

March 14, 2022

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch,
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
45 L Street, N.E.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: Radio Broadcasting Services, Incorporated
Station WCAT(AM)
Burlington, Vermont
FRN: 0007598147
Facility ID No. 73613
STA File No. BSTA-20210310AAG
Request for Extension of Engineering STA
Filing Pursuant Public Notice, DA 22-82, released
January 25, 2022**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Radio Broadcasting Services, Incorporated ("RBSI"), by its attorneys, hereby requests that the Commission grant an extension of the current STA for the operation of Station WCAT(AM), Burlington, Vermont (Facility No. 73613) with facilities at variance with the Station's operating license.

In support of the relief sought, a formal request and an Anti-Drug Certificate are attached hereto.

Upon receipt of filing information, the licensee will make payment of the application processing fee.

Should there be any questions in regard hereto, please communicate with the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,



Barry A. Friedman

Enclosures

cc: Mr. Joseph Szczesny (FCC Audio Division)

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF STA

Station: Station WCAT(AM)
Burlington, Vermont
FIN: 73613

STA: BSTA-20210310AAG

Basis for Requested Extension:

This is a request for a further extension of an STA to operate the Station at 5 kW power output and normal daytime operation with the authorized nondirectional antenna. The issues affecting the Station involve unresolved problems with the nighttime directional antenna system, which prohibit returning the Station to operation with the nighttime directional antenna system (including the phasing and coupling equipment, the transmission lines, and the removal of towers necessary to provide a directional signal). Consequently, it is necessary to operate only during daytime hours and to remain silent during nighttime hours except for brief tests of the proposed nighttime facilities. The Station, on February 22, 2021, was granted a construction permit for the modification of its license in File No. BP-20210128AAB, enabling the Station to operate, once constructed, on a nondirectional basis.

During the present STA period, the licensee has been able to remove the third tower at the transmitter site but has been unable to complete the work necessary to undertake operations in compliance with its construction permit. This is due to problems with the extreme weather in Vermont this winter season, supply chain problems associated with the equipment needed for the construction effort, and the unavailability of a qualified and available tower erection workforce owing to the impact of Covid on them and their families.

In order to permit the Station to continue to serve its listening public, it

is hereby requested that the STA be extended as requested.

RADIO BROADCASTING
SERVICES, INCORPORATED

By: 

Edward Flanagan
President

Dated: March 14, 2022

ANTI-DRUG ABUSE ACT CERTIFICATION

The applicant certifies that, in the case of an individual applicant, he or she is not subject to a denial of federal benefits pursuant to Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988, 21 U.S.C. § 853(a), or, in the case of a non-individual applicant (e.g., corporation, partnership or other unincorporated association), no party to the application is subject to a denial of federal benefits pursuant to that section. For the definition of a "party" for these purposes, the applicant has relied on 47 C.F.R. § 1.2002(b).

Executed at Montpelier, Vermont, on the 14th day of March, 2022.

RADIO BROADCASTING SERVICES,
INCORPORATED

By: 

Edward Flanagan
President