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Miles Sexton, COO 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-20161011AEW

Dear Mr. Sexton:

This is in reference to the request filed on October 11, 2016. HDB requests a further extension of the STA granted on January 24, 2014, to operate with an ND antenna due to the collapse of one tower and theft of the ground system and other equipment.¹ In support of the request, HDB states that additional time is needed before it can determine if feasible to complete all repairs and file the required FCC Form 302 application to update all operating parameters, or file an FCC Form 301 application to make other changes.

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.

Accordingly, the request for extension of STA IS HEREBY GRANTED, and HDB may continue to operate ND with a maximum of 1.25 kW. It will be necessary to further reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received. HDB must use whatever

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

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 anticipate that HDB will make a decision regarding the filing of an application or selling the station (as previously mentioned) before the expiration date shown below.

This authority expires on May 14, 2017.

Sincerely, Joseph Szczesny, Engineer Audio Division Media Bureau

cc: David Oxenford, Esq., WBK LLP (via e-mail)