

***TECHNICAL EXHIBIT***  
***NOTICE OF SUSPENSION OF OPERATIONS AND***  
***REQUEST FOR SILENCE AUTHORITY***

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FM STATION WWHN-FM  
88.9 MHz / FACILITY ID: 177414  
IRONDALE, ILLINOIS

HAWKINS COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY

SEPTEMBER 2020

## **SUSPENSION OF OPERATIONS AND REQUEST FOR SILENCE AUTHORITY**

The following engineering statement has been prepared for **Hawkins Communications Company** ("Hawkins"), licensee of non-commercial educational FM station WWHN-FM at Irondale, Illinois, and is in support of their notice of suspension of operation and request for silence authority.<sup>1</sup>

WWHN-FM has operated from leased land near the community of license. It has been known for a period of time that the landowner would likely seek to redevelop this parcel. Once redevelopment occurred, Hawkins would lose its lease on the site for use by WWHN-FM. Redevelopment efforts have been begun, and Hawkins has been advised that they are to remove their equipment from the site, having forced to cease broadcasts on September 11, 2020.

The loss of the site for WWHN-FM will necessarily require a relocation of that facility. To that end, the licensee has provided the undersigned engineer with potential site locations to be used by the WWHN-FM facility. These sites are currently under investigation, and it is anticipated that a suitable replacement site can be identified in a short amount of time. Once a site is identified and its used secured, an application for a minor change construction permit will be filed to specify this new site location.

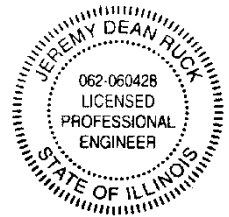
Given that a site location must be identified, a construction permit issued, and construction completed, it is respectfully requested that the special temporary authority be given a duration of no less than 180 days. Hawkins is cognizant of the requirement that the station resume operations

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<sup>1</sup> The Facility ID for WWHN-FM at Irondale, Illinois is 177414.

within one calendar year in order to maintain the license. This request for STA is exempt from environmental processing, as it does not involve any changes to the licensed transmitter facility, under which it is being requested.

The preceding statement has been prepared by me, or under my direction, and is true and accurate to the best of my belief and knowledge.



Above signature is digitized copy of actual signature  
License Expires November 30, 2019

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September 16, 2020

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