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Re: WIPR(AM), San Juan, PR
Facility Identification Number: 53861
Puerto Rico Public Broadcasting Corporation
Special Temporary Authority (STA)
BESTA-20121109AAN

Dear Mr. Liberman:

This is in reference to the request filed on November 9, 2012, on behalf of the Puerto Rico Public Broadcasting Corporation (PRPBC). PRPBC requests further extension of the STA originally granted on September 28, 1998, for operation from the site of Station WKAQ.¹ In support of the request, PRPBC states that the antenna system was destroyed by a hurricane in 1998 and PRPBC is moving forward with a proposed facility at another site (due to environmental problems with the licensed site).

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.

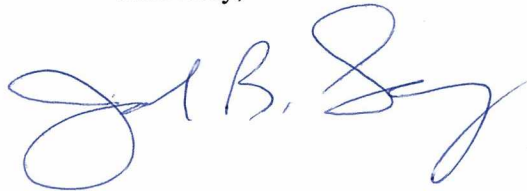
Our review indicates that the licensee has been prevented from restoring licensed operation due to causes beyond its control and has taken steps to resolve the problem. Thus, extension of STA is warranted.

¹ Station WIPR is authorized for operation on 940 kilohertz with 10 kilowatts, unlimited hours, employing a two-tower directional antenna (DA-1-U). Station WKAQ is authorized for operation on 580 kilohertz with 10 kilowatts, unlimited hours, employing a two-tower directional antenna (DA-1-U).

Accordingly, the request for extension of STA IS HEREBY GRANTED. Station WIPR may continue to operate from the WKAQ site with a nondirectional antenna, with 10 kilowatts daytime and 2.5 kilowatts nighttime. It will be necessary to further reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received. PRPBC must 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 **June 12, 2013**. Failure to file an FCC Form 301 application to propose a facility at a new site before this expiration date may result in denial of any further requests for extension.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "J.B. Szczesny". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end.

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