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Re: **KNOW-FM, Minneapolis-Saint Paul, Minnesota
Facility Identification Number : 42949
Minnesota Public Radio
Special Temporary Authorization**

Dear Mr. Stansbury:

This is in reference to your letter dated December 20, 2000, filed on behalf of Minnesota Public Radio (MPR). Extension is requested of the special temporary authority (STA) originally granted on July 20, 2000, to operate Station KNOW-FM with reduced antenna height.¹

In support of the request, MPR states that, as noted in its original request for STA, the KNOW-FM antenna had to be relocated because of the planned construction of a new digital television station. MPR states that the site owner has made a commitment to MPR to return KNOW-FM as promptly as possible to a new spot high on the current tower or on a neighboring tower. MPR further states that the parties are diligently working together towards a way to move KNOW-FM to a new high spot, that the move will affect numerous broadcasters and that, consequently, the coordination process is necessarily complex and will require additional time to complete.

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.

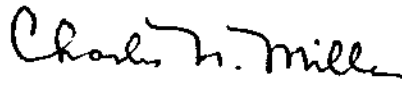
¹ KNOW-FM is licensed for operation on Channel 216 (91.1 MHz) with effective radiated power of 100 kilowatts (H&V) and antenna height of 400 meters above average terrain. The geographic coordinates of the licensed site are 45° 03' 44" NL, 93° 08' 21" WL (NAD 1927).

Our review indicates that the licensee has been prevented restoring licensed operation due to causes beyond its control. Thus, extension of STA is warranted.

Accordingly, the request for extension of STA IS HEREBY GRANTED. Station KNOW-FM may continue to operate at its licensed site with reduced power and/or antenna height. MPR 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 **September 13, 2001**.

Sincerely,



for Edward P. De La Hunt
Assistant Chief
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cc: Minnesota Public Radio