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James Lawson, President Lawson of Tuscaloosa, Inc. PO Box 70427 601 Greensboro Ave., Suite 597 Tuscaloosa, AL 35407

> Re: Lawson of Tuscaloosa, Inc. (LTI) WMXB(AM), Tuscaloosa, AL Fac. ID No.: 68420 Special Temporary Authority (STA) BESTA-20230626AAA

Dear Mr. Lawson:

This is in reference to the request filed on June 26, 2023. LTI requests a further extension of the STA originally granted on February 1, 2022, as last modified on December 16, 2022, to continue operating with an Isotron AMB-400 antenna to allow time to file the required FCC Form 301 application (due to loss of the licensed site over a year ago).<sup>1</sup> In support of the request, LTI stated that additional time will be needed to identify a new site and file the application to propose a new permanent facility.

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 LTI may continue to operate with the following facilities:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> WMXB(AM) is licensed for operation on 1280 kHz with 5 kW day (ND) and 0.5 kW (DA).

Geographic coordinates Frequency Hours of operation Operating power Antenna type 33° 11′ 28″ N, 87° 31′ 41″ W (NAD 1927) 1280 kHz Daytime only 0.1 kW (Daytime) Isotron AMB-400 antenna mounted on a tower on the side of building

LTI must reduce 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 Commission's exposure guidelines. See 47 CFR §1.1310.

This authority expires on January 3, 2024.<sup>2</sup>

Sincerely,

Joseph Szczesny, Engineer Audio Division Media Bureau

cc: Dan J. Alpert, Esq. (via e-mail only)

<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.