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Paul O'Malley, VP Saga Quad States Communications, LLC 73 Kercheval Avenue, Suite 201 Gross Pointe Farms, MI 48236

> Re: SAGA Quad States Communications, LLC (SAGA) WSPO(AM), Charleston, SC Facility Identification Number: 60038 Special Temporary Authority (STA) BESTA-20180312ABO

Dear Mr. O'Malley:

This is in reference to the request filed on March 12, 2018. SAGA requests an extension of the STA granted on September 12, 2017, to continue operating ND at night with reduced power to allow time to file the required FCC Form 302 application to update all operating parameters.¹ In support of the request, SAGA states that it plans to complete all hurricane damage repairs in the near future in order to move forward toward the resumption of 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 SAGA may continue to operate ND at night with a maximum of 1.25 kW, with no change to the

¹ WSPO(AM) is licensed for operation on 1390 kHz with 5 kW ND day and DA night.

licensed daytime 5 kW ND operation. SAGA 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. SAGA must file the 302 application if any changes are needed. Otherwise an e-mail must be submitted to my attention to certify the date the station resumed licensed operations (per BZ-20121212ACS) with negligible changes to all operating parameters.

This authority expires on October 3, 2018.

Sincerely,

Joseph Szczesny, Engineer

Audio Division Media Bureau

cc: Gary S. Smithwick, Esq., S&B PC (via email only)

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