

Federal Communications Commission Washington, D.C. 20554	Approved by OMB 3060-0386 (July 2002)	FOR FCC USE ONLY
Extension of Existing Engineering STA		FOR COMMISSION USE ONLY FILE NO.
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Section I - General Information

1. Legal Name of the Applicant FAMILY STATIONS, INC.		
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FCC Registration No 0001545607	Call Sign KECR	Facility ID Number 20977
2. Contact Representative (if other than licensee/permittee) KATHLEEN VICTORY, ESQ.		Firm or Company Name FLETCHER, HEALD & HILDRETH, P.L.C.
Mailing Address 1300 NORTH 17TH STREET 11TH FLOOR		
City ARLINGTON	State or Country (if foreign address) VA	ZIP Code 22209 -
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3. Purpose: <input type="radio"/> Engineering STA <input checked="" type="radio"/> Extension of Existing Engineering STA File Number: BSTA - 20200514AAC <input type="radio"/> Legal STA <input type="radio"/> Extension of Existing Legal STA		
4. Service: AM		
5. Community of License: City: EL CAJON State: CA		
6. If this application has been submitted without a fee, indicate reason for fee exemption (see 47 C.F.R. Section 1.1114): <input type="radio"/> Governmental Entity <input checked="" type="radio"/> Noncommercial Educational Licensee/Permittee <input type="radio"/> Other <input type="radio"/> N/A (Fee Required)		
7. Environmental Protection Act. The proposed facility is excluded from environmental processing under 47. C.F.R. Section 1.1306 (i.e., The facility will not have a significant environmental impact and complies with the maximum permissible radiofrequency electromagnetic exposure limits for controlled and uncontrolled environments). Unless the applicant can determine compliance through the use of the RF worksheets in Appendix A, an Exhibit is required. By checking "Yes" above, the applicant also certifies that it, in coordination with other users of the site, will reduce power or cease operation as necessary to protect persons having access to the site, tower or antenna from radiofrequency electromagnetic exposure in excess of FCC guidelines.		<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No See Explanation in [Exhibit 33]

8. Please explain in detail the “extraordinary circumstances which warrant temporary operations at variance from the Commission’s Rules. In addition, please specify 1) the specific rules and/or policies from which the applicant seeks temporary relief; 2) how the public interest will be furthered by the grant; and 3) the expected duration of the STA and the licensee’s plan for restoration of licensed operation. If requesting variance with other than authorized technical facilities, please specify the exact facilities sought.	Exhibit 34
9. Anti-Drug Abuse Act Certification. Applicant certifies that neither applicant nor any party to the application is subject to denial of federal benefits pursuant to Section 5301 or the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988, 21 U.S.C. Section 862.	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No

I hereby certify that the statements in this application are true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, and are made in good faith. I acknowledge that all certifications and attached Exhibits are considered material representations.

Typed or Printed Name of Person Signing THOMAS EVANS	Typed or Printed Title of Person Signing PRESIDENT
Signature	Date (mm/dd/yyyy) 07/12/2023

WILLFUL FALSE STATEMENTS ON THIS FORM ARE PUNISHABLE BY FINE AND/OR IMPRISONMENT (U.S. CODE, TITLE 18, SECTION 1001), AND/OR REVOCATION OF ANY STATION LICENSE OR CONSTRUCTION PERMIT (U.S. CODE, TITLE 47, SECTION 312 (a)(1), AND/OR FORFEITURE (U.S. CODE TITLE 47, SECTION 503).

EXHIBITS

EXHIBIT 33

Description: KECR (AM) EL CAJON, - ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION EXHIBIT 33

THE OPERATION OF KECR AM, AS PROPOSED UNDER THIS STA REQUEST, WILL NOT HAVE A SIGNIFICANT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT AND COMPLIES WITH THE MAXIMUM PERMISSABLE RADIO FREQUENCY ELECTROMAGNETIC EXPOSURE LIMITS FOR CONTROLLED AND UNCONTROLLED ENVIRONMENTS.

THE LICENSEE OF KECR ALSO CERTIFIES THAT IT, IN COORDINATION WITH OTHER POTENTIAL USERS OF THE RELEVANT SITE, WILL REDUCE POWER OR CEASE OPERATION AS NECESSARY TO PROTECT PERSONS HAVING ACCESS TO THE SITE, TOWER, OR ANTENNA FROM RADIO FREQUENCY ELECTROMAGNETIC EXPOSURE IN EXCESS OF FCC GUIDELINES.

ATTACHMENT 33

EXHIBIT 34

Description: KECR ENGINEERING STA EXTENSION REQUEST – EXHIBIT 34

AS STATED IN THE ORIGINAL ENGINEERING SPECIAL TEMPORARY AUTHORITY (STA) APPLICATION (BSTA-20200514AAC, ATTACHED), KECR HAS BEEN OPERATING AT REDUCED POWER DUE TO A FAILURE IN ITS DIRECTIONAL ANTENNA SWITCHING SYSTEM, RESULTING IN SEVERAL BURNED CONTACTOR SOLENOIDS WHICH PREVENT KECR FROM AUTOMATICALLY SWITCHING BETWEEN DAY AND NIGHT MODES. ON 4/13/2020, THE STATION WAS MANUALLY PLACED IN NIGHT MODE AND CONTINUES TO OPERATE IN THAT MODE, AT ABOUT 36% OF AUTHORIZED POWER DURING DAYTIME HOURS (1,870 WATTS).

ITS LICENSEE, FAMILY STATIONS, INC. (FSI) GAVE THE COMMISSION NOTICE OF ITS LOW POWER STATUS IN A LETTER DATED 04/23/2020 AS REPAIRS WERE UNDERWAY OF THE DAMAGED EQUIPMENT. FSI

REQUESTED AN ENGINEERING STA TO CONTINUOUSLY OPERATE IN NIGHT MODE AT ABOUT 36% POWER AND WAS GRANTED SUCH ON 5/19/2020 (BSTA-20200514AAC).

VERY DRY CONDITIONS IN THE AREA THEN PREVENTED ITS LOCAL ENGINEER FROM SAFELY ACCESSING THE SITE WITHOUT POTENTIAL OF SPARKING A WILDFIRE. BRUSH CLEARING WAS COMPLETED IN OCTOBER 2020 AND AS SOON AS CONDITIONS WERE CONDUCIVE TO ACCESS THE SITE, REPAIRS RESUMED BUT WERE NOT COMPLETED. THE LICENSEE REQUESTED AN EXTENSION OF ITS STA AND WAS GRANTED SUCH ON 12/7/2020 (BESTA-20201112AAU).

REPAIRS WERE MADE TO THE INDIVIDUAL TOWER SWITCHING COMPONENTS. ADDITIONAL PROBLEMS WERE DISCOVERED, POSSIBLY RODENT DAMAGE, IN THE CONTROL/TALLY WIRING OF THE TOWERS. THE LICENSEE WAS WORKING ON A SOLUTION TO RESTORE THE WIRING WHEN IT REQUESTED ANOTHER EXTENSION OF ITS STA AND WAS GRANTED BESTA-20210604AAP ON 6/28/2021.

THE LICENSEE WAS WORKING ON A SOLUTION TO RESTORE THE WIRING WHEN IT REQUESTED COMMISSION GRANT OF AN EXTENSION OF ITS ENGINEERING STA AND WAS GRANTED AN EXTENSION (BESTA-20220103AAK) ON 1/12/2022.

DETERMINING THAT THE BASIC PROBLEM WAS WITH THE MODE SWITCHING SYSTEM AND WITH REPAIRS CURRENTLY UNDERWAY TO RESTORE EFFECTIVE WIRING TO A SINGLE TOWER IN THE DAY ARRAY, FSI REQUESTED ANOTHER EXTENSION ON JULY 7, 2022, AND WAS GRANTED SUCH ON JULY 13, 2022 (BESTA-20220711AAD).

TRENCHING, CONDUIT, NEW POWER LINES, AND CONTROL CABLE WERE RUN TO THE AFFECTED TOWER. HOWEVER, A STORM CAUSED A SHORT IN THE CONTROL CIRCUITRY AT ANOTHER TOWER AND REPAIRS WERE UNDERWAY ON THAT ALSO. WEATHER AND MUDDY CONDITIONS WERE HINDERING COMPLETION OF REPAIRS ON BOTH THE ORIGINALLY AFFECTED TOWER AND THIS NEW PROBLEM. FSI ESTIMATED THAT IT WOULD TAKE SEVERAL MORE WEEKS, WEATHER PERMITTING, TO OBTAIN PARTS, COMPLETE REPAIRS, AND TEST THE CIRCUITS WHEN IT REQUESTED AND WAS GRANTED ANOTHER EXTENSION ON JANUAYR 13, 2023 (BESTA-20230111AAB).

SINCE THE LAST ENGINEERING STA EXTENSION GRANTED BY THE COMMISSION, ALL TOWER WIRING REPAIRS HAVE BEEN COMPLETED, AS WELL AS ALL RELAYS IN THE CONTROLLER HAVE BEEN TESTED AND REPLACED AS NEEDED. HOWEVER, AN ISSUE WITH CHANGING OF MODES PERSISTS AND THE ENGINEER CONTINUES TO TROUBLESHOOT. IN THE INTERIM, FSI RESPECTFULLY REQUESTS ANOTHER EXTENSION OF THE ORIGINAL ENGINEERING STA (BSTA-20200514AAC) TO OPERATE KECR AT REDUCED DAYTIME POWER TO ALLOW THE STATION TO CONTINUE TO PROVIDE SERVICE TO THE EL CAJON COMMUNITY WITH MINIMAL IMPACT.
