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August 25, 2017

Dr. Rafael B. Cruz, President  
Puerto Rico Public Broadcasting Corporation  
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Re: Puerto Rico Public Broadcasting Corporation  
(PRPBC)  
WIPR(AM), San Juan, PR  
Facility Identification Number: 53861  
Special Temporary Authority (STA)  
BESTA-20170725AAQ

Dear Mr. Cruz:

This is in reference to the request filed on July 25, 2017. PRPBC requests a further extension of the STA granted on September 28, 1998, to continue to allow stations WIPR and WKAQ to operate ND using one of the WKAQ towers pending the filing of the required FCC Form 302 application to cover BP-20170419AIC.<sup>1</sup> In support of the request, PRPBC stated additional time is needed to complete all steps needed to submit an application for a new license.

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.

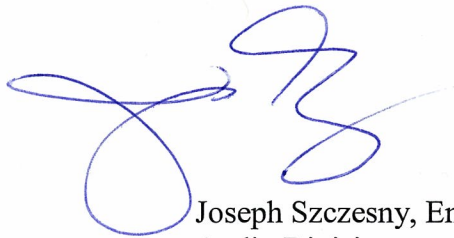
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<sup>1</sup> WIPR (940 kHz) and station WKAQ (580 kHz) are both authorized for DA operation with 10 kW unlimited hours at different sites, located 0.5 miles apart, and BP-20170419AIC authorizes new directional patterns using the existing WKAQ towers.

Accordingly, the request for extension of STA IS HEREBY GRANTED, and PRPBC may continue to operate ND using one of the existing WKAQ towers with a maximum of 2.5 kW (day and night) to allow time to file the required license application. It will be necessary to further reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received. PRPBC 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.

This authority expires on **February 25, 2018**.

Sincerely,

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