



Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554
February 16, 2023

Beatriz Archilla, VP
Ochoa Broadcasting Corporation
PO BOX 9230
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Re: Ochoa Broadcasting Corporation (OBC)
WALO (AM), Humacao, PR
Facility Identification Number: 50011
Special Temporary Authority (STA)
BESTA-20230202AAA

Dear Ms. Archilla:

This is in reference to the request filed on February 2, 2023. OBC requests a further extension of the STA granted on February 6, 1991, to continue operating ND at night using a higher power than licensed due to interference from co-channel station HICV, Barahona, Dominican Republic.¹ In support of the request, OBC stated that the interference continues.

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 OBC may continue to operate using the licensed ND antenna system with an increased power of 5 kW at night (with no change to the licensed daytime 1 kW operation). This authority is subject to termination upon reduction of power or cessation of operation by station HICV, or upon Commission instruction to resume licensed 1 kW nighttime operations per BZ-19791004AD. OBC must reduce the nighttime power if complaints of interference are received.

¹ WALO(AM) is licensed for ND operation on 1240 kHz with 1 kW (day and night).

This authority expires on **August 15, 2023**.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Joe Szczesny". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Joseph Szczesny, Engineer
Audio Division
Media Bureau

cc: Francisco R. Montero, Esq., FHH PLC (via e-mail only)