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Christopher J. Henderson, EVP & SEC
Salem Communications Holding Corporation
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Camarillo, CA 93012

Re: Salem Communications Holding Corporation
(Salem)
WHKW(AM), Cleveland, OH
Facility Identification Number: 14772
Special Temporary Authority (STA)
BESTA-20210430AAA

Dear Mr. Henderson:

This is in reference to the request filed on April 30, 2021. Salem requests an extension of the STA granted on November 3, 2020, to continue operating using a reduced power of 5 kW to allow time to repair the damaged 50 kW transmitter.¹ In support of the request, Salem stated that additional time will be needed to receive and install the new replacement parts.

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 Salem may continue to operate using the licensed directional antenna pattern with a reduced power of 5 kW day and night. Salem must use whatever means are necessary to protect workers and the

¹ WHKW(AM) is licensed for DA operation on 1220 kHz with 50 kW, using the same pattern day and night.

public from exposure to radio frequency radiation in excess of the Commissions exposure guidelines. See 47 CFR §1.1310. Salem must submit an e-mail to my attention to note the date the station resumed licensed operations per the last license BL-2563 with negligible changes, or the date an FCC Form 302 application was filed to make changes to any of the operating parameters.

This authority expires on **November 14, 2021.**

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Joe Szczesny". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Joe" written in a large, stylized loop.

Joseph Szczesny, Engineer
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cc: Kathleen A. Kirby, Esq. WR LLP (via e-mail only)