

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
445 TWELFTH STREET SW
WASHINGTON DC 20554

MEDIA BUREAU
AUDIO DIVISION
APPLICATION STATUS: (202) 418-2730
WWW.FCC.GOV/media/radio/audio-division

ENGINEER: Dale Bickel
TELEPHONE: (202) 418-2706
FACSIMILE: (202) 418-1410
E-MAIL: dale.bickel@fcc.gov

January 11, 2016

Public Broadcasting of Colorado, Inc.
Bridges Broadcast Center
7409 South Alton Court
Centennial, CO 80112

In re: KCFR-FM, Denver, Colorado
Public Broadcasting of Colorado, Inc.
Facility Identification Number: 53777
Special Temporary Authority (“STA”)
BESTA-20151215AEF

Dear Licensee:

This is in reference to the request filed December 15, 2015, on behalf of Public Broadcasting of Colorado, Inc. (PBC). PBC requests further extension of the special temporary authority (STA) originally granted on April 21, 1999, to operate Station KCFR-FM (formerly KVOD) with reduced power and a modified antenna.¹ By operating in this manner, KCFR-FM mitigates RF hotspots at the transmitter site on Lookout Mountain. We note that KCFR was granted construction permit BPED-20151026ABG on December 29, 2015 for modified facilities that should eventually and permanently resolve this matter.

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 See BLSTA-19990126W7, in which KCFR (FM) was operating at 85% of licensed ERP.

Our review indicates that the licensee has been prevented from restoring licensed operation due to causes beyond its control and has taken all possible steps to expeditiously resolve the problem. Thus, extension of STA is warranted.

In view of the above, the request for extension of STA IS HEREBY GRANTED. Station KCFR-FM may continue to operate with reduced power and with a modified antenna, pending resolution of the RFR issues. PBC must use whatever means are necessary to protect workers and the public from radiofrequency exposure in excess of the Commission's exposure guidelines. *See 47 CFR § 1.1310.*

This authority expires on **July 10, 2016**.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dale Bickel". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "D".

Dale Bickel
Senior Engineer
Audio Division
Media Bureau

cc: William Keane (via e-mail only)