

KBYS(FM)
Facility ID No. 172777
Further Extension of Engineering STA

This application is for a further extension of Special Temporary Authority that was previously granted and extended (*See* CDBS BSTA-20200917AAP; BESTA-20210317AAF; BESTA-20210915AAA; and BESTA-20220318AAD & LMS 000199512).

As previously reported to the Commission, on August 27, 2020, the tower for KBYS's licensed facility (CDBS File No. BLED-20180615ABD) was destroyed by hurricane Laura that devastated Lake Charles, Louisiana. After several unsuccessful attempts using the facilities at KBYS's formerly licensed site (CDBS File No. BLED-20140519AHE), KBYS returned to air at the facilities specified in construction permit CDBS File No. BMPED-20140107APJ, pursuant to the STA described above.

The licensee completed plans with the city of Lake Charles to construct a new tower for operations of KBYS as well as emergency communications facilities for the city of Lake Charles. An Antenna Structure Registration (ASR) was issued for this tower on July 1, 2022 (ASR No. 1322650). In the past six months the following progress has taken place with the new tower:

- The foundation was completed, cured, and construction of the structural part of the tower was completed.
- Essential power conduit and cabling was installed.
- Main power was hooked up, tower lighting is running, and some facilities are already in place.
- The buildings that will house equipment for KBYS, as well as the City of Lake Charles, Calcasieu Parish, and State of Louisiana equipment have been built.
- A tower survey has been completed and KBYS is currently waiting on the tower survey report in order to prepare an application for a construction permit at the new tower.

Accordingly, KBYS hereby request a further extension of STA to continue operating with a maximum ERP limited to 1.0 kw.