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October 8, 2019

Christopher J. Henderson, EVP & Sec
Salem Communications Holding Corporation
4880 Santa Rosa Rd.
Camarillo, CA 93012

Re: Salem Communications Holding Corporation
(SCHC)
WTBN(AM), Pinellas Park, FL
Facility Identification Number: 51985
Special Temporary Authority (STA)
BESTA-20190912AAC

Dear Mr. Henderson:

This is in reference to the request filed on September 12, 2019. SCHC requests an extension of the STA originally granted on December 6, 1994, as last modified on September 19, 2018, to operate ND with reduced power (due to lightning damage).¹ In support of the request, SCHC states that additional time will be required to complete all repairs/testing before it can resume licensed operations.

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 the STA IS HEREBY GRANTED, and SCHC may continue to operate ND with a maximum of 1.25 kW (day and night). SCHC 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. SCHC must submit an e-mail to

¹ WTBN(AM) is licensed for DA operation on 570 kHz with 5 kW (day and night), using different patterns.

my attention to confirm the date the station resumed licensed operations per BML-20100506AGM with negligible changes (to ensure an FCC Form 302 filing is not required).

This authority expires on **April 7, 2020.**

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of a large loop on the left and a series of smaller loops and a horizontal line extending to the right.

Joseph Szczesny, Engineer
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cc: Kathleen A. Kirby, Esq., WR LLP (via email only)