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Donna L. Heffner, Secretary Alpha Media Licensee LLC 1211 SW 5<sup>th</sup> Ave., Suite 750 Portland, OR 97204

Re: Alpha Media Licensee LLC (Alpha)

WHAG(AM), Halfway, Maryland Facility Identification Number: 23466 Special Temporary Authority (STA)

BESTA-20171106AAM

Dear Ms. Heffner:

This is in reference to the request filed on November 6, 2017. Alpha requests an extension of the STA granted on May 11, 2017, to continue operating with an ND antenna to allow time to file the required FCC Form 302 application due to extensive repairs done over the past seven months. In support of the request, Alpha states that additional time is needed to complete all fire-related repairs before it can resume licensed operations.

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 the STA IS HEREBY GRANTED, and Alpha may continue to operate ND with a maximum of 0.25 kW day and 0.025 kW night, or with DA parameters at variance day and night using reduced power if needed to maintain all daytime

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> WHAG(AM) is licensed for DA operation on 1410 kHz with 1 kW day and 0.099 kW at night.

monitor points within licensed limits. Alpha must reduce power further or cease operation if complaints of interference are received, and 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. Alpha must file the 302 application if any significant operating parameter changes are needed, or submit an e-mail to my attention to certify the date the station resumed licensed operation (per BZ-20081007AMF) with negligible changes to all operating parameters.

This authority expires on May 27, 2018.

Sincerely,

Joseph Szczesny, Engineer

Audio Division Media Bureau

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