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Steven M. Swenson, President/CEO
Nashville Public Radio
630 Mainstream Drive
Nashville, TN 37228

Re: Nashville Public Radio (NPR)
WPLN(AM), Madison, TN
Facility Identification Number: 21473
Special Temporary Authority (STA)
BESTA-20200312AAA

Dear Mr. Swenson:

This is in reference to the request filed on March 12, 2020. NPR requests a further extension of the STA granted on October 7, 2019, to continue operating ND at night with reduced power to allow time to complete repairs to the antenna phasor (due to lightning damage).¹ In support of the request, NPR stated that additional time will be 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:

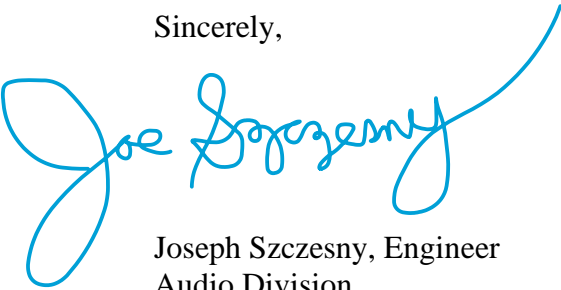
- Restoration of licensed facilities is complete and testing is underway;
- Substantial progress has been made during the most recent STA period toward restoration of licensed operation; or
- No progress has been made during the most recent STA period for reasons clearly beyond the licensee's control, 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 NPR may continue to operate ND at night with 0.25 kW, with no change to the licensed daytime 15 kW operation. NPR must reduce nighttime 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. NPR must an e-mail to my attention to note the date the station was able to resume licensed operations per BL-20020513ABA with negligible changes.

¹ WPLN(AM) is licensed for operation on 1430 kHz with 15 kW day (ND) and 1 kW night (DA).

This authority expires on **October 26, 2020.**

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Joe Szczesny". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the beginning and a long, sweeping tail that extends upwards and to the right.

Joseph Szczesny, Engineer
Audio Division
Media Bureau

cc: Barry Persh, GMP LLP (via e-mail only)