("NETC"), licensee of noncommercial educational radio station KRNE-FM, Merriman, Nebraska, respectfully requests Special Temporary Authorization ("STA") to maintain the reduced power status of KRNE-FM for more than thirty (30) days.

NETC previously notified the FCC of KRNE-FM's reduced power status on March 29, 2024 in FCC File No. 0000242576, pursuant to Section 73.1560(d) of the FCC's Rules. As explained in that filing, KRNE-FM began operating at a reduced power of approximately 40% of the station's authorized power levels as March 20, 2024, as needed to accommodate tower crew work on the station's transmitter tower. The tower work has not been completed as of this date due to weather conditions, and it may be at least several days before the tower crew will be on site again to complete the process. KRNE-FM will therefore need to remain at reduced power for more than thirty days.

A grant of reduced power STA will serve the public interest by authorizing the licensee to maintain, without interruption, the station's current noncommercial educational radio operation and programming for listeners in its local community until the site work can be completed to allow KRNE-FM to resume full power operation.

NETC is a governmental entity and a noncommercial educational broadcaster, and station KRNE-FM is licensed and operated on a noncommercial educational basis. This application is therefore exempt from FCC filing fee requirements pursuant to Section 1.1116 of the FCC's rules, and the station is exempt from FCC regulatory fees pursuant to Section 1.1162 of the FCC's rules.