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Arthur S. Lui, President Multicultural Radio Broadcasting Licensee, LLC 27 William Street, 11<sup>th</sup> Floor New York, NY 10005

Re: Multicultural Radio Broadcasting Licensee, LLC (MRBL)
WLXE(AM), Rockville, Maryland
Facility Identification Number: 54506
Special Temporary Authority (STA)
BESTA-20161109AAO

Dear Mr. Lui:

This is in reference to the request filed on November 9, 2016. MRBL requests a further extension of the STA originally granted on January 11, 2007, to operate ND at night due to damage to the DA antenna system and subsequent redevelopment of the site (which has eliminated the possibility of resuming licensed nighttime operations). In support of the request, MRBL states that additional time is needed to file an FCC Form 301 application to modify the licensed facility after the proposed rules mentioned in the revitalization order have become effective.<sup>2</sup>

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.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> WLXE is licensed for operation on 1600 kHz with 1 kW (ND) day and 0.5 kW (DA) night.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See Revitalization of the AM Radio Service, First Report and Order, Further Notice of Proposed Rule Making, and Notice of Inquiry, FCC 15-142 (rel. Oct. 23, 2015).

Accordingly, the request for extension of STA IS HEREBY GRANTED, and MRBL may continue to operate ND at night with a maximum power of 0.125 kW using tower #1. MRBL must file an FCC Form 301 application to modify the licensed facility immediately after the proposed rules in the revitalization order become effective. It will be necessary to further reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received. MRBL must use whatever means are necessary to protect workers and the public from exposure to radio frequency radiation in excess of the Commissions exposure guidelines. See 47 CFR § 1.1310.

This authority expires on June 12, 2017.

Sincerely,

Joseph Szczesny, Engineer

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cc: Mark N. Lipp, Esq., WR LLP (via e-mail only)