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January 14, 2020

David P. Stephens, Manager  
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Tusla, OK 74137

Re: SMG-Spokane, LLC (SMG)  
KGA(AM), Spokane, WA  
Facility Identification Number: 11234  
Special Temporary Authority (STA)  
BESTA-20191231AAC

Dear Mr. Stephens:

This is in reference to the request filed on December 31, 2019. SMG requests an extension of the STA granted on May 11, 2017, to continue operating with parameters at variance to allow time to file the required FCC Form 302 applications for KGA and KJRB.<sup>1</sup> In support of the request, SMG requests additional time to file both applications.

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.

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<sup>1</sup> KGA(AM) is licensed for DA operation on 1510 kHz with 50 kW (day) and 15 kW (night). BMP-20190531ABB and BP-20180308AAC authorize a change from DA to ND for both stations, using the existing taller tower.

Accordingly, the request for extension of the STA IS HEREBY GRANTED, and SMG may continue to operate daytime using the licensed nighttime pattern with a maximum of 14 kW while maintaining the nighttime monitoring points within licensed limits (with no change to the licensed nighttime 15 kW operation). SMG must reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received, and 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 **July 14, 2020.**

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of a large, stylized 'J' followed by a series of loops and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Joseph Szczesny, Engineer  
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cc: Joseph C. Chautin, III, Esq., HCC&B LLP (via email only)