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April 14, 2020

Bill Holst, VP  
SAGA Communications of South Dakota, LLC  
73 Kercheval Ave.  
Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236

Re: SAGA Communications of South Dakota, LLC  
(SAGA)  
WNAX(AM), Yankton, SD  
Facility Identification Number: 2399  
Special Temporary Authority (STA)  
BESTA-20200325AAF

Dear Mr. Holst:

This is in reference to the request filed on March 25, 2020. SAGA requests an extension of the STA granted on September 26, 2019, to continue operating with parameters at variance at night due to flood damage.<sup>1</sup> In support of the request, SAGA stated that additional time is needed to complete all remaining repairs.

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 SAGA may continue to operate ND at night with a maximum of 1.25 kW, or with DA parameters at variance

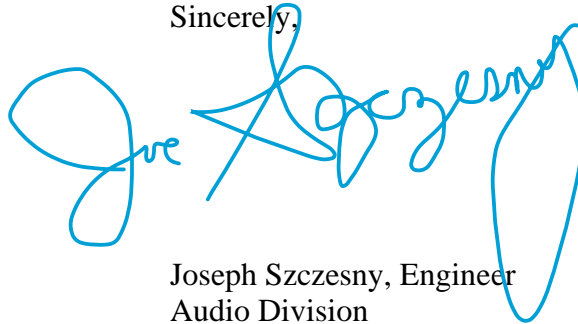
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<sup>1</sup> WNAX(AM) is licensed for operation on 570 kHz with 5 kW day (ND) and night (DA).

and reduced power to maintain all monitor points within licensed tolerances. (No change to the licensed 5 kW daytime ND operation). SAGA 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. SAGA must submit an e-mail to my attention to note the date the station resumed licensed operations per BZ-20130412ABW with negligible changes, or the date an FCC Form 302 application was filed to update all operating parameters.

This authority expires on **October 14, 2020**.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Joe Szczesny", is written over the word "Sincerely,". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Joseph Szczesny, Engineer  
Audio Division  
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cc: Gary S. Smithwick, Esq., S&B PC (via e-mail only)