

Request for Further Extension of Special Temporary Authority

This is in reference to the request for Special Temporary Authority (“STA”) for KJRB(AM), Spokane, Washington filed by Mapleton License of Spokane, LLC (“Mapleton”) on May 8, 2017 (BSTA-20170508AAO), as extended on May 31, 2018 (FCC File No. BESTA-20180531AAC). Mapleton requests a further extension of this STA to continue to operate at night with parameters at variance along with co-located station KGA(AM) (FCC Facility ID No. 11234) due to unresolved antenna system problems.

An application to modify the license of KJRB(AM) was granted on June 18, 2018. *See* FCC File No. BP-20180308AAC. In this application, Mapleton proposes to replace the current daytime and nighttime directional antenna patterns with a non-directional antenna, reducing daytime power to 4.4 kW and nighttime power to 34 Watts. KJRB(AM) will continue to be diplexed with KGA(AM).

Mapleton requests a further extension of its current STA in order to continue to provide uninterrupted operation to its community of license. The new antenna design has been completed and submitted to Kintronic Labs for preliminary cost, manufacture, and delivery.

However, now that the winter season has begun, actual progress, if any, on construction will be limited due to weather conditions. In the meantime, KJRB(AM) is operating at reduced power and maintaining monitor points as per the current STAs.

As noted in the underlying STA, Mapleton will reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received, and will 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.