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Ministerio Radial Cristiano de Sebring, Inc. 3631 Dolphin Drive Sebring, FL 33870-7826

> Re: WVDV-LP (FL), Orlando, FL Ministerio Radial Cristiano de Sebring, Inc. Facility Identification Number: 134104 Special Temporary Authority ("STA") BSTA-20200611AAD

Dear Licensee:

This is in reference to the request filed June 11, 2020 for WVDV-LP, which is licensed to Ministerio Radial Cristiano de Sebring, Inc. ("MRCS"). MRCS requests special temporary authority ("STA") to resume operation with temporary, nondirectional facilities at a transmitter sile located on the north edge of WVDV-LP's licensed 60 dBu service contour,. This low power FM station is presently silent; MRCS must return the translator to operating status **no later than June 20, 2020** to avoid automatic cancellation of the station's license pursuant to Section 312(g) of the Communications Act.

STA requests which involve a change in transmitter site must include four critical elements: (1) Loss of the licensed site must be beyond the licensee's control; (2) STA facilities must continue to provide service to the licensed community; (3) STA facilities must maintain, as closely as practicable, the licensed service area without extending it; (4) STA facilities cannot involve the construction of towers intended for permanent use by the station requesting the STA.

Here, the proposed STA facilities will create a 60 dBu contour that lies mostly outside (and to the north of) the licensed WVDV-LP 60 dBu contour. This violates Criteria (3) above. However, given the current circumstances, we conclude that a **three month STA is appropriate** here. Special Temporary Authority **IS GRANTED** for the operations specified in the STA request only. **This STA expires September 15, 2020.**<sup>1</sup> The licensee is responsible for resolving any interference that may occur as a result of this operation.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A timely fled request for extension of this STA may be considered by the staff in mid-September 2020. Any STA extension request must include a summary of the progress toward finding a permanent transmitter site.

We remind the licensee that the station's license will expire as a matter of law upon twelve consecutive months of silence [ending June 20, 2020], notwithstanding the grant of the present STA. See Pub. Law No. 104-104, 110 Stat. 56, Section 403(1) (1996) and Order, Silent Station Authorizations, FCC 96-218 (released May 17, 1996). See also Public Notice, *Expedited Processing of Applications Filed by Silent Stations*, DA 96-818 (May 22, 1996). Please be aware that unauthorized operations – operations with facilities not authorized by a current STA or license – do not count as a resumption of operations within one year for the purposes of Section 312(g) of the Communications Act, and cannot be used to avoid the consequences of Section 312(g). See *A-O Broadcasting Corporation*, FCC 08-10, 23 FCC Rcd 603, released January 8, 2008.

Sincerely,

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cc: Dennis Jackson (via e-mail only)