

**FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20554**

**IN REPLY REFER TO:
1800B3-KLJ**

November 10, 2009

James M. Weitzman
Potomac Radio, LLC
2131 Crimmins Lane
Falls Church, VA 22043

In re: WAGE(AM), Leesburg, VA
Facility ID No. 54876
Silent Since August 3, 2009
Request For Special Temporary
Authority To Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Weitzman:

This letter concerns the request, filed on August 4, 2009, on behalf of Potomac Radio, LLC for Special Temporary Authority to permit AM Station WAGE to remain silent.

Potomac Radio, LLC's request states that WAGE(AM) went silent on August 3, 2009, due to regulatory and technical problems. Potomac Radio, LLC's request includes the appropriate certification regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.¹

Potomac Radio, LLC's request will be granted. Accordingly, Special temporary Authority is granted to permit Station WAGE(AM) to remain silent for a period not to exceed 180 days from the date of this letter. **Notwithstanding the grant of this special temporary authority, the broadcast license for WAGE(AM) will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not commence by 12:01 a.m. August 4, 2010².** See Section 312(g) of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. Section 312(g).


¹ In the event extension of special temporary authority is sought, please renew the certification in this manner.

² Notification of resumption of broadcast operations must be mailed to:

Federal Communications Commission
Attn: 1800B3-DW, Room 2-B450
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D. C. 20554

The station's silent status does not suspend the licensee's obligation to comply with all other relevant Commission rules, including the filing, when appropriate, of applications for renewal of broadcast license. Finally, we note that it is imperative to the safety of air navigation that any prescribed painting and illumination of the station's tower shall be maintained until removed. *See* 47 C.F.R. Sections 17.6 and 73.1740(a)(4).

Sincerely,



for H. Taft Snowdon
Supervisory Attorney
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Media Bureau

cc: Barry A. Friedman, Esq.