



Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554

April 29, 2024

Word Broadcasting Network, Inc.
6900 Billtown Road
Louisville, KY 40299

Re: Word Broadcasting Network, Inc.
WXVW(AM), Jeffersonville, IN
Fac. ID No.:63935
Special Temporary Authority

Dear Applicant:

This is in reference to the request filed April 3, 2024 on behalf of Word Broadcasting Network, Inc. ("WBN"). WBN requests special temporary authority ("STA") to operate station WXVW(AM) from an alternate site location.¹

In support of the request, WBN states that the lease for the WXVW(AM) licensed transmitter site has been terminated as the property owner intends to develop the site for other use. Therefore, the station needs to operate from a different site location.

Specifically, WXVW(AM) requests STA to relocate to the WGTK(AM) site which is located 1.67 miles (2.68 kilometers) from its licensed site. A non-directional operation is requested with a daytime and nighttime power of 0.25 kilowatt. STA operation is proposed from one of the existing towers (ASRN: 1054732) in the WGTK(AM) array. In addition, concurrently with this STA request, WXVW(AM) is filing a 301-AM Application for Construction Permit to modify its licensed facilities to diplex operation with commonly owned WGTK(AM).

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 area² without extending it; (4) STA facilities cannot involve the construction of towers intended for permanent use by the station requesting the STA.

Accordingly, the request for STA is GRANTED. **However, the station must limit its non-directional power to 50 watts** in order to maintain the licensed service area with de minimis extension. Station WXVW(AM) may operate with the following facilities:

¹ WXVW(AM) is licensed for operation on 1450 kHz with a daytime power and nighttime power of 1 kilowatt, employing a non-directional antenna pattern (ND1-U). The station is also authorized by construction permit to operate on 1450 kHz with a daytime and nighttime power of 0.64 kilowatt, employing a non-directional antenna pattern (ND2-U) from a different site location.

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

Geographic coordinates	38° 19' 06" N, 85° 44' 42" W (NAD 1983)
Frequency	1450 kHz
Hours of operation	Daytime and Nighttime
Operating power	0.05 kilowatt (Daytime), 0.05 kilowatt (Nighttime)
Antenna type	Existing WGTK(AM) tower
ASRN	1054732
Electrical height of radiator	132.7°
Antenna Efficiency	334.05 mV/m per kW at 1 km

Simultaneous operation of stations WXVW(AM) and WGTK(AM) from the WGTK(AM) site shall not commence until sufficient diplexing equipment has been installed and properly adjusted to reduce all spurious emissions below the levels specified in 47 CFR Section 73.44(b). WBN shall also be responsible for handling all reasonable complaints of blanketing interference within the 1 V/m contour as required by Section 73.88 of the Commission's rules.

It will be necessary to further reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received. WXVW(AM) must notify the Commission when licensed operation is restored. WXVW(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 **October 28, 2024**.

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 black ink that reads "Jerome J. Manarchuck". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J" and a long, sweeping tail.

Jerome J. Manarchuck
Audio Division
Media Bureau

cc: Anthony T. Lepore, Esq. (via email only)
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