



Federal Communications Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20554  
October 6, 2023

Richard S. Denning, EVP/GC  
Cumulus Licensing LLC  
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Suite 500  
Atlanta, GA 30342

Re: Cumulus Licensing, LLC (CLL)  
WAYS(AM), Conway, SC  
Fac. ID No.: 17484  
Special Temporary Authority (STA)  
LMS File No.: 0000221339

Dear Mr. Denning:

This is in reference to the request filed on September 25, 2023. CLL requests a final extension of the STA granted on November 3, 2022, as last modified on March 29, 2023, to continue operating with a reduced daytime power level to allow time to install the new 5 kW daytime transmitter.<sup>1</sup> In support of the request, CLL stated that the transmitter has been delivered, and the installation will be completed as soon as possible.

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 with a reduced nominal daytime power of 1 kW with no change to the licensed nighttime DA operation. CLL 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. After CLL has installed the new transmitter, a Restoration of Licensed Operation notice must be filed in LMS to certify the date the station was able to resume licensed operations per BMML-20150821ACA with negligible changes to all engineering parameters.

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<sup>1</sup>WAYS(AM) is licensed for DA operation on 1050 kHz with 5 kW day and 0.473 kW night using different patterns.

This authority expires on **April 5, 2024**.<sup>2</sup>

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Joe Szczesny". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Joe" written in a large, looped script and the last name "Szczesny" in a more compact, cursive style.

Joseph Szczesny, Engineer  
Audio Division  
Media Bureau

cc: Mark N. Lipp, Esq., FHH PLC (via e-mail only)

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<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.