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John C. Trent, Esq. Putbrese Hunsaker & Trent, P.C. 200 South Church Street Woodstock, Virginia 22664

Re:

WSPO(AM), Charleston, South Carolina

Facility Identification Number: 60038

Apex Broadcasting, Inc. (API)

Special Temporary Authorization (STA)

BESTA-20121119AJD

Dear Mr. Trent:

This is in reference to the request filed on November 19, 2012. API requests further extension of the STA granted on June 18, 2009, to operate Station WSPO with a temporary nondirectional antenna and reduced power<sup>1</sup>. In support of the request, Apex states that the final work is now being completed regarding the diplexing equipment and tower replacement.

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 STA IS HEREBY GRANTED. Station WSPO may continue to operate with parameters at variance and/or reduced power while maintaining monitor points within licensed limits. Operation also is authorized with a temporary nondirectional antenna and reduced power not to exceed 5 kilowatts daytime and 1.25 kilowatts nighttime, only as necessary to facilitate the work. It will be necessary to further reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received. Apex must notify the Commission

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> WSPO is licensed for operation on 1390 kHz with 5 kilowatts daytime and 5 kilowatts nighttime, employing a directional antenna during nighttime hours only (DA-N-U).

when licensed operation is restored.<sup>2</sup> Apex 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 28, 2013.

Sincerely,

Joseph B. Szczesny

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cc: G. Dean Pearce

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See 47 CFR §§ 73.45(c), 73.51, 73.54, 73.61(b).