

## Federal Communications Commission Washington, D.C. 20554

August 18, 2023

Pacific Radio Group, Inc. 311 Ano St. Kahului, HI 96732

> Re: Pacific Radio Group, Inc. KMVI(AM), Kahului, HI Fac. ID No.:9678 Special Temporary Authority

## Dear Applicant

This is in reference to the request filed August 16, 2023, on behalf of Pacific Radio Group, Inc. ("PRG"). PRG requests special temporary authority ("STA") to operate station KMVI(AM) with parameters at variance from license values and/or reduced power. <sup>1</sup>

In support of the request, PRG states that in order to facilitate the relocation and adjustment of coowned KNUI(AM) under the parameters of their construction permit (BP-20220623AAC), PRG will need permission to operate with parameters at variance while the new equipment is added to the combined transmission facility. Thus, the station requests an STA to operate with parameters at variance.

Accordingly, the request for STA IS HEREBY GRANTED. Station KMVI(AM) may operate with parameters at variance from license values and/or reduced power to facilitate the relocation of KMVI(AM). It will be necessary to further reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received. The licensee must 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 February 14, 2024.

STA Advisory: Section 309(f) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, authorizes the Commission to grant STA in cases of "extraordinary circumstances requiring temporary authorizations in the public interest and when delay in the institution of the temporary operations would seriously prejudice the public interest." However, Section 309(f) is not a means by which a licensee/permittee may circumvent established processing procedures which require the filing of

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> KMVI(AM) is licensed for operation on 900 kHz with a daytime and nighttime power of 5 kilowatts, employing a non-directional antenna pattern (ND1-U).

an application, nor is it a means by which a broadcaster may enhance his facility or make operation more convenient for the broadcaster. Stations operating with less than licensed facilities under temporary authorities can be viewed as receiving the benefit of a larger protection area than that in which they are currently providing service.

Accordingly, Special Temporary Authorities by nature are to be temporary and are not intended for extended use. Licensees of stations operating under temporary authorities are reminded that timely restoration of permanent facilities is the responsibility of the licensee and should be undertaken expeditiously. Any request for extension of special temporary authorities carries an increased burden with each subsequent request.

Therefore, 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.

Sincerely,

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