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September 24, 2015

Alvin Souder, VP of Managing Member
High Desert Broadcasting LLC
715 Broadway, Suite 320
Santa Monica, CA 90401

Re: High Desert Broadcasting LLC (HDB)
KUTY(AM), Palmdale, CA
Facility Identification Number: 22011
Special Temporary Authority (STA)
BESTA-20150910AAM

Dear Mr. Souder:

This is in reference to the request filed on September 10, 2015. HDB requests a third extension of the STA granted on January 24, 2014, to operate station KUTY(AM) with emergency antenna facilities pursuant to 73.1680 due to the collapse of one tower in a storm and subsequent vandalism of the site.¹ In support of the request, HDB states that it has obtained additional information on all work that will be required, and remains in the process of determining if it will attempt to resume operations as currently licensed, or modify the licensed facility.

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.

Based upon all information submitted to date detailing the extensive repairs required to resume operations via the current license (or changes needed to modify the existing facility),

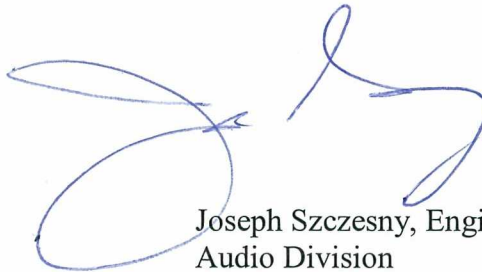
¹ KUTY(AM) is licensed for DA operation on 1470 kHz with 5 kW day and night.

HDB must file an FCC Form 301 construction permit application in either case, followed by an FCC Form 302 application to license the permit when granted.

Accordingly, the request for extension of STA IS HEREBY GRANTED, and station KUTY(AM) may continue to operate with an emergency ND antenna and reduced power not to exceed 1.25 kW (day and night). It will be necessary to further reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received. HDB 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. We recommend that HDB file the required FCC Form 301 application before the expiration date shown below (in order to show that substantial progress has been made).

This authority expires on **March 24, 2016**.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of a large loop on the left and a smaller loop on the right, connected by a horizontal stroke.

Joseph Szczesny, Engineer
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cc: Kelly Donohue, Esq., WBK LLP (via e-mail)