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Michelle Carey
Chief, Media Bureau
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
Washington DC 20554

Re: WKXG(AM) Greenwood, MS
Facility ID No. 65008
Special Temporary Authority BESTA-20200701AAL

Dear Ms. Carey:

On May 4, 2020, I filed a Petition to Deny against the license renewal of WKXG(AM) Greenwood, Mississippi. In that filing, I provided information that the station had not operated in accordance with the terms of its license and had been off-air for a period longer than 12-months. On June 24, the Commission requested information from the Licensee regarding its adherence to the minimum operating requirements of Section 73.1740 of the Commission's Rules, to which the Licensee never responded. However, on July 1, 2020, the Licensee filed yet another request for Special Temporary Authority (STA), in which it requests authority to operate from a long-wire antenna authorized in a previous STA. However, that long-wire antenna was removed several years ago and, at this point, the Licensee is merely trying to avoid cancellation of WKXG's license, even though the station is not operating. I last visited Greenwood on June 27, 2020, and while diving within sight of WKXG's tower, was unable to receive any signal on 1540 kHz, the station's authorized frequency. I have a video recording documenting this and will e-mail it upon request.

The Commission cannot allow licensees to engage in a pattern of continued fraud and deception by reporting that stations are operating when they clearly are not. Such licensees deprive the public of radio service to the communities they are licensed to serve by not operating.

The situation clearly demands that the Application for Renewal of License of Station WKXG(AM) be denied, as outlined in the Petition to Deny referenced above.

If you have any questions, please advise.

Sincerely,

/s/ Larry Fuss

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