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June 26, 2017

John M. Dowdy, Partner
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P.O. Box 2639
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Re: Dowdy & Dowdy Partnership (DDP)
WROA(AM), Gulfport, Mississippi
Facility Identification Number: 17478
Special Temporary Authority (STA)
BESTA- 20170517ABL

Dear Mr. Dowdy:

This is in reference to the request filed on May 17, 2017. DDP requests a second extension of the STA granted on May 16, 2016, to continue operating with parameters at variance to allow additional time to file the required FCC Form 302 application to cover BP-20170428AAU (after it has been granted).¹ In support of the request, we note that BP-20170428AAU to relocate to the existing WGCM transmitter site remains pending at this time.

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:

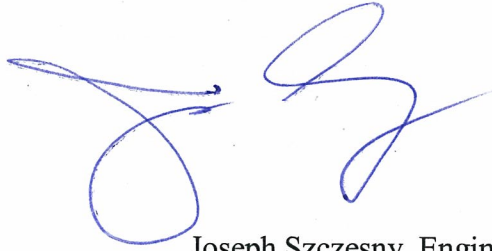
- Restoration of licensed facilities is complete and testing is underway;
- Substantial progress has been made during the most recent STA period toward restoration of licensed operation; or
- No progress has been made during the most recent STA period for reasons clearly beyond the licensee's control, and the licensee has taken all possible steps to expeditiously resolve the problem.

Accordingly, the request for extension of STA IS HEREBY GRANTED, and DDP may continue to operate with DA parameters at variance from licensed values and/or reduced power while maintaining monitor points within licensed limits. It will be necessary to further reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received. DDP 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.

¹ WROA(AM) is licensed for DA operation on 1390 kHz, using different 5 kW patterns (day and night).

This authority expires on **December 26, 2017.**

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of a large, stylized 'J' followed by a series of loops and a final flourish.

Joseph Szczesny, Engineer
Audio Division
Media Bureau

cc: John C. Trent, Esq., PHT PC (via email only)