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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: MB Docket No. 03-15

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On behalf of LIN of New Mexico, LLC, licensee of Station KBIM-DT, Roswell, New Mexico (Facility ID No. 48566), this letter will confirm our understanding that KBIM-DT will not be required by July 1, 2006 to seek a waiver of the replication/maximization deadline, or to seek an extension of its Special Temporary Authority (“STA”) to continue operating through the end of the digital transition.

KBIM-DT is the digital facility of a licensed satellite station. In Paragraph 104 of the *DTV Second Periodic Review*,<sup>1/</sup> the Commission exempted all satellite stations from the requirement that they meet the replication/maximization deadline in order to retain interference protection. This was confirmed in the Commission’s June 14, 2006 *Public Notice*.<sup>2/</sup> KBIM-DT, therefore, will not be required to seek a waiver of the replication/maximization deadline.

In addition, it is our understanding that the Commission’s conclusions in the *DTV Second Periodic Review* also eliminate any requirement that KBIM-DT file for renewal or extension of its existing STA. The Commission decided that “all properly authorized operating DTV stations with authorized CPs to make changes to their licensed facilities . . . will have their CPs extended

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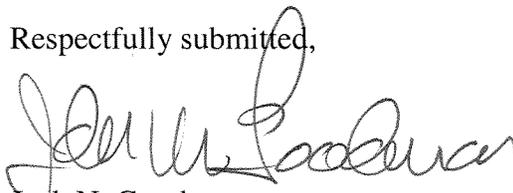
<sup>1/</sup> Report and Order, *Second Periodic Review of the Commission’s Rules and Policies Affecting the Conversion to Digital Television*, 19 FCC Rcd 18279, ¶ 104 (2004)(“*DTV Second Periodic Review*”).

<sup>2/</sup> Public Notice, *DTV Channel Election Issues – Compliance with the July 1, 2006 Replication/Maximization Interference Protection Deadline; Stations Seeking Extension of the Deadline*, MB Docket No. 03-15, DA 06-1255 (June 14, 2006) at 5-6.

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until the replication/maximization interference protection deadlines established in this order.”<sup>3/</sup>  
Since, as a satellite station, KBIM-DT’s replication/maximization deadline is the end of the digital transition, under the Commission’s decision, its current authorization has been extended until that time without further action by the station or the Commission.

If the Commission does not share in these understandings or if you have any questions concerning these matters, please contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,  
  
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cc. Clay Pendarvis

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<sup>3/</sup> *DTV Second Periodic Review* at n. 194.