



Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554
April 25, 2023

Richard S. Denning, EVP/GC
Cumulus Licensing LLC
780 Johnson Ferry Road, NW, Suite 500
Atlanta, GA 30342

Re: Cumulus Licensing LLC (Cumulus)
KIKR(AM), Beaumont, TX
Facility Identification Number: 52406
Special Temporary Authority (STA)
BESTA-20230411AAF

Dear Mr. Denning:

This is in reference to the request filed on April 11, 2023. Cumulus requests a further extension of the STA granted on January 23, 2017, to continue operating with a reduced power of 0.6 kW to allow time to tune its new antenna tuning unit.¹ In support of the request, Cumulus stated that additional time is needed before it can resume licensed operations.

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 Cumulus may continue to operate with parameters at variance and a reduced power of 0.6 kW. Cumulus 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. Cumulus must submit a brief e-mail to my attention to note the date an FCC Form 302 application was filed to update all engineering parameters, or to note the date the station was able to resume

¹ KIKR(AM) is licensed for ND operation on 1450 kHz with 1 kW (day and night).

licensed operations with negligible changes to all engineering parameters as shown on the last license BL-20170404AAU.

This authority expires on **October 22, 2023.** ²

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Joe Szczesny". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Joe" being particularly prominent.

Joseph B. Szczesny
Engineer
Audio Division
Media Bureau

cc: Mark N. Lipp, Esq., FHH PLC (via e-mail 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.