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> Re: Holston Valley Broadcasting Corporation (HVBC) WOPI (AM), Bristol, Tennessee Facility Identification Number: 31405 Special Temporary Authority (STA) BESTA-20121217AAE

Dear Counsel:

This is in reference to the request filed December 17, 2012. HVBC requests extension of the STA granted on June 18, 2012, to operate with reduced power.¹ In support of the request, HVBC states that a new transmitter should be installed soon to allow the station to return to full power licensed operations.

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 STA IS HEREBY GRANTED. Station WOPI may continue to operate with reduced power. It will be necessary to further reduce power or cease operation if

¹ WOPI is licensed for operation on 1490 kHz with 1 kilowatt daytime and 1 kilowatt nighttime, employing a nondirectional antenna (ND-1-U).

complaints of interference are received. HVBC must notify the Commission when licensed operation is restored.² HVBC 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 August 19, 2013.

Sincerely,

Joseph Szczesny, Engineer Audio Division Media Bureau

cc: Holston Valley Broadcasting Corporation