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Multicultural Radio Broadcasting Licensee, LLC 40 Exchange Place Suite 1010 New York, NY 10005

Re: Multicultural Radio Broadcasting Licensee, LLC

KAHZ(AM), Pomona, California Facility Identification Number: 61814

Special Temporary Authority

## Dear Applicant:

This is in reference to the request filed November 15, 2019, on behalf of Multicultural Radio Broadcasting Licensee, LLC ("MRB"). MRB requests special temporary authority ("STA") to operate station KAHZ(AM) non-directionally during daytime and nighttime hours with a reduced power of 1.25 kilowatts. In addition, KAHZ(AM) requests the option to operate during nighttime hours with parameters at variance while maintaining monitoring points within licensed limits.

In support of the request, MRB states that KAHZ(AM) and KALI(AM) operate from a common, diplexed antenna system located in Chino, California. Due to a requirement for new antenna tower anchor foundations for one of the towers in the system, a tower common to the operation of both stations, it will be necessary for KAHZ(AM) to operate daytime with a reduced power of 1.25 kilowatts during the cable relocation work. In addition, during nighttime hours, the station may need to operate non-directionally at a reduced power of 1.25 kilowatts or with parameters at variance. Therefore, the station requests STA to have the above mentioned options for daytime and nighttime operations.

Accordingly, the request for STA IS HEREBY GRANTED. Station KAHZ(AM) may operate non-directionally during daytime and nighttime hours with power reduced to 1.25 kilowatts. In addition, the station may operate during nighttime hours with parameters at variance while maintaining monitoring points within licensed limits. It will be necessary to further reduce or cease operation if complaints of interference are received. MRB 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 July 9, 2020.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> KAHZ(AM) is licensed for operation on 1600 kHz with a daytime and nighttime power of 5 kilowatts, employing a directional antenna pattern at night (DAN-U).

STA Advisory: Section 309(f) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, authorizes the Commission to grant STA in cases of "extraordinary circumstances requiring temporary authorizations in the public interest and when delay in the institution of the temporary operations would seriously prejudice the public interest." However, Section 309(f) is not a means by which a licensee/permittee may circumvent established processing procedures which require the filing of an application, nor is it a means by which a broadcaster may enhance his facility or make operation more convenient for the broadcaster. Stations operating with less than licensed facilities under temporary authorities can be viewed as receiving the benefit of a larger protection area than that in which they are currently providing service.

Accordingly, Special Temporary Authorities by nature are to be temporary and are not intended for extended use. Licensees of stations operating under temporary authorities are reminded that timely restoration of permanent facilities is the responsibility of the licensee and should be undertaken expeditiously. Any request for extension of special temporary authorities carries an increased burden with each subsequent request.

Therefore, 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.

Sincerely,

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