

Federal Communications Commission Washington, D.C. 20554 October 11, 2023

Laurie J. Campbell, President Plymouth Rock Broadcasting Co. Inc. 17 Columbus Road Plymouth, MA 02360

> Re: Plymouth Rock Broadcasting Co. Inc. (PRB) WPLM(AM), Plymouth, MA Facility Identification Number: 52837 Special Temporary Authority (STA) LMS File No.: 0000221385

Dear Dr. Campbell:

This is in reference to the request filed on September 25, 2023. PRB requests a further extension of the STA granted on October 9, 2015, to continue operating day and night using the nighttime DA pattern with reduced power to allow time to complete all remaining repairs and then file the required direct measurement of power application (302-AM) in LMS.¹ In support of the request, PRB states that additional time is needed to finish replacing the sample loops and all other needed work before the application can be filed to update all operating parameters.

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 PRB may continue to operate day and night with DA parameters at variance using the licensed nighttime directional antenna pattern with a maximum of 2.5 kW daytime, and a maximum of 5 kW nighttime, while maintaining all day and night monitor points within licensed maximums. PRB 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.

¹ WPLM(AM)) is licensed for DA operation on 1390 kHz with 5 kW day and night, using different patterns.

This authority expires on April 10, 2024.²

Sincerely,

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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.