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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
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Marlene Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
236 Massachusetts Avenue, NE
Washington DC 20002

Re: Minnesota Public Radio (FRN 0002-6425-10)
K297AH, Winona, MN (Facility ID No. 42907)
Request for an Special Temporary Operations

Dear Ms Dortch:

By letter filed February 7, 2003, in accordance with 47 CFR 74.1263 (c), Minnesota Public Radio ("MPR"), licensee of K297AH, Winona, MN, informed the Commission that MPR temporarily reduced operations of K297AH on January 24, 2003. Originally this facility was operating at reduced power due to a parts failure at its primary station, KZSE-FM, but that problem has been resolved and K297AH continues to have operational problems. K297AH is currently operating at about 25% of its authorized power. We are not sure exactly what the problem is and therefore cannot immediately resolve the problem, but we are actively working on it and hope to bring this translator back up to full power soon.

MPR therefore anticipates that K297AH will be operating at less than its authorized power for more than thirty (30) days. Accordingly, MPR requests special temporary authority, for a period of up to six (6) months, to continue operations at less than authorized power.

An Anti-Drug Abuse Act certification form is attached. MPR is a noncommercial educational licensee, therefore, no fee is required for this filing.

Sincerely,

Mitzi T Gramling
Associate General Counsel

cc: Todd Stansbury, Esq (Wiley Rein & Fielding)

Exhibit

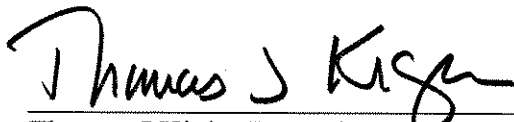
Anti-Drug Abuse Act Certification

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).

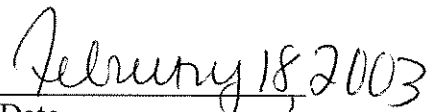
Yes [X]

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Minnesota Public Radio



Thomas J Kigin, Executive Vice President



Date