

## Federal Communications Commission Washington, D.C. 20554

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Hi-Favor Broadcasting, LLC 136 S. Oak Knoll Ave. Suite 202 Pasadena, CA 91101

Re: Hi-Favor Broadcasting, LLC KLTX(AM), Long Beach, CA Fac. ID No.: 58625
Special Temporary Authority

## Dear Applicant

This is in reference to the request filed May 17, 2023, on behalf of Hi-Favor Broadcasting, LLC ("HFB"). HFB requests special temporary authority ("STA") to operate station KLTX(AM) with parameters at variance from license values and/or reduced power. <sup>1</sup>

In support of the request, HFB states that it has entered into an agreement with Family Radio, Inc., the licensee of AM station KFRN(AM), to allow KFRN(AM) to diplex its operation into one of the three towers of the KLTX(AM) antenna system. KFRN(AM) has been granted authorization (BP-20221017AAD) to allow such operation. In order to implement the KFRN(AM) operation, it will be necessary for KLTX(AM) to operate non-directionally under special temporary authority, using either tower #1 or tower #2 of the KLTX(AM) array. Although KLTX(AM) is not the permittee making the facilities changes, the provisions of Section 73.1615(b)(3) are requested, allowing KLTX(AM) to operate with 1.25 kilowatts daytime on either tower 1 or 2, and nighttime with 1.0 kilowatt on tower 1 or 1.15 kilowatts on tower 2. This operation will allow KLTX(AM) to continue normal program operation while the antenna tuning units for the three towers are modified to allow the filters for diplexed operation to be installed, and to allow KFRN(AM) to commence operation using tower 1 of the KLTX(AM) array per the provisions of Section 73.1615(a)(2).

Accordingly, the request for STA IS HEREBY GRANTED. <sup>2</sup> Station KLTX(AM) may operate non-directionally under special temporary authority, using either tower #1 or tower #2 of the KLTX(AM) array. KLTX(AM) may operate with 1.25 kilowatts daytime on either tower 1 or 2, and nighttime with 1.0 kilowatt on tower 1 or 1.15 kilowatts on tower 2. It will be necessary to further reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received. The licensee

<sup>1</sup> KLTX(AM) is licensed for operation on 1390 kHz with a daytime power of 5 kilowatts and a nighttime power of 3.6 kilowatts, employing different directional antenna patterns (DA2-U).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Periods 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.

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 November 19, 2023.

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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