



Federal Communications Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20554  
June 20, 2023

Julia M. B. Gallardo, President  
Lares Broadcasting Corporation  
PO Box 872  
Lares, PR 00669

Re: Lares Broadcasting Corporation (LBC)  
WGDL(AM), Lares, PR  
Facility Identification Number: 36564  
Special Temporary Authority (STA)  
BESTA-20230518AAB

Dear Ms. Gallardo:

This is in reference to the request filed on May 18, 2023. LBC requests a further extension of the STA granted on November 22, 1991, to continue operating with the facilities specified in BP-19900326AD on 1200 kHz due to the unofficial change in the operating frequency of station HIBS, SP Macoris, Dominican Republic, from 1200 kHz to 670 kHz over 30 years ago.<sup>1</sup> In support of the request, we note that BP-19900326AD remains on hold because the FCC's Office of International Affairs staff has not received any official HIBS frequency change notice from the Dominican Republic.

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 LBC may continue to operate using the day and night parameters specified in BP-19900326AD. This authority is granted on the condition that LBC must resume licensed daytime only operation per BL-19860606AG if station HIBS is officially confirmed by the FCC's Office of International

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<sup>1</sup> WGDL(AM) is currently licensed for ND daytime-only operation on 1200 kHz with 0.25 kW. BP-19900326AD proposes a new nighttime 1 kW facility with increased daytime power of 1 kW.

Affairs staff to have resumed operations on 1200 kHz (which will result in the cancellation of this STA and the dismissal of BP-19900326AD).

This authority expires on **December 17, 2023**.<sup>2</sup>

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Joe Szczesny". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Joe" and last name "Szczesny" clearly legible.

Joseph Szczesny, Engineer  
Audio Division, Media Bureau

cc: Francisco R. Montero, Esq., FHH PLC (via e-mail only)

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<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.