



Federal Communications Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20554  
May 3, 2024

Larry Nelson, CEO  
American Education Foundation, Inc.  
One Broadcast Center  
Plano, IL 60545

Re: American Education Foundation, Inc. (AEF)  
WOAM(AM), Peoria, IL  
Facility Identification Number: 33878  
Special Temporary Authority (STA)  
LMS File No.: 0000243793

Dear Mr. Nelson:

This is in reference to the request filed on April 22, 2024. AEF requests a further extension of the STA granted on May 2, 2022, to continue operating with DA parameters at variance and reduced power due to the pending minor change application (0000222555).<sup>1</sup> In support of the request, we noted that AEF has recently requested the application be placed on hold to allow time to file a curative amendment.

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 STA IS HEREBY GRANTED, and AEF may continue to operate with day and night parameters at variance using a reduced power of 0.5 kW while maintaining all monitor points within licensed limits. AEF must reduce power further or cease operation if complaints of interference are received and must use whatever means are

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<sup>1</sup> WOAM is licensed for DA operation on 1350 kHz with 1 kW (day and night) using different patterns, and 0000222555 proposes new day and night DA patterns using the four existing licensed towers.

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 **October 30, 2024**.<sup>2</sup>

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Joe Szczesny". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Joseph Szczesny, Engineer  
Audio Division  
Media Bureau

cc: John S. Neely, Esq., MN PC (via e-mail)

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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.