



Federal Communications Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20554  
May 10, 2022

John L. Hendrickson, President  
Flathead Valley Wireless Association LLC  
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Re: Flathead Valley Wireless Association LLC  
(FVM)  
KGEZ(AM), Kalispell, MT  
Facility Identification Number: 60575  
Special Temporary Authority (STA)  
BESTA-20220502AAG

Dear Mr. Hendrickson:

This is in reference to the request filed on May 2, 2022. FVW requests a further extension of the STA granted on August 16, 2018, as last modified on November 5, 2022, to operate from an alternate site to allow time to file the required FCC Form 301 application.<sup>1</sup> In support of the request, FVW stated additional time will be needed to file the application to propose a permanent facility at a new transmitter site due to loss of the licensed site.

Requests for extension of STA will be granted only where the licensee can show that one or more of the following criteria have been met:

- Restoration of licensed facilities is complete and testing is underway;
- Substantial progress has been made during the most recent STA period toward restoration of licensed operation; or
- No progress has been made during the most recent STA period for reasons clearly beyond the licensee's control, and the licensee has taken all possible steps to expeditiously resolve the problem.

Accordingly, the request for extension of the STA IS HEREBY GRANTED, and FVW may continue to operate using the following facilities:

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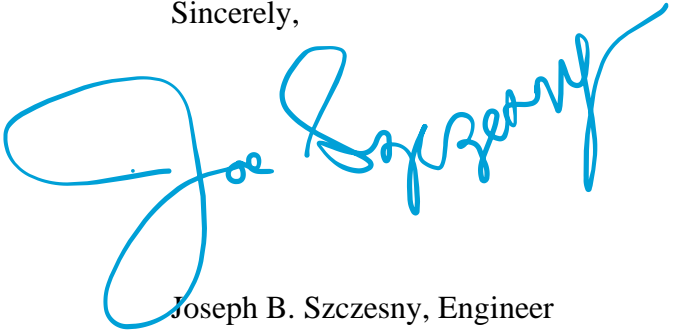
<sup>1</sup> KGEZ(AM) is licensed for DA operation on 600 kHz with 5 kW day and 1 kW night, using different patterns.

Geographic coordinates	48° 09' 43" N, 114° 07' 59" W (NAD 1927)
Frequency	600 kHz
Hours of operation	Day and Night
Operating power	0.14 kilowatt (Day and Night)
Antenna type	Information Station Specialists Model HPR.0990
Antenna efficiency	60 mV/m/kW at 1 km

FVW must reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received, and use whatever means are necessary to protect workers and the public from exposure to radio frequency radiation in excess of the Commission's exposure guidelines. *See* 47 CFR §1.1310.

This authority expires on **November 9, 2022**.

Sincerely,



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