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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Magalie Roman Salas, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
The Portals
445 Twelfth Street SW
Washington DC 20554

Re: WSCN (FM), Cloquet, MN, Facility ID# 42975
Minnesota Public Radio
Request for Extension of Special Temporary Authority

Dear Ms. Salas:

On behalf of Minnesota Public Radio ("MPR"), licensee of WSCN (FM), Cloquet, Minnesota, this is to request extension of the special temporary authority ("STA") to operate the station with reduced power. MPR is a noncommercial educational entity, therefore, no fee is required for this filing. An Anti-Drug Abuse Act certification form is attached.

By letter filed with the Commission on April 14, 1999, MPR notified the FCC that WSCN had gone off the air due to damage sustained by a severe ice storm. As a result, MPR requested special temporary authority to operate from temporary emergency facilities. By letter filed with the Commission on June 21, 1999, MPR stated that WSCN's licensed antenna and tower had been partially repaired and braced, and that the station was operating from the damaged tower at 65% of its authorized power. In that letter, MPR also stated that the tower owner was planning to construct a new adjoining tower and to dismantle the current tower. The WSCN facilities would then move to the new tower and operate at full power.

By letter dated August 13, 1999, the Commission granted an STA to operate WSCN with an ERP reduced to 65% of its licensed level. The STA expires February 13, 2000.

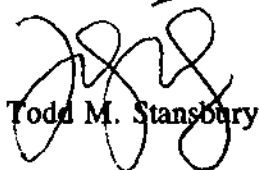
The tower owner has notified MPR that construction of the new tower has been delayed due in part to severe winter weather conditions in northern Minnesota. Accordingly, WSCN probably will not be able to operate at full power from the new tower until late February or early March 2000. Under these circumstances, MPR

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respectfully requests a three month extension of the STA to continue to operate WSCN at reduced power until such time as the station can be restored to full power.

Please contact this office if there are any questions.

Respectfully submitted,



Todd M. Stansbury

cc: Mitzi T Gramling

Exhibit

Anti-Drug Abuse Act Certification

The applicant certifies that, in the case of an individual applicant, he or she is not subject to a denial of federal benefits pursuant to Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988, 21 U.S.C. §853a, or, in the case of a non-individual applicant (eg corporation, partnership or other unincorporated association), no party to the application is subject to a denial of federal benefits pursuant to that section. For the definition of a "party" for these purposes, see 47 C.F.R. §1.2002 (b).

Yes [X]

No []

Minnesota Public Radio

Thomas J Kigin
Thomas J Kigin, Executive Vice President

February 7, 2000

Date