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## VIA E-MAIL (AUDIOFILINGS@FCC.GOV)

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
45 L Street NE  
Washington, DC 20554  
ATTN: Media Bureau, Audio Services Division

Re: **Request for Engineering STA**  
Pharis Broadcasting, Inc. (FRN No. 0003765443)  
KFPW, Ft. Smith, AR, Facility ID # 23868

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pharis Broadcasting, Inc. (“Pharis”), licensee of AM radio station KFPW, Ft. Smith, Arkansas, and pursuant to Section 73.1635 of the FCC’s rules, hereby requests Special Temporary Authorization (“STA”) to operate the station at reduced power using a temporary backup transmitter pending necessary repairs caused by a technical issue beyond its control. No other technical changes have occurred.

The station experienced complete failure of its licensed transmitter and began been operating at the reduced power of 30 watts with a temporary backup transmitter on [August 23, 2022]. The station’s contract engineer is investigating the situation and working to determine the cause of the transmitter failure. Given its age, however, the manufacturer no longer supports the licensed transmitter model, and acquiring replacement parts is expected to be a difficult and lengthy undertaking. Once the cause of the transmitter failure is determined, Pharis will proceed with either repair or replacement as quickly as possible.

A grant of reduced power STA for 180 days will provide the time need to determine the cause of the transmitter failure, complete the necessary repairs or replacement, and will serve the public interest by allowing Pharis to maintain without interruption, the station’s current radio operation for its local community.

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Payment of the required filing fee will be submitted via CORES upon receipt of the associated application file number.

Please contact the undersigned if you require any additional information.

Sincerely,

/S/

Davina S. Sashkin  
Counsel for Pharis Broadcasting, Inc.

cc: James Bradshaw

**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 1 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).

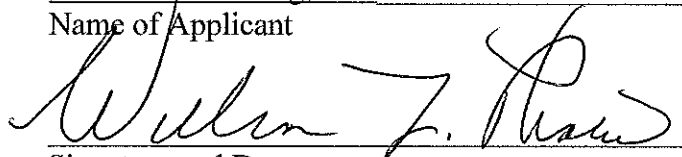
\_\_\_\_\_ **X** \_\_\_\_\_ YES NO \_\_\_\_\_

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.

Pharis Broadcasting, Inc.

Name of Applicant

 9-2-22

Signature and Date

William L. Pharis

Printed Name of Person Signing

Co-Owner

Title

KFPW, Request for Special Temporary Authority

Call Sign of Station and Type of Request (Special Temporary Authority, etc.)