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Re: KURS(AM), San Diego, California
Facility Identification Number: 54257
Quetzal Bilingual Communications, Inc.
Special Temporary Authority

Dear Counsel:

This is in reference to the request filed August 22, 2008, on behalf of Quetzal Bilingual Communications, Inc. ("QBC"). QBC requests extension of the special temporary authority ("STA") granted on March 4, 2008, to operate Station KURS with emergency antenna facilities pursuant to Section 73.1680.¹

In support of the request, QBC states that it continues to broadcast using the remaining portion of the licensed tower, which partially collapsed. QBC further states that a new tower is to be constructed adjacent to the damaged structure, but work has not begin as yet.

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.

¹ KURS is licensed for operation on 1040 kHz with 0.37 kilowatt daytime and 0.063 kilowatt nighttime, employing a nondirectional antenna (ND-2-U).

Our review indicates that the licensee has been prevented from restoring licensed operation due to causes beyond its control and has taken all possible steps to expeditiously resolve the problem. Thus, extension of STA is warranted.

Accordingly, the request for extension of STA IS HEREBY GRANTED. Station KURS may continue to operate with emergency antenna facilities as described above. It will be necessary to further reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received. QBC must notify the Commission when licensed operation is restored.² QBC must 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.

This authority expires on **March 9, 2009**.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Charles N. Miller". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Charles N. Miller, Engineer
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cc: Quetzal Bilingual Communications, Inc.

² *See* 47 CFR §§ 73.45(c), 73.51, 73.54, 73.61(b)