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Luis A. Soto, President ARSO Radio Corporation PO Box 363222 San Juan, PR 00936

> Re: ARSO Radio Corporation (ARSO) WORA(AM), Mayaguez, PR Fac. ID No.: 54480 Special Temporary Authority (STA) LMS File No.: 0000241715

Dear Mr. Soto:

This is in reference to the request filed on March 22, 2024. ARSO requests a further extension of the STA granted on October 18, 2021, to continue operating ND with reduced power to allow time to prepare and file the required 302-AM application to update all operating parameters.<sup>1</sup> In support of the request, ARSO stated that it plans to install the new equipment and complete all other necessary modifications in the upcoming months (in order to 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 ARSO may continue to operate ND using tower #2 with a maximum of 1.25 kW, day and night. ARSO must reduce power below 1.25 kW 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. ARSO must file the 302-AM application in LMS after all work to restore licensed operation has been completed due to the extensive repairs done over the past three years (to verify the station is operating properly).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> WORA(AM) is licensed for DA operation on 760 kHz with 5 kW (day and night) using the same pattern.

This authority expires on October 21, 2024.<sup>2</sup>

Sincerely,

Joseph Szczesny, Engineer Audio Division Media Bureau

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Periods 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.