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Re: WEGA (AM), Vega Baja, Puerto Rico
Facility Identification Number: 69853
A Radio Company, Inc. (ARC)
Special Temporary Authority (STA)
BESTA-20131209XGH

Dear Ms. Rasmussen:

This is in reference to the request filed on December 9, 2013. ARC requests extension of the STA granted on May 18, 2012, to operate Station WEGA with emergency antenna facilities pursuant to Section 73.1680.¹ In support of the request, ARC stated in the January 13, 2014, amendment that all repairs to the antenna system were not completed in the past six months due to swampy site conditions, crocodiles at the site, and theft of materials.

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.

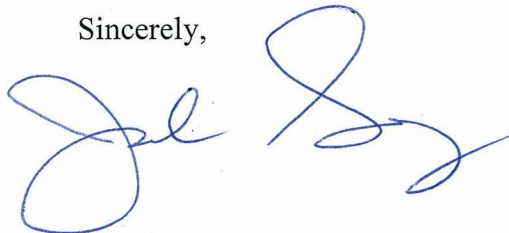
Accordingly, the request for extension of STA IS HEREBY GRANTED. Station WEGA may continue to operate with an emergency non-directional antenna and reduced power not to

¹ WEGA is licensed for directional operation on 1350 kHz with 2.5 kW (day and night).

exceed 0.625 kilowatt. It will be necessary to further reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received. ARC must notify the Commission when licensed operation is restored.² ARC 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. It is anticipated that ARC will resume licensed operations before the expiration date shown below, or submit a list of all remaining equipment problems and necessary repairs that are needed in order to justify any further extension.

This authority expires on **July 14, 2014**.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Joe S', with a large loop at the end.

Joseph Szczesny, Engineer
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cc: Gerardo Angulo, ARC

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