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July 26, 2018

N. David Widener, President  
Holston Valley Broadcasting Corp.  
222 Commerce Street  
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Re: Holston Valley Broadcasting Corp. (HVBC)  
WKTP (AM), Jonesborough, Tennessee  
Facility Identification Number: 27498  
Special Temporary Authority (STA)  
BESTA-20180717AAQ

Dear Mr. Widener:

This is in reference to the request filed on July 17, 2018. HVBC requests a further extension of the STA granted on January 25, 2011, to continue operating with parameters at variance pending further action on the construction permit application BP-20110923AFE.<sup>1</sup> In support of the request, we note that the application remains on hold at this time per the recent request filed by HVBC.

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 the STA is hereby granted, and HVBC may continue to operate with DA parameters at variance and/or reduced power while maintaining monitor points within licensed limits, or with an ND antenna and a maximum power of 1.25 kW. HVBC must reduce power or cease operations if complaints of interference are received, and use whatever means are necessary to protect workers and the public from exposure to radio

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<sup>1</sup> WKTP is licensed for DA operation on 1590 kHz with 5 kW (day and night), and BP-20110923AFE proposes a change to ND operation using 1.8 kW day and 0.023 kW at night, using one of the four licensed towers.

frequency radiation in excess of the Commission's exposure guidelines. *See* 47 CFR § 1.1310.

This authority expires on **January 26, 2019**.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of a large loop followed by a series of smaller, fluid strokes.

Joseph Szczesny, Engineer  
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cc: Dennis J. Kelly, Esq. (via e-mail only)