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Angel O. Roman-Lopez, President Aerco Broadcasting Corporation 1554 Bori Street, Urb. Caribe San Juan, PR 00927

> Re: Aerco Broadcasting Corporation (ABC) WQBS(AM), San Juan, Puerto Rico Facility Identification Number: 573 Special Temporary Authority (STA) BESTA-20190531AAE

Dear Mr. Lopez:

This is in reference to the request filed on May 31, 2019. ABC requests a further extension of the STA granted on September 29, 2017, to continue ND operations to allow time to file the required FCC Form 302 application due to the replacement of one tower.¹ In support of the request, we noted that ABC did not yet file the application to update all operating parameters.

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 an extension of the STA IS HEREBY GRANTED, and ABC may continue ND operations (day and night) using the damaged tower with a maximum of 1.25 kW using the power grid (or auxiliary generator). ABC 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.

¹ WQBS(AM) is licensed for DA operation on 870 kHz with 5 kW day and night, using different patterns.

This authority expires on January 2, 2020.

Sincerely,

Joseph Szczesny, Engineer Audio Division Media Bureau

cc: John A. Borsari, Esq., B&A PLC (via email only)