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July 3, 2017

N. David Widener, President
Holston Valley Broadcasting Corp.
222 Commerce Street
Kingsport, TN 37660

Re: Holston Valley Broadcasting Corp. (HVBC)
WKTP (AM), Jonesborough, Tennessee
Facility Identification Number: 27498
Special Temporary Authority (STA)
BESTA-20170601ABI

Dear Mr. Widener:

This is in reference to the request filed on June 1, 2017. HVBC requests a further extension of the STA granted on January 25, 2011, to continue to operate with parameters at variance due to operating problems pending further action on BP-20110923AFE.¹ In support of the request, we note that BP-20110923AFE remains pending before the Commission at this time.

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 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 of 1.25 kW (in order to facilitate restoration of DA operations). It will be necessary to further reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received. HVBC must use whatever means are

¹ WKTP is licensed for DA operation on 1590 kHz with 5 kW (day and night), and BP-20110923AFE proposes a permanent change to ND operation using 1.8 kW day and 0.023 kW at night.

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.

This authority expires on **January 3, 2018**.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of a large, stylized 'J' followed by a series of loops and a final flourish.

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