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Patrick J. Piotrowsky, General Manager
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Re: KTEP (FM), El Paso, Texas
Facility Identification Number: 69342
The University of Texas at El Paso
Special Temporary Authority
Hybrid IBOC Digital Operation

Dear Mr. Piotrowsky:

This is in reference to the request filed May 21, 2007, on behalf of The University of Texas at El Paso ("UTEP"). UTEP requests further extension of special temporary authority ("STA") to operate Station KTEP with a hybrid digital signal,¹ pursuant to the *First Report and Order* in MM Docket No. 99-325 ("*Report and Order*").² UTEP proposes operation with separate analog and digital antennas, pursuant to the Public Notice issued March 17, 2004 ("*Public Notice*").³ Our review indicates that the proposed operation complies with the requirements of the Public Notice.

Accordingly, the request for extension of STA IS HEREBY GRANTED. Station KTEP may operate with a hybrid digital signal as defined in the *Report and Order*.⁴ The digital signal will be transmitted via licensed auxiliary antenna BXLED-20060328AJG. The digital transmitter power output will be 0.92 kilowatt. The analog transmitter power output will be 16.8 kilowatts. UTEP 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 KTEP is licensed for analog operation on Channel 267C (101.3 MHz) with effective radiated power of 100 kilowatts (H&V) and antenna height above average terrain of 454 meters.

² *Digital Audio Broadcasting Systems and Their Impact on the Terrestrial Radio Broadcast Service*, MM Docket No. 99-325, *First Report and Order*, (October 11, 2002).

³ *Public Notice*, "Use of Separate Antennas to Initiate Digital FM Transmissions Approved", MM Docket No. 99-325, DA 04-712 (October 17, 2004).

⁴ *See Report and Order*, Appendix B.

1.1310. Pursuant to 47 CFR Section 73.1635(b), this authority may be modified or cancelled by the Commission without notice or right to hearing. UTEP must post a copy of this authority with the station license. Any subsequent modification of the licensed analog facilities will require a modification of this authority.

This authority expires on **November 22, 2007**.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Charles N. Miller".

Charles N. Miller, Engineer
Audio Division
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cc: The University of Texas at El Paso