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John M. Dowdy, President JMD, Inc. P.O. Box 2639 Gulfport, MS 39505

Re: JMD, Inc. (JMD)

WGCM(AM), Gulfport, MS

Facility Identification Number: 31216 Special Temporary Authority (STA)

BESTA-2020507AAB

Dear Mr. Dowdy:

This is in reference to the request filed on May 7, 2020. JMD requests an extension of the STA granted on November 21, 2019, to operate with parameters at variance and reduced power to allow time for further action to be taken on BP-2020506ABC and the related WROA application BL-20200519AAQ, since both stations are now using the same tower. In support of the request, we noted that both applications remain pending at this time.

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 JMD may continue to operate with parameters at variance and a maximum of 0.94 kW day and night, as specified in BP-20200506ABC due to changes that were already made to the ground system to accommodate the installation of station WROA. JMD must use whatever means are necessary to protect

¹ WGCM(AM) is licensed for ND operation on 1240 kHz with 1 kW, day and night, and BP-20200506ABC proposes to change the ground system, power, efficiecny, and tower height, due to diplexing of WROA onto the existing tower.

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 November 26, 2020.

Sincerely,

Joseph Szczesny, Engineer

Audio Division Media Bureau

cc: John C. Trent, Esq., PHT PC (via email only)