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February 9, 2018

Richard S. Denning, VP & GC  
Cumulus Licensing LLC  
3280 Peachtree Road, NW, Suite 2300  
Atlanta, GA 30305

Re: Cumulus Licensing LLC (Cumulus)  
WXQW (AM), Fairhope, Alabama  
Facility Identification Number: 2541  
Special Temporary Authority (STA)  
BESTA-20180112AAJ

Dear Mr. Denning:

This is in reference to the request filed on January 12, 2018. Cumulus requests a further extension of the STA granted on June 8, 2010, to operate with parameters at variance pending the filing the required FCC Form 302 application due to damage to one tower.<sup>1</sup> In support of the request, Cumulus states that additional time is needed to complete all work and file the application to cover BP-20170118ABN.

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 STA IS HEREBY GRANTED, and Cumulus

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<sup>1</sup> WXQW is licensed for operation on 660 kHz with 10 kW day (ND) and 0.85 kW night (DA), and BP-20170118ABN authorizes a change to ND at night with 0.019 kW using one of the existing towers.

may continue to operate with parameters at variance ND (day and night) using a maximum of 10 kW day and 0.019 kW at night, or using the licensed nighttime DA pattern with reduced power if needed to maintaining nighttime monitor points within licensed limits. Cumulus 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 **August 9, 2018**.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of a large, stylized 'J' followed by a series of loops and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Joseph Szczesny, Engineer  
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cc: Andrew Kersting, RLH (via e-mail only)