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Julia M. B. Gallardo, President Lares Broadcasting Corporation PO Box 872 Lares, PR 00669

Re: Lares Broadcasting Corporation (LBC)

WGDL(AM), Lares, PR

Facility Identification Number: 36564 Special Temporary Authority (STA)

BESTA-20190130ABD

Dear Ms. Gallardo:

This is in reference to the request filed on January 30, 2019. LBC requests a further extension of the STA granted on November 22, 1991, to continue operating with the facilities specified in BP-19900326AD due to the unofficial change in operating frequency of station HIBS, SP Macoris, Dominican Republic from 1200 kHz to 670 kHz. In support of the request, we note that further action on BP-19900326AD remains on hold at this time since no official update has been made regarding the HIBS operating frequency.

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.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> WGDL(AM) is currently licensed for ND daytime-only operation on 1200 kHz with 0.25 kW, and BP-19900326AD proposes to increase daytime power and add a new nighttime facility using the existing tower, yet it cannot be granted because HIBS is still listed in the AM engineering database as operating on 1200 kHz instead of 670 kHz.

Accordingly the request for extension of the STA IS HEREBY GRANTED, and LBC may continue to operate using the parameters specified in BP-19900326AD. This authority is granted on the condition that LBC must resume licensed daytime only operation per BL-19860606AG if station HIBS is officially confirmed by the FCC's International Bureau staff to have resumed operations on 1200 kHz (which will result in the cancellation of this STA and dismissal of BP-19900326AD).

This authority expires on August 18, 2019.

Sincerely,

Joseph Szczesny, Engineer Audio Division, Media Bureau

cc: Scott C. Cinnamon, Esq. (via e-mail only)