



Federal Communications Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20554  
June 28, 2023

Troy G. Langham, VP TRA  
IHM Licenses, LLC  
7136 S. Yale Avenue, Suite 501  
Tulsa, OK 74136

Re: IHM Licenses (IHM)  
WAAX(AM), Gadsden, AL  
Facility Identification Number: 22996  
Special Temporary Authority (STA)  
BESTA-20230524AAB

Dear Mr. Langham:

This is in reference to the request filed on May 24, 2023. IHM requests a further extension of the STA granted on October 14, 2020, to continue operating ND at night with reduced power to allow time to file the required FCC Form 302 application.<sup>1</sup> In support of the request, IHM stated that additional time is needed to complete all remaining modifications/repairs in order to file the application to update all engineering parameters.

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 IHM may continue to operate ND at night using the daytime tower with a reduced power of 0.125 kW, with no changes to the daytime 5 kW ND operation. IHM must reduce the nighttime power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received, and use whatever means are necessary to protect workers and the public from exposure to radio frequency radiation in excess of the

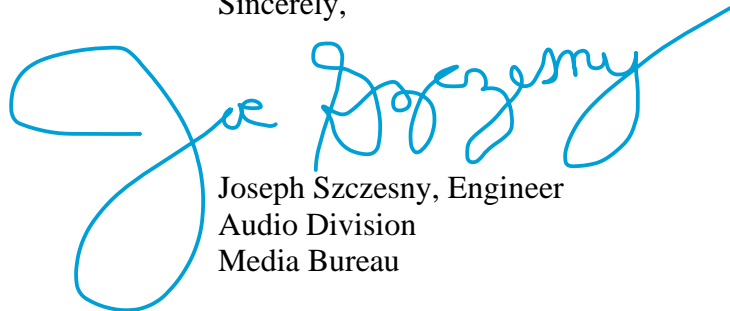
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<sup>1</sup> WAAX(AM) is licensed for operation on 570 kHz with 5 kW ND daytime, and 0.5 kW DA nighttime.

Commission's exposure guidelines. *See* 47 CFR § 1.1310.

This authority expires on **December 26, 2023.**<sup>2</sup>

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Joe Szczesny", with a large loop on the left side.

Joseph Szczesny, Engineer  
Audio Division  
Media Bureau

PS: Carrie Rimmer, IHM (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.