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

Dear Counsel:

This is in reference to your letter dated May 3, 2002 filed on behalf of Minnesota Public Radio (MPR). A third 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 provides a report of its progress toward restoring licensed operation to Station KNOW-FM following the relocation of its antenna to a lower position on the licensed tower due to digital television construction at the site. MPR 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 requires additional time to complete. MPR further states that required structural changes to the tower have slowed the progress towards moving the KNOW-FM antenna back to its licensed height.

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

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).

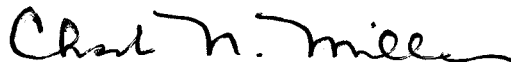
- No progress has been made during the most recent STA period for reasons clearly beyond the licensee's control, and the licensee has taken all possible steps to expeditiously resolve the problem.

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 **February 26, 2003**.

Sincerely,



for Edward P. De La Hunt, Associate Chief
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Office of Broadcast License Policy
Media Bureau

cc: Minnesota Public Radio