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Sukhdev S. Dhillon Akal Broadcasting Corporation 10238 6th Avenue Hanford, CA 93230

> Re: Akal Broadcasting Corporation (ABC) KKDZ(AM), Seattle, WA Facility Identification Number: 12112 Special Temporary Authority (STA) BESTA- 20180316AAZ

Dear Sukhdev Dhillon:

This is in reference to the request filed on March 16, 2018. ABC requests a further extension of the STA granted on May 16, 2014, to continue temporary nighttime operation using the licensed daytime site antenna to allow time to file the required FCC Form 302 application due to loss of the licensed nighttime site.¹ In support of the request, we note that ABC has not yet filed the application to cover BP-20170131ABC.

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 STA IS HEREBY GRANTED, and ABC may continue to operate during nighttime shared hours with an ND antenna and reduced power not to

¹ KKDZ(AM) is licensed for operation on 1250 kHz with 5 kW ND (daytime site), and 5 kW DA (nighttime site) on a shared-time basis with station KWSU (ID# 71025), and BP-20170131ABC authorizes a new nighttime DA using the KXPA(AM) transmitter site towers (with no change to the old licensed daytime site facility).

exceed 1.25 kW using the daytime site ND antenna system (with no change to the licensed 5 kW daytime site operation). ABC must reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received, and 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. We noted that station KXPA is also operating on a technical STA at this time, therefore the expiration date for that STA will be used below since action on the two stations is now directly related.

This authority expires on August 1, 2018.

Sincerely, Joseph Szczesny, Engineer Audio Division Media Bureau

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