

Technical Statement

In support of Application For License and Program Test Authority
BPH-20050705ABF
WLRW – Saga Communications of Illinois, LLC (“Saga”)
Champaign, IL

The attached form 302 “License To Cover” Application requests a license for the newly authorized facilities of WLRW Channel 233B at Champaign, IL. The WLRW facilities have been constructed per the Construction Permit.

In addition to WLRW there is a pending application (BP-200506030AEI) by AM Broadcast Station WBCP Urbana, IL to also locate their facilities on the same tower.

The old WLRW/WBCP tower is in poor physical shape and has failed a structural test. The tower is near and could fall on the studio building creating physical damage to the building and possible injury to the stations personnel. The old and new towers are located only 4.5 meters (15 feet) apart. Mostly likely if the old tower were to fall it would bring down the new tower creating even more damage and possible injury. Therefore, it is felt the old tower should be demolished as soon as possible. WLRW has completed its construction and can begin operation from the new site immediately. Upon grant of the WBCP Application, a folded unipole skirt will be ordered and installed to the new tower and a new antenna tuning unit will be installed at the tower base.

Therefore, in order to expedite the ability to demolish the old tower, Saga is informed that WBCP proposes to obtain a Special Temporary Authority to install a long wire antenna on the site while waiting on the grant of their application and the arrival and installation of the attachments to the tower. WLRW request program test authority to begin broadcasting from the new facilities as soon as possible.

The WBCP facilities are not authorized or complete; thus, Saga request the Commission to find that Saga has complied with Special Operating Condition #1. In order for WBCP to obtain a license to cover their new construction, it will be necessary for them to file a Form 302-AM and fully comply with this condition.

The two meter fence with warning signs as required in Condition #3 of the Construction Permit has been constructed. Thus, the fence will preclude casual or inadvertent access to prevent the exposure of humans to radiofrequency electromagnetic fields per OET Bulletin #65.

In summary, Saga request that WLRW be given program test authority as soon as possible so operation may begin on the new tower.

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