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Richard Solberg, President Sun Mountain, Inc. P.O. Box 230 Hardin, MT 59034

Re:

Sun Mountain, Inc. (SMI) KBSR(AM), Laurel, MT Facility Identification Number: 5297 Special Temporary Authority (STA) BESTA-20171227ABA

Dear Mr. Solberg:

This is in reference to the request filed on December 27, 2017. SMI requests an extension of the STA granted on June 19, 2017, to continue operating with a long-wire antenna from an alternate site location to allow time to file the required FCC Form 301 application (due to loss of the licensed site).<sup>1</sup> In support of the request, SMI states that it plans to file the application within the next four months.

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.

We noted that the previous STA expired on December 16, 2017, but this request was not filed until December 27, 2017. As a result, the authority granted herein does not cover the period in between those dates, and is without prejudice as to whatever action the Commission may take with respect to operation during that period.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> KBSR(AM) is licensed for ND operation on 1490 kHz with 1 kW (day and night).

Accordingly, the request for extension of the STA IS HEREBY GRANTED, and SMI may continue to operate with the following facilities:

Geographic coordinates Frequency Hours of operation Operating power Antenna type 45° 43' 34" N, 108° 36' 35" W (NAD 1927) 1490 kHz Day and Night 0.02 kW maximum 0.5 wavelength long wire antenna attached to existing tower 1020875

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SMI 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 July 31, 2018.

Sincerely,

Joseph Szczesny, Engineer Audio Division Media Bureau

cc: Dan J. Alpert, Esq. (via email only)