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Re: Midwest Communications, Inc. (MC)
WBOW (AM), Terre Haute, Indiana
Facility Identification Number: 65242
Special Temporary Authority (STA)
BESTA - 20121123ADU

Dear Counsel:

This is in reference to the request filed on November 23, 2012. MC requests extension of the original STA granted to the former licensee on May 22, 2012, to operate Station WBOW with temporary facilities.¹ In support of the request, MC states that it intends to file a construction permit application after a new transmitter site has been identified.

We note that the previous STA expired on November 22, 2012. Our review indicates that the circumstances presented warrant grant of STA in order to provide for service to the public, and that the requested STA facilities are the same as were previously authorized. However, in light of the lapse of time between the expiration of the prior STA and the filing date of the instant request, this will be considered as a request for a new STA and therefore the authority granted will not cover the time period between the expiration of the prior STA and the filing of the instant request.

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 STA IS HEREBY GRANTED. Station WBOW may continue to operate with the following facilities:

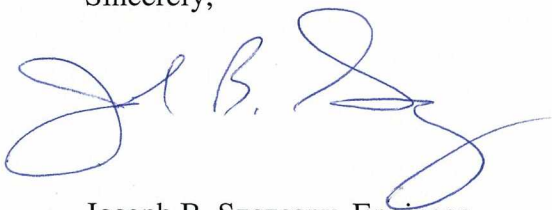
¹ WBOW is licensed for operation on 1300 kHz with 0.5 kilowatt daytime and 0.075 kilowatt nighttime, employing a nondirectional antenna (ND-2-U).

Geographic coordinates	39° 27' 22" N, 87° 28' 50" W (NAD 1927)
Frequency	1300 KHz
Hours of operation	Unlimited
Operating power	Not to exceed 0.5 kW daytime, 0.075 kW nighttime
Antenna type	Inverted "V" wire dipole
Antenna efficiency	282 mV/m/km/kW
Overall height	55 meters

It will be necessary to further reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received. It is anticipated that an application for construction permit will be filed prior to the expiration date below. MC 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 **July 4, 2012**.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "J.B. Szczesny", with a large, stylized flourish at the end.

Joseph B. Szczesny, Engineer
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cc: Midwest Communications, Inc.