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Re: Tower Broadcasting LLC (TB)  
WELM(AM), Elmira, NY  
Facility Identification Number: 52120  
Special Temporary Authority (STA)  
BESTA-20210602AAD

Dear Mr. Ichikawa:

This is in reference to the request filed on June 2, 2021. TB requests a further extension of the STA granted on February 5, 2014, to continue operating with nighttime parameters at variance to allow time to file the required FCC Form 302 applications for WELM and WEHH.<sup>1</sup> In support of the request, we noted that TB will require additional time to file the applications to update all operating parameters due to repairs done over the past seven years.

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 TB may continue to operate at night with DA parameters at variance and reduced power to maintain

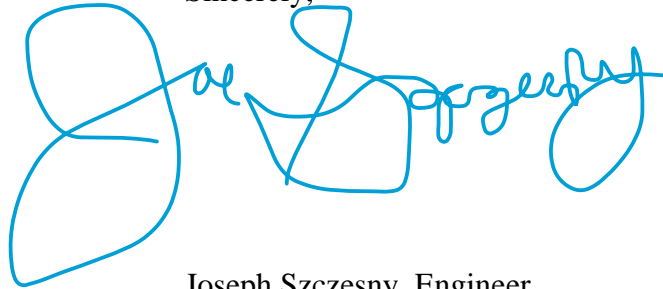
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<sup>1</sup> WELM(AM) is licensed for operation on 1410 kHz with 5 kW day (ND) and 1 kW night (DA).

monitor points within licensed tolerances (or ND at night with a maximum of 0.25 kW), with no change to the licensed 5 kW daytime operation. TB 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 frequency radiation in excess of the Commission's exposure guidelines. *See* 47 CFR §1.1310. TB must submit a brief e-mail to my attention to note the date both applications were filed to allow our staff to determine how much longer the stations will need to operate with temporary parameters.

This authority expires on **December 2, 2021**.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Joe Szczesny", with a large, stylized initial "J" on the left.

Joseph Szczesny, Engineer  
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cc: F. Reid Avett, Esq., WBD LLP (via e-mail only)