



Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554
October 12, 2021

Cole Studstill, President
Mendota Broadcasting, Inc.
3905 Progress Blvd.
Peru, IL 61354

Re: Mendota Broadcasting, Inc. (MBI)
WSPL(AM), Streator, IL
Facility Identification Number: 63535
Special Temporary Authority (STA)
BESTA-20210921AAG

Dear Mr. Studstill:

This is in reference to the request filed on September 21, 2021. MBI requests a further extension of the STA granted on March 2, 2020, to continue ND operation with the remaining 40 foot section of the south tower to allow time to file the required FCC Form 301 application.¹ In support of the request, we noted that MBI will require additional time to file the application to propose a new permanent facility (due to removal of north tower and top portion of south tower).

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 MBI may continue to operate ND from its licensed site using the shortened south tower along with a reduced power level of 0.11 kW (day) and 0.035 kW (night). MBI must reduce power or cease operations if complaints of interference are received, and use whatever means are necessary to protect workers and the public from exposure to radio frequency radiation in excess of the Commission's exposure guidelines. *See* 47 CFR §1.1310. MBI must submit an e-mail to my attention to note the date the application was filed

This authority expires on **April 11, 2022**.

Sincerely,

¹ WSPL(AM) is licensed for DA operation on 1250 kHz with 0.5 kW (day) and 0.064 kW (night).

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Joe Szczesny". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Joe" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Szczesny".

Joseph Szczesny, Engineer
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Media Bureau

cc: Coe W. Ramsey, Esq., BP (via e-mail only)