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Dr. Rafael B. Cruz, President
Puerto Rico Public Broadcasting Corporation
Post Office Box 190909
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Re: Puerto Rico Public Broadcasting Corporation
(PRPBC)
WIPR(AM), San Juan, PR
Facility Identification Number: 53861
Special Temporary Authority (STA)
BESTA-20180904AAB

Dear Mr. Cruz:

This is in reference to the request filed on September 4, 2018. PRPBC requests a further extension of the STA granted on September 28, 1998, to continue operating ND with co-located station WKAQ(AM) to allow time to file the required FCC Form 302 applications for both stations.¹ In support of the request, we noted that the applications have not yet been filed.

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 PRPBC may

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 WKAQ towers.

continue to operate ND using one of the existing WKAQ towers with a maximum of 2.5 kW (day and night). PRPBC 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 **March 25, 2019**.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of a large, stylized 'J' followed by a cursive 'S' and 'Z'.

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