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Donna L. Heffner, Secretary  
Alpha Media Licensee LLC  
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Re: Alpha Media Licensee LLC (AML)  
WIBW(AM), Topeka, KS  
Facility Identification Number: 63169  
Special Temporary Authority (STA)  
BESTA-20170331AAH

Dear Ms. Heffner:

This is in reference to the request filed on March 31, 2017. AML requests an extension of the STA granted on October 6, 2016, to continue operating with parameters at variance to complete equipment repairs due to lightning damage last year.<sup>1</sup> In support of the request, AML states that additional time is needed to complete all work.

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 AML may continue to operate with parameters at variance from licensed values and/or reduced power while maintaining nighttime monitor points within licensed limits. It will be necessary to further

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<sup>1</sup> WIBW(AM) is licensed for operation on 580 kHz with 5 kW (ND day and DA night).

reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received. AML 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. Due to the significant type of equipment repairs involved, AML must file an FCC Form 302 to update all of the operating parameters if any changes are noted. Otherwise an e-mail must be submitted to certify the date the station resumed licensed operations per the last license (BZ-20030127AEV) with negligible changes to all of the operating parameters.

This authority expires on **November 9, 2017**.

Sincerely,



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cc: Gregory L. Masters, Esq., WR LLP (via email only)