

Federal Communications Commission Washington, D.C. 20554

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IHM Licenses, LLC 7136 S Yale Ave. Suite 501 Tulsa, OK 74136

> Re: IHM Licenses, LLC KXYZ(AM), Houston, TX Fac. ID No.:95 Special Temporary Authority

Dear Applicant:

This is in reference to the request filed May 17, 2022 on behalf of IHM Licenses, LLC ("IHM") and granted on June 7, 2022. This STA grant letter is being reissued to allow KXYZ(AM) more time to submit spurious emission measurements.

IHM requested special temporary authority ("STA") to operate station KXYZ(AM) from the site of co-owned station KMBE(AM). Specifically, KXYZ(AM) requested non-directional operation from its authorized construction permit (BP-20200917AAN) site and an STA was granted for operation with the facilities listed below.

Geographic coordinates	29° 54′ 56″ N, 95° 27′ 42″ W (NAD 1927)
Frequency	1320 kHz
Hours of operation	Daytime and Nighttime
Operating power	8.4 kilowatts (Daytime), 0.7 kilowatt (Nighttime)
Antenna type	Either tower #7 or #8 of existing KMBE(AM) array
Overall height above ground	103.5 meters (340 feet)
Electrical height of radiator	164.1°
Antenna Efficiency	361.6 mV/m per kW at 1 km

In addition, the station also requested and was granted authority to operate with substantially adjusted parameters following completion of construction. The STA grant letter stated that simultaneous operation of stations KXYZ(AM), KPRC(AM) and KMBE(AM) from the KMBE(AM) site shall not commence until sufficient diplexing equipment has been installed and properly adjusted to reduce all spurious emissions below the levels specified in 47 CFR Section 73.44(b). Within 10 days after commencement of such operation, IHM must submit the results of measurements which demonstrate compliance with the above condition. In addition, a copy of a firm agreement of the three stations fixing the responsibility of each with regard to the installation and maintenance of such equipment shall be submitted with the results of the measurements. IHM shall also be responsible for handling all reasonable complaints of blanketing interference within the 1 V/m contour as required by Section 73.88 of the

## Commission's rules.

However, a consulting engineer working on the buildout of the facility has reached out to us and stated that they are getting ready to move the transmitters and operate from the authorized site full-time with the Method of Moment (MoM) adjusted parameters. He further states that both KPRC(AM) and KXYZ(AM) have been adjusted to the MoM parameters but the spurious emission measurements can not be performed until the transmitters are in place and the KBME(AM) adjustments have been completed. The 10 days provided for on the STAs does not allow sufficient time to complete the tasks and thus more time is necessary.

Based on his request, we are allowing more time for the spurious emissions measurements to be made. Specifically, within 60 days after commencement of operation, IHM must submit the results of measuements which demonstrate compliance with Section 73.44(b). It will be necessary to further reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received. KXYZ(AM) must notify the Commission when licensed operation is restored. KXYZ(AM) must 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 December 4, 2022.

**STA Advisory:** Section 309(f) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, authorizes the Commission to grant STA in cases of "extraordinary circumstances requiring temporary authorizations in the public interest and when delay in the institution of the temporary operations would seriously prejudice the public interest." However, Section 309(f) is not a means by which a licensee/permittee may circumvent established processing procedures which require the filing of an application, nor is it a means by which a broadcaster may enhance his facility or make operation more convenient for the broadcaster. Stations operating with less than licensed facilities under temporary authorities can be viewed as receiving the benefit of a larger protection area than that in which they are currently providing service.

Accordingly, Special Temporary Authorities by nature are to be temporary and are not intended for extended use. Licensees of stations operating under temporary authorities are reminded that timely restoration of permanent facilities is the responsibility of the licensee and should be undertaken expeditiously. Any request for extension of special temporary authorities carries an increased burden with each subsequent request.

Therefore, 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.

Sincerely,

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