



Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554
March 27, 2023

Dr. Laurie J. Campbell, President
Plymouth Rock Broadcasting Co. Inc.
17 Columbus Road
Plymouth, MA 02360

Re: Plymouth Rock Broadcasting Co. Inc. (PRB)
WPLM(AM), Plymouth, MA
Facility Identification Number: 52837
Special Temporary Authority (STA)
BESTA-20230317AAC

Dear Dr. Campbell:

This is in reference to the request filed on March 17, 2023. PRB requests a further extension of the STA granted on October 9, 2015, to continue operating day and night using the nighttime DA pattern with reduced power to allow time to complete extensive repairs and file the required FCC Form 302 application to update all operating parameters.¹ In support of the request, PRB states that additional time is needed to finish the remaining repairs, and then file the application.

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 PRB may continue to operate day and night with DA parameters at variance using the licensed nighttime directional antenna pattern with a maximum of 2.5 kW daytime, and a maximum of 5 kW nighttime, while maintaining all day and night monitor points within licensed maximums. PRB 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. PRB must submit a brief e-mail to my attention to note the date the FCC Form 302 application was filed to verify that no further STA operation will be needed.

¹ WPLM(AM)) is licensed for DA operation on 1390 kHz with 5 kW day and night, using different patterns.

This authority expires on **September 23, 2023.** ²

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Joe Szczesny". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Joe" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Szczesny".

Joseph Szczesny, Engineer
Audio Division
Media Bureau

cc: Susan A. Marshall, Esq., S&P (via email only)

²Periods of operation pursuant to this STA shall be recorded in the station's records (see 47 CFR § 73.1820). The records shall include start/stop dates and times of such operation. These log entries must be maintained for a minimum of two years as specified in 47 CFR § 73.1840(a), unless a longer retention period is requested by the staff. Periods of operation may be subject to independent verification that they in fact occurred.