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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Attention Media Bureau Federal Communications Commission 45 L Street, N.E. Washington, D.C. 20554

## Re: Sovereign Communications, LLC Request for Extension of Consummation FRN: 0008925539

Dear Ms. Dortch:

This letter is submitted on behalf of Sovereign Communications, LLC, in connection with its application to assign the licenses of six stations to AMC Partners Escanaba, LLC (BAL-20200123AAD). The parties hereby request an extension of the period for consummation of the transactions underlying the assignment. The required Anti-Drug Abuse Act Certification is attached.

Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned if there are any questions concerning this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Sally A. Buckman Counsel to Sovereign Communications, LLC

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## Request for Extension of Consummation

Sovereign Communications, LLC ("Sovereign"), the assignor, hereby requests an extension of the period for consummation of the transaction underlying the assignment of the licenses reflected in assignment application BAL-20200124AAD. As noted in prior extension requests, to consummate the transactions, it is necessary for Sovereign to obtain the release of certain liens on the assets being sold. Sovereign has spent several months working with taxing authorities and its lender to secure the release of these liens. Because of quarantine orders and work from home restrictions imposed as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, the process has taken much longer than anticipated. However, Sovereign's efforts with respect to the federal tax liens were successful and those liens were recently released. Sovereign is continuing to work on securing a few additional lien releases and is coordinating with the Buyer to complete other matters that need to be resolved prior to closing. Sovereign anticipates that the transactions will be consummated prior to the end of the first quarter of 2022.

All of the information set forth in the above-referenced applications (as amended) remains accurate.

## **Anti-Drug Abuse Act Certification**

Answer YES if all parties to the application are in compliance with Section 5301 of the *Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988*, 21 U.S.C. Section 862, the federal law which provides federal and state court judges the discretion to deny federal benefits to individuals convicted of offenses consisting of the distribution of controlled substances. For a definition of "party" for these purposes, see 47 C.F.R. Section 1.2002(b). *See also Amendment of Part I of the Commission's Rules to Implement Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988*, 6 FCC Rcd 7551, 57 Fed. Reg. 00186 (1991).

\_\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_YES NO \_\_\_\_\_

By checking yes, the applicant certifies that, in the case of an individual applicant, he or she is not subject to a denial of federal benefits that includes FCC benefits pursuant to Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988, 21 U.S.C. 862, or, in the case of a non-individual applicant (e.g., corporation, partnership or other unincorporated association), no party to the application is subject to a denial of federal benefits that includes FCC benefits pursuant to that section. For the definition of a party for these purposes, see 47 C.F.R. Section 1.2002(b).

I certify that the statements made in this application are true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, and are made in good faith.

Sovereign Communications, LLC Name of Applicant

02/10/2022

Signature and Date

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Printed Name of Person Signing

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