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La Mas Z Radio, Inc.  
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Re: La Mas Z Radio, Inc.  
WTIL(AM), Mayaguez, PR  
Facility Identification Number: 40780  
Special Temporary Authority

Dear Applicant:

This is in reference to the request filed June 27, 2017, on behalf of La Mas Z Radio, Inc. ("LMZ"). LMZ requests special temporary authority ("STA") to operate station WTIL(AM) from an alternate site location.<sup>1</sup> Specifically, WTIL(AM) proposes to operate from the prior W12XSO transmitter site.

In support of the request, WTIL(AM) states that one of the anchors of WTIL(AM)'s tower is located on land that is not station's property. The owner of the land claims that the anchor has to be eliminated since he has already begun construction of a development at that site. LMZ claims that there is no way to relocate the anchor inside WTIL(AM)'s site without relocating the tower inside WTIL(AM)'s actual site. Thus, the station is requesting STA to operate from an alternate site which is located 3.5 kilometers southeast of its licensed site. Specifically, WTIL(AM) proposes to operate non-directionally with 1 kilowatt of power. The antenna structure registration number (ASRN) for the existing tower is 1249764.

STA requests which involve a change in transmitter site must include four critical elements: (1) Loss of the licensed site must be beyond the licensee's control; (2) STA facilities must continue to provide service to the licensed community; (3) STA facilities must maintain, as closely as practicable, the licensed service area<sup>2</sup> without extending it; (4) STA facilities cannot involve the construction of towers intended for permanent use by the station requesting the STA.

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<sup>1</sup> WTIL(AM) is licensed for operation on 1300 kHz with unlimited hours power of 1 kilowatt, employing a non-directional antenna (ND1-U).

<sup>2</sup> For AM - 0.5 mV/m contour; for FM - 1.0 mV/m contour.

Accordingly, the request for STA is GRANTED. Station WTIL(AM) may operate with the following facilities:

Geographic coordinates	18° 09' 17" N, 67° 09' 08" W (NAD 1927)
Frequency	1300 KHz
Hours of operation	Unlimited
Operating power	1 kilowatt
Antenna type	Existing tower
ASRN	1249764
Overall tower height	52.8 meters (173 feet)
Electrical height of radiator	80.9°
Antenna efficiency	299.6 mV/m/kW at 1 km

It will be necessary to further reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received. WTIL(AM) must notify the Commission when licensed operation is restored. WTIL(AM) 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 **January 9, 2018**.

**STA Advisory:** Section 309(f) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, authorizes the Commission to grant STA in cases of "extraordinary circumstances requiring temporary authorizations in the public interest and when delay in the institution of the temporary operations would seriously prejudice the public interest." However, Section 309(f) is not a means by which a licensee/permittee may circumvent established processing procedures which require the filing of an application, nor is it a means by which a broadcaster may enhance his facility or make operation more convenient for the broadcaster. Stations operating with less than licensed facilities under temporary authorities can be viewed as receiving the benefit of a larger protection area than that in which they are currently providing service.

Accordingly, Special Temporary Authorities by nature are to be temporary and are not intended for extended use. Licensees of stations operating under temporary authorities are reminded that timely restoration of permanent facilities is the responsibility of the licensee and should be undertaken expeditiously. Any request for extension of special temporary authorities carries an increased burden with each subsequent request.

Therefore, 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.

Sincerely,

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

Jerome J. Manarchuck  
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