

Request for Extension of Special Temporary Authorization

JBS, Inc. (“JBS”), acting pursuant to Section 73.1635 of the Commission’s rules, 47 C.F.R. §73.1635, hereby requests an extension of its Special Temporary Authorization (“STA”) for Class A television station WYSJ-CA, Yorktown, Virginia (Facility ID 35134) (“WYSJ” or the “Station”) to operate with reduced power for a period up to 180 days.

As previously explained to the Commission in an STA request filed on May 1, 2012 (File No. BLSTA-20120501ACT), the current operational status of WYSJ has been precipitated by events involving Samuel Jacobs (“Jacobs”), JBS’ President and 70% voting stockholder. On April 13, 2012, following a trial in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia, Jacobs was convicted of 27 counts of mail fraud, money laundering, engaging in transactions using proceeds from the mail fraud, and forgery. Jacobs was sentenced on February 21, 2013, but has filed an appeal with the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit. Thus, the Order of the United States District Court is not final, and it will not become final until after the conclusion of the appeals process.

After his conviction, Jacobs executed a Special Power of Attorney and a General Power of Attorney authorizing his attorney, Nathaniel J. Webb, III, to act on Jacobs’ behalf to oversee the operation of WYSJ and to arrange for the return of Jacobs’ stock to JBS (subject to prior Commission approval). At that juncture, Neal Rosenbaum, who holds the remaining 30% of JBS’s stock, will become the company’s sole stockholder. A Form 315 application (“Transfer Application”) was filed with the Commission on May 3, 2012 (File No. BTCTTA-20120503ABK) to effectuate that plan. The Transfer Application currently remains pending before the Commission.

On September 13, 2012, and June 7, 2013, JBS filed requests for an STA (File Nos. BSTA-20120913AAQ and BSTA-20130607AAS) to operate WYSJ with reduced power at its licensed transmitter site. As demonstrated therein, JBS elected to forego efforts to implement WYSJ’s digital construction permit (File No. BDFCDTA-20090825BHE) (“Permit”) authorizing WYSJ to operate on channel 19 in Yorktown, Virginia, in order to expedite the return of the Station to on-air operation. As a result of those efforts, WYSJ resumed broadcast operations on September 9, 2012 and has continued to operate the Station at reduced power. Due to the licensee’s current financial position, it is not able to implement the Station’s digital Permit at this time.

This request to extend the existing STA is being filed to authorize WYSJ’s continued operation with reduced power at its licensed site, which is well within its licensed service contour. JBS is requesting an STA for a period of 180 days to avoid the need to file a subsequent STA request in the event that unforeseen circumstances delay the Station’s return to operating with its full licensed power. A grant of this STA request would serve the public interest because it would enable WYSJ to serve the residents of the Station’s service area while the Commission continues to process the Transfer Application and the WYSJ renewal application.