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Re: KTSA (AM), San Antonio, Texas

Facility Identification Number: 71087

BMP San Antonio License Company, L.P. (BMP)

Special Temporary Authority (STA)

BESTA-20121214AAI

Dear Counsel:

This is in reference to the request filed December 14, 2012. BMP requests extension of the STA granted on June 12, 2012, to operate Station KTSA during nighttime hours with parameters at variance from licensed values and/or reduced power while maintaining monitor points within licensed limits, and with a temporary nondirectional antenna and reduced power. In support of the request, we note that BMP filed an FCC Form 302 license application (BMML-20130208ABX) which remains pending at this time.

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.

We note that the previous STA expired on December 12, 2012. Our review indicates that the circumstances presented warrant grant of STA in order to provide for service to the public, and that the requested STA facilities are the same as were previously authorized. However, in light of the lapse of time between the expiration of the prior STA and the filing of the instant

¹ KTSA is licensed for operation on 550 kHz with 5 kilowatts, unlimited hours, employing a directional antenna during nighttime hours only (DA-N-U).

request, it will be considered as a request for a new STA; the authority granted will not cover the period between the expiration of the prior STA and the filing of the instant request.

Our review indicates that the proposed operation complies with the technical provisions of Section 73.1615, which governs operation during modification of facilities. Accordingly, the request for STA IS HEREBY GRANTED. Station KTSA may operate during nighttime hours with directional antenna parameters at variance from licensed values and/or reduced power while maintaining monitor points within licensed limits. Operation during nighttime hours with a temporary nondirectional antenna and reduced power not to exceed 1.25 kilowatts also is authorized, only as necessary to facilitate the planned construction work. It will be necessary to further reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received. BMP must notify the Commission when licensed operation is restored.² BMP 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. The authority granted herein does not cover the period between December 12 and December 14, 2012, and is without prejudice as to whatever action the Commission may take with respect to operation of Station KTSA during the foregoing period.

This authority expires on September 19, 2013.

Sincerely,

Joseph Szczesny, Engineer Audio Division

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cc: BMP San Antonio License Company, L.P.

² See 47 CFR §§ 73.45(c), 73.51, 73.54, 73.61(b).