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Christopher J. Henderson, Sr. VP and Secretary  
Common Ground Broadcasting, Inc.  
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In re: Common Ground Broadcasting, Inc. (CGB)  
WTBN (AM), Pinellas Park, FL  
Facility Identification Number: 51985  
Special Temporary Authority (STA)  
BESTA- 20160714ABM

Dear Mr. Henderson:

This is in reference to the request filed on January 11, 2016. CGB requests further extension of the STA originally granted on December 6, 1994, for operation at night using the licensed nighttime pattern and an increased power of 10 kW to overcome Cuban interference.<sup>1</sup> In support of the request, CGB stated that the interference continues.

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 station WTBN(AM) may continue to operate with the licensed nighttime pattern increased to 10 kW at night, with no change to the daytime licensed facility. This authority is subject to termination upon reduction of power or cessation of operation by the Cuban operation or upon Commission

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<sup>1</sup> WTBN(AM) is licensed for DA operation on 570 kHz with 5 kW (day and night).

instruction to return to operation per the most recent license (BML-20100506AGM). CGB must reduce power if interference complaints are received.

This authority expires on **February 10, 2017**.

Sincerely,



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