

Federal Communications Commission Washington, D.C. 20554

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Maine Public Broadcasting Corporation Jeffrey F. Mahaney 1450 Lisbon Street Lewiston, ME 04240

> In Re: Special Temporary Authority For Station WMEA-TV Biddeford, Maine Application File No. 0000087285 Fac Id: 39656

Dear Licensee:

This is in reference to your October 24, 2019 request seeking special temporary authority (STA) to operate TV station WMEA-TV, Biddeford, ME, on its pre-auction channel using an interim antenna with reduced parameters while the station's main facility is completed and made operational.

After a thorough review of your technical specifications, we are persuaded that no interference is likely to occur from the proposed operation. We therefore conclude that the public interest would be served by the grant of this request. If problems do arise, we expect them to be solved expeditiously and the Bureau reserves the right to require the termination of the operation.

With respect to radio frequency radiation (RFR), we expect compliance with Section 1.1307(b) of the Commission's Rules to be achieved.

In light of the above, special temporary authority IS GRANTED pursuant to Section 73.1560(d) and 73.1635 of the Commission's Rules. This authorization expires on **March 13, 2020.**

Sincerely,

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cc: Barry S. Persh, Esq.