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Julia M. B. Gallardo, President Lares Broadcasting Corporation PO Box 872 Lares, PR 00669

Re: Lares Broadcasting Corporation (LBC)

WGDL(AM), Lares, PR

Facility Identification Number: 36564 Special Temporary Authority (STA)

BESTA-20210408AAH

Dear Ms. Gallardo:

This is in reference to the request filed on April 8, 2021. LBC requests a further extension of the STA granted on November 22, 1991, to continue operating with the facilites specified in BP-19900326AD on 1200 kHz due to the unofficial change in the operating frequency of station HIBS, SP Macoris, Dominican Republic from 1200 kHz to 670 kHz over 30 years ago. In support of the request, we note that BP-19900326AD remains on hold because the FCC's International Bureau has not received an official frequency change notice for HIBS from the government of the Dominican Republic.

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.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> WGDL(AM) is currently licensed for ND daytime-only operation on 1200 kHz with 0.25 kW. BP-19900326AD proposes a new nighttime 1 kW facility with increased daytime power of 1 kW.

Accordingly, the request for extension of the STA IS HEREBY GRANTED, and LBC may continue to operate using the day and night parameters specified in BP-19900326AD. This authority is granted on the condition that LBC must resume licensed daytime only operation per BL-19860606AG if station HIBS is officially confirmed by the FCC's International Bureau staff to have resumed operations on 1200 kHz (which will result in the cancellation of this STA and dismissal of BP-19900326AD).

This authority expires on October 22, 2021.

Sincerely,

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cc: Francisco R. Montero, Esq., FHH PLC (via e-mail only)