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Re: Christian Broadcasting of New Orleans, Inc.
WBOK (AM), New Orleans, Louisiana
Facility Identification Number: 10917
Special Temporary Authority

Dear Counsel:

This is in reference to the request filed January 22, 2007, on behalf of Christian Broadcasting of New Orleans, Inc. ("CBNO"). CBNO requests extension of the special temporary authority ("STA") granted on August 4, 2006, to operate Station WBOK with emergency antenna facilities pursuant to Section 73.1680.¹ In support of the request, CBNO states that restoration of the station's licensed antenna tower, which was damaged by Hurricane Katrina, is taking longer than anticipated due to the extreme conditions in the New Orleans area resulting from the hurricane.

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 been prevented from restoring licensed operation due to causes beyond its control and has taken all possible steps to expeditiously resolve the problem. Thus, extension of STA is warranted.

Accordingly, the request for extension of STA IS HEREBY GRANTED. Station WBOK may

¹ WBOK is licensed for operation on 1230 kHz with 1 kilowatt daytime and 1 kilowatt nighttime, employing a nondirectional antenna (ND-1-U).

continue to operate with emergency antenna facilities as described above. It will be necessary to further reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received. CBNO must notify the Commission when licensed operation is restored.² CBNO 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 **March 12, 2008**.

Sincerely,

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

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cc: Christian Broadcasting of New Orleans, Inc.

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