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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 Twelfth Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

**Re: MB Docket No. 03-15  
WJFW-DT, Rhinelander, Wisconsin (Facility ID No. 49699)  
Supplemental Notification Concerning Replication/Maximization  
Interference Protection Deadline**

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Dear Ms. Dortch:

Northland Television, LLC (“Northland”), permittee of digital television (“DTV”) station WJFW-DT, Rhinelander, Wisconsin (Facility ID No. 49699) (the “Station”), hereby supplements its prior electronic filings in MB Docket 03-15 concerning the DTV replication/maximization interference protection deadline to report that WJFW-DT has commenced full-power operations pursuant to its construction permit.<sup>1</sup>

On May 26, 2006, due to tower problems precluding construction of WJFW-DT’s originally permitted facilities, Northland filed an application to modify the Station’s DTV construction permit (the “Modification Application”). The Commission granted the Modification Application on June 29, 2006 and issued a construction permit expiring on December 29, 2006 (the “Modified Permit”).<sup>2</sup> Accordingly, on July 7, 2006, Northland informed the Commission that WJFW-DT was not subject to the July 2006 DTV use-or-lose deadline and instead was required to satisfy the relevant replication/maximization requirements by the Modified Permit’s expiration

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<sup>1</sup> See FCC File No. BMPCDT-20060526AHM.

<sup>2</sup> See *id.*

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date.<sup>3</sup> Northland also filed an application to extend its special temporary authority (“STA”) to operate WJFW-DT at reduced power (the “STA Extension Request”).<sup>4</sup>

In July 2006, Northland expected that construction of its modified facilities would be completed by November 2006. However, due to unforeseen delays, Northland required additional time beyond November 2006 to complete installation and commence operation of its authorized full-power digital facilities. Therefore, on December 21, 2006, Northland filed a request for waiver of the replication/maximization interference protection deadline applicable to WJFW-TV (the “Waiver Request”).<sup>5</sup> Northland concurrently filed an FCC Form 337 application seeking an extension of time to construct the facilities specified in the Modified Permit (the “CP Extension Request”)<sup>6</sup> and amended the STA Extension Request.<sup>7</sup>

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<sup>3</sup> See *Withdrawal of Request for Waiver*, MB Docket No. 03-15, submitted July 7, 2006 (the “July 7, 2006 Filing”); Public Notice, *DTV Channel Election Issues – Compliance with the July 1, 2006 Replication/Maximization Interference Protection Deadline; Stations Seeking Extension of the Deadline*, DA 06-1255 (rel. June 14, 2006) at 3; *Second Periodic Review Report and Order, Second Periodic Review of the Commission’s Rules and Regulations Concerning the Transition to Digital Television*, MB Docket No. 03-15, FCC 04-192 (rel. Sept. 7, 2004) ¶ 84.

For completeness, it should be noted that Northland originally requested a waiver of the Commission’s July 2006 replication/maximization interference protection deadline. See *Request for Waiver*, MB Docket No. 03-15, submitted July 3, 2006. On the date of that filing, CDBS indicated that the Modification Application was still pending, and Northland was unaware that it been granted a few days earlier. The July 7, 2006 Filing withdrew the unnecessary waiver request.

<sup>4</sup> See FCC File No. BEDSTA-20060703ACV.

<sup>5</sup> See *Request for Waiver*, MB Docket No. 03-15, submitted Dec. 21, 2006.

<sup>6</sup> See FCC File No. BEPCDT-20061221ACE.

<sup>7</sup> See *Supplement to Request for Extension of Existing Engineering Special Temporary Authority*, submitted Dec. 21, 2006.



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WJFW-DT commenced broadcast operations with the facilities specified in the Modified Permit on February 12, 2007, and Northland has filed a license application to cover these facilities.<sup>8</sup> Accordingly, Northland respectfully requests that the Commission continue to afford full interference protection to the facilities specified in the Modified Permit. In addition, Northland requests that the Commission dismiss the Waiver Request, which is no longer necessary. Finally, Northland will seek dismissal of the STA Extension Request and the CP Extension Request, both of which are now moot.

If there are any questions concerning this matter, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

          /s/ John M. Burgett          

John M. Burgett

cc (by email): Shaun Maher

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<sup>8</sup> See CDBS Ref. No. 20070222AOP.