

Hoosier AM/FM, LLC
WBAT(AM), Marion, Indiana
Facility Id. No. 41841
April 2024

Request for Engineering STA

Hoosier AM/FM, LLC hereby files this request for Engineering STA for WBAT(AM) to operate at variance to the station's licensed facility. As discussed in previous requests for an Engineering STA for WBAT, a storm severely damaged the tower for WBAT. Consequently, WBAT is required to operate at variance to the station's licensed facilities. Hoosier AM/FM proposed to operate WBAT with a 140-foot-long steel wire strung horizontally between two 25-foot-high poles with 500 watts.

On March 16, 2022, Hoosier AM/FM filed an application for construction permit specifying new facilities for WBAT to address the damage to the licensed facilities. On May 31, 2022, the FCC granted the permit application. Hoosier AM/FM timely pursued seeking FCC approval for new facilities for WBAT, however the change in economic conditions caused by inflation have delayed ordering the transmission equipment and hiring professionals to construct the facilities.