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Re: WBT (AM), Charlotte, North Carolina
Facility Identification Number: 30830
Lincoln Financial Media Company of North Carolina
Special Temporary Authority

Dear Counsel:

This is in reference to the request filed December 28, 2006, on behalf of Lincoln Financial Media Company of North Carolina ("LFM"). LFM requests further extension of the special temporary authority ("STA") granted on November 13, 2002, to operate Station WBT with parameters at variance from licensed values and/or reduced power while maintaining monitor points within licensed limits.¹

In support of the request, LFM states that it continues to work diligently to address the issues; however, final resolution depends on cooperation of tower owners and operators in the area, which has been limited and slow in coming.

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.

Our review indicates that the licensee has made substantial progress toward restoration of

¹ WBT is licensed for operation on 1110 kHz with 50 kilowatts daytime and 50 kilowatts nighttime, employing a directional antenna during nighttime hours only (DA-N-U).

licensed operation, but has been prevented from completing the work due to causes beyond its control. Thus, extension of STA is warranted.

Accordingly, the request for extension of STA IS HEREBY GRANTED. Station WBT may continue to operate with parameters at variance from licensed values and/or reduced power while maintaining monitor points within licensed limits. It will be necessary to further reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received. LFM must notify the Commission when licensed operation is restored.² LFM must use whatever means are necessary to protect workers and the public from exposure to radio frequency radiation in excess of the Commission's exposure guidelines. *See* 47 CFR § 1.1310.

This authority expires on **February 29, 2008**.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Charles N. Miller". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Charles" being more prominent.

Charles N. Miller, Engineer
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cc: Lincoln Financial Media Company of North Carolina

² *See* 47 CFR §§ 73.45(c), 73.51, 73.54, 73.61(b).