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January 13, 2014

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Re: WIPR(AM), San Juan, PR
Facility Identification Number: 53861
Puerto Rico Public Broadcasting Corporation
(PRPBC)
Special Temporary Authority (STA)
BESTA- 20131213ADS

Dear Mr. Liberman:

This is in reference to the request filed on December 13, 2013. PRPBC requests further extension of the STA originally granted on September 28, 1998, for operation from the site of station WKAQ(AM) due to destruction of the licensed site facility in a hurricane.¹ In support of the request, PRPBC states that it continues to consider the options of restoring licensed site operations or relocating to a new permanent 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.

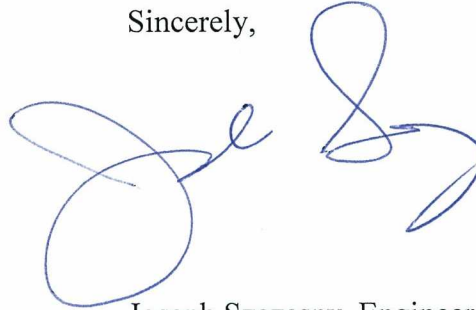
¹ Station WIPR (940 kHz) and station WKAQ (580 kHz) are both authorized for directional operation with 10 kW unlimited hours.

A review of the request indicates that PRPBC has been unable to resume licensed site operations since 1998, therefore that option no longer appears to be viable. As a result, to avoid a possible denial of STA in the future, we recommend that PRPBC takes steps now to prepare and file an FCC Form 301 application to propose a permanent operation at the WKAQ site (or another alternate site).

Accordingly, the request for extension of STA IS HEREBY GRANTED. Station WIPR may continue to operate from the WKAQ site with a non-directional antenna, with 10 kW day and 2.5 kW night. 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 **July 13, 2014**.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of a large loop followed by a smaller loop and a trailing flourish.

Joseph Szczesny, Engineer
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cc: Marietty Lasanta, Interim President, PRPBC