



Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554
August 17, 2023

James E. O’Laughlin, President
Catholic Radio Network, Inc.
1400 NE 42nd Terrace
Kansas City, MO 64116

Re: Catholic Radio Network, Inc. (CRN)
KFEL(AM), Pueblo, CO
Facility Identification Number: 23151
Special Temporary Authority (STA)
LMS File No.: 0000218892

Dear Mr. O’Laughlin:

This is in reference to the request filed on August 3, 2023. CRN requests a further extension of the STA granted on December 10, 2021, to continue operating with a reduced daytime power to allow time to complete all remaining construction steps on the new transmitter building (and to install the new 5 kW transmitter).¹ In support of the request, CRN stated that at least 60 days will be needed to complete the project, including required upgrades from the local electric utility company.

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 CRN may continue to operate with a reduced daytime power of 0.2 kW, with no change to the licensed nighttime 0.185 kW operation. CRN must use whatever means are necessary to protect workers

¹ KFEL(AM) is licensed for ND operation on 970 kHz with 3.2 kW day and 0.185 kW night.

and the public from exposure to radio frequency radiation in excess of the Commission's exposure guidelines. *See* 47 CFR § 1.1310. CRN must submit an electronic resumption of licensed operation notice in LMS right after resuming licensed operations to certify the date the station resumed per the last license (BZ-20170419AIV) with negligible changes to all engineering parameters. This filing is required to verify that a direct measurement of power application filing in LMS is not needed.

This authority expires on **February 12, 2024.** ²

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Joe Szczesny". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Joe" being more prominent and the last name "Szczesny" following in a similar style.

Joseph Szczesny, Engineer
Audio Division
Media Bureau

cc: Dennis J. Kelly, Esq., (via email only)

²Periods of operation pursuant to this STA shall be recorded in the station's records (see 47 CFR § 73.1820). The records shall include start/stop dates and times of such operation. These log entries must be maintained for a minimum of two years as specified in 47 CFR § 73.1840(a), unless a longer retention period is requested by the staff. Periods of operation may be subject to independent verification that they in fact occurred.