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August 1, 2019

Victor Camino, President El Camino Communications, LLC 133 Jackson St. NE Albuquerque, New Mexico 87108

Re: El Camino Communications, LLC (ECC)

KKNS(AM), Corrales, NM

Facility Identification Number: 7050 Special Temporary Authority (STA)

BESTA-20190731ABA

Dear Mr. Camino:

This is in reference to the request filed on July 31, 2019. ECC requests a further extension of the STA granted on September 24, 2012, and last modified on November 29, 2017, to operate using the facilities specified in the construction permit BP-20151230APJ to allow time to file an acceptable FCC Form 302 application.\(^1\) In support of the request, we noted that ECC stated that the station has been off the air since August 8, 2018, and therefore must resume operations and notify the Commission of resumption before August 8, 2019 (to avoid automatic cancellation of the station's license).

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.

We noted that the last license application BL-20170608ABJ was dismissed on February 26, 2019, and that the related renewal application BR-20130531AGZ remains on hold at this time due to unresolved problems. As a result, we recommend that ECC resolve all remaining problems and file

¹ KKNS is currently licensed for operation on 1310 kHz with 5 kW ND day and 0.5 kW DA night, and BP-20151230APJ authorizes a new ND facility with an existing tower using 5 kW day and 0.082 kW night.

an acceptable FCC Form 302 application in the upcoming months.

Accordingly, the request for extension of STA IS HEREBY GRANTED, and ECC may continue to operate using parameters at variance and reduced power if needed based upon the information previously provided in BL-20170608ABJ. ECC 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. ECC must submit an e-mail to my attention before August 8, 2019, to certify that the station has resumed operations per this STA.

This authority expires on January 5, 2020.

Sincerely,

Joseph Szczesny, Engineer

Audio Division Media Bureau

cc: Lauren Lynch Flick, Esq., PWSP LLP (via e-mail only)