



Federal Communications Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20554  
November 18, 2021

Richard S. Denning, EVP/GC  
Cumulus Licensing LLC  
3280 Peachtree Road, NW, Suite 2200  
Atlanta, GA 30305

Re: Cumulus Licensing LLC (CLL)  
WAAV(AM), Leland, NC  
Facility Identification Number: 25999  
Special Temporary Authority (STA)  
BESTA-20211025AAD

Dear Mr. Denning:

This is in reference to the request filed on October 25, 2021. CLL requests a further extension of the STA granted on February 21, 2019, to continue nighttime ND operation to allow time to file the required FCC Form 301 application to make permanent changes to the licensed facility.<sup>1</sup> In support of the request, CLL states that additional time will be needed to prepare and file the application.

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 CLL may continue to operate ND at night using a maximum of 1.25 kW, with no change to the licensed daytime 5 kW operation. CLL must reduce the nighttime power level or cease operation 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.

This authority expires on **May 17, 2022**.

Sincerely,

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<sup>1</sup> WAAV(AM) is licensed for operation on 980 kHz with 5 kW day (ND) and night (DA).

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Joe Szczesny". The signature is stylized and cursive.

Joseph Szczesny, Engineer  
Audio Division  
Media Bureau

cc: Mark N. Lipp, Esq., FHH, PLC (via email only)