



Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554
June 10, 2022

Paul Rahmlow
Midwest Communications, Inc.
904 Grand Ave.
Wausau, WI 54403

Re: Midwest Communications, Inc. (MCI)
WTAQ(AM), Green Bay, WI
Facility Identification Number: 42086
Special Temporary Authority (STA)
BESTA-20220609AAC

Dear Mr. Rahmlow:

This is in reference to the request filed on June 9, 2022. MCI requests a further extension of the STA granted on April 30, 2019, to continue operating with nighttime parameters at variance to allow time to file the required FCC Form 302 application.¹ In support of the request, MCI states that additional time will be needed to complete all remaining repairs (after the site dries out) before filing the application to update all operating parameters.

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.

Accordingly, the request for extension of the STA IS HEREBY GRANTED, and MCI may continue to operate with nighttime DA parameters at variance and reduced power to maintain monitor points within licensed tolerances (with no change to the licensed daytime 10 kW operation). MCI must reduce the night power or cease night operations if complaints of interference are received, and use whatever means are necessary to protect workers and the

¹ WTAQ(AM) is licensed for DA operation on 1360 kHz with 10 kW (day) and 5 kW (night) using different patterns.

public from exposure to radio frequency radiation in excess of the Commission's exposure guidelines. *See 47 CFR §1.1310.* MCI must submit an e-mail to my attention to note the date the application was filed with the audiofilings team to verify no further temporary operation will be needed.

This authority expires on **December 9, 2022.**

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Joe Szczesny", with a large loop on the left side.

Joseph Szczesny, Engineer
Audio Division
Media Bureau

cc: John S. Neely, Esq., MN PC (via email only)