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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 9050 Junction Drive Annapolis Junction, MD 20701

> WIPR(AM), San Juan, Puerto Rico (Facility No. 53861) Re:

> > Puerto Rico Public Broadcasting Corporation (FRN 0005832233)

Request for Extension of Special Temporary Authority

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Puerto Rico Public Broadcasting Corporation ("PRPBC"), by its counsel, respectfully requests an extension of Special Temporary Authority ("STA") to continue to allow WIPR(AM), San Juan, Puerto Rico (Facility No. 53861) ("Station") to operate with parameters at variance.

The Station has been operating under a series of STAs from the transmitter site associated with station WKAQ(AM), San Juan, PR (Facility No. 190999) since 1998. PRPBC presently holds a construction permit to move the Station to a new site, owned by Uno Radio (BP-20200811AAQ) ("Construction Permit").

The Station has been broadcasting from the Uno Radio/Construction Permit site, with an effective radiated power of 1.5 kW during the day, and 0.95 kW at night, pursuant to STA (most recently extended on January 6, 2023 pursuant to File No. BESTA-20230104AAA). PRPBC previously reported that it was unable to file for a license to cover the Construction Permit because of: (a) intermodulation issues with a nearby AM station (WKVM, 810 kHz, San Juan, PR) that had to be rectified; and (b) the need to secure certain equipment in order to conduct the testing required by Condition #4 to the Construction Permit.

Recently, PRPBC secured a field intensity meter and took measurements to verify the occupied bandwidth and the radiated level of the intermodulation issue resulting from the mix of the Station's transmitter "second harmonic" with the WKVM signal. The measurements indicate that additional filtering is needed to reduce the amount of WKVM's signal that is reaching the Station's transmitter.

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PRPBC expects that, once the notch filter is installed, all intermod issues will be fixed. PRPBC has ordered the filter, and expects delivery by the end of August 2023 and installed in September 2023. After the filter installation, PRPBC's engineer will take a new set of field measurements to verify that the Station is in compliance with the Commission's rules on occupied bandwidth, harmonics level, and intermodulation products, then will take any additional corrections. If everything is acceptable, PRPBC intends to file for a license to cover the Construction Permit sometime in early November 2023, prior to the expiration date.

Until the license to cover application is filed, PRPBC respectfully requests extension of STA. Grant of this request is in the public interest because it will allow listeners in San Juan and the surrounding areas to continue to receive the Station's programming over the air until the Station is able to operate in full compliance with the terms of the Construction Permit.

PRPBC hereby certifies that neither it, nor any party thereto, is subject to a denial of federal benefits that includes FCC benefits pursuant to Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988, 21 U.S.C. § 862. Because the Station is licensed as non-commercial educational, there is no application processing fee associated with this request.

Sincerely,

Please direct any questions regarding this matter to the undersigned.

Mark B. Denbo

Counsel to Puerto Rico Public Broadcasting

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Joseph Szczesny/FCC (via e-mail)

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