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A Radio Company, Inc.
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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-20160307ABU

Dear ARC:

This is in reference to the request filed on March 7, 2016. ARC requests a further extension of the STA originally granted on October 29, 2004, to allow ND operation due to the former loss of all three towers and other problems, along with the recent reconstruction of one tower.¹ In support of the request, ARC states that it is proceeding with plans to restore licensed operations.

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 the information submitted to date, to avoid a possible cancellation of the station's license in the future, ARC must retain a private consulting engineer now to prepare and file an FCC Form 301 application to propose a permanent antenna system to show that substantial

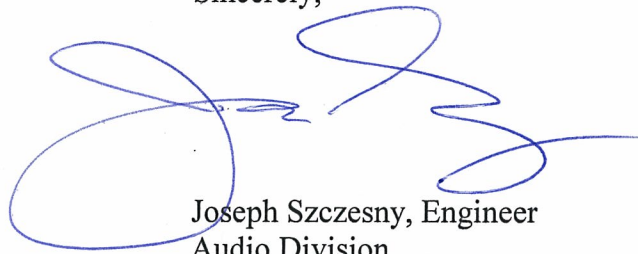
¹ WEGA is licensed for DA operation on 1350 kHz with 2.5 kW (day and night).

progress has been made. ARC may have to consider using another existing station site as opposed to a new undeveloped site to reduce costs, since it has been unable to file an FCC Form 301 application to reconstruct the three tower array (or propose a new antenna system) at the licensed site in the past 12 years.

Accordingly, the request for extension of STA IS HEREBY GRANTED and station WEGA(AM) may continue to operate with the reconstructed single tower using a maximum of 0.625 kW. It will be necessary to further reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received. 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.

This authority expires on **October 6, 2016**.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Joseph Szczesny', with a large, stylized loop on the left side.

Joseph Szczesny, Engineer
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Cc: John Wells King, Esq. (via e-mail)