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Dr. Rafael B. Cruz, President Puerto Rico Public Broadcasting Corporation Post Office Box 190909 San Juan, PR 00919-0909

Re: Puerto Rico Public Broadcasting Corporation

(PRPBC)

WIPR(AM), San Juan, PR

Facility Identification Number: 53861 Special Temporary Authority (STA)

BESTA-20180215ACV

Dear Mr. Cruz:

This is in reference to the request filed on February 15, 2018. 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. In support of the request, PRPBC stated additional time is needed to complete the required daytime proof and file the application to cover BP-20170419AIC.

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.

¹ WIPR (940 kHz) and station WKAQ (580 kHz) are both authorized for DA operation with 10 kW unlimited hours at different sites, and BP-20170419AIC authorizes new DA patterns using the existing WKAO 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). PRPBC must reduce power 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.

This authority expires on September 7, 2018.

Sincerely,

Joseph Szczesny, Engineer

Audio Division Media Bureau

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