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Special Temporary Authority For a Radio Broadcast Station
Audio Division, Media Bureau

Date: December 2, 2020
File Number: BSTA-20201201AAD
Call Sign: W252DA (FX)
Facility ID Number: 144605

The 60 dBu service area requested for this STA lies, in large part, outside the licensed 60 dBu service area. This is contrary to usual FCC processing guidelines for STAs which require the STA 60 dBu contour to remain completely within the licensed translator’s 60 dBu contour. While this situation would normally result in dismissal of the STA request, we conclude that the circumstances here merit grant of an STA for a limited time period of three months, and with a reduced ERP of 0.005 kW (5 watts). We may entertain a request next year for extension of this STA for a further three months, should it become necessary.

Special Temporary Authority IS GRANTED for operation of the station above with the parameters specified in the STA request, on Channel 252, however **the ERP must be limited to 0.005 kW (5 watts)**. The licensee is responsible for promptly addressing any complaints of interference that may arise.

When operations pursuant to this STA commence, the licensee shall file a **Notice of Resumption of Operations** in the FCC’s CDBS electronic filing system.

We remind the licensee that the station's license will expire as a matter of law upon twelve consecutive months of silence [**ending December 9, 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 (2008).

This STA authority expires **March 2, 2021**. As indicated above, we may consider an STA extension request at that time, should it become necessary.

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Please retain a copy of this authorization for your records.

Considerations:

Licensee must take all steps to ensure that workers and the public are not exposed to radiofrequency exposure in excess of the Commission’s exposure limit.

Requests for extension of STA may 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.