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Re: Cram Media Group, LLC (CMG)

KRZS(AM), Searcy, Arkansas

Facility Identification Number: 11743 Special Temporary Authority (STA)

BESTA-20150209ABC

Dear Mr. Trent:

This is in reference to the request filed on February 9, 2015. CMG requests an extension of the STA granted on August 20, 2014, to operate station KRZS(AM) with reduced power using a 1 kW transmitter (due to failure of the 5 kW main transmitter). In support of the request, CMG states it was unable to repair the transmitter during the last six month STA period, and requests additional time to replace the transmitter (if unable to repair it).

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.

Our staff is aware that many older 5 kW AM transmitters cannot be repaired due to lack of support by the manufacturer, so it is very likely that CMG has already verified that a

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> KRZS(AM) is licensed for ND daytime-only operation on 1300 kHz with a power of 5 kW.

repair is not possible. If this is the case, CMG will need to either replace the transmitter with a new or used 5 kW model, or perhaps consider filing an FCC Form 301 construction permit application to permanently reduce power using a lower powered transmitter in order to resume licensed operations in a timely manner.

Accordingly, the request for extension of STA IS HEREBY GRANTED, and station KRZS(AM) may continue to operate during daytime hours with reduced power. CMG must notify the Commission when licensed operation is restored by filing a one page letter in triplicate with the Secretary's office to the attention of supervisory engineer Son Nguyen. CMG 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 guideline. See 47 CFR § 1.1310. We anticipate that CMG will replace the transmitter, file an FCC Form 301 to reduce power, or take some other new steps before the expiration date shown below in order to show substantial progress has been made towards resumption of licensed operations.

This authority expires on September 4, 2015.

Sincerely,

Joseph Szczesny, Engineer

Audio Division Media Bureau

cc: Larry Crain, Sr., President, CMG