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IN REPLY REFER TO: 1800B3-DW

Thomas C. Birch, President Lakes Media, LLC 7120 Trenton Ridge Court Raleigh, NC 27613

In re: W279AO, Danville, VA

Facility ID No. 154006 Silent Since November 6, 2009 Request For Special Temporary Authority To Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Birch:

This letter concerns your request, filed on November 20, 2009, on behalf of Lakes Media, LLC ("LM") for Special Temporary Authority to permit FM Translator Station W279AO to remain silent.

LM's request states that W279AO went silent on November 6, 2009, pending the move of its transmitter site. LM's request includes the appropriate certification regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.

LM's request will be granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit FM Translator Station W279AO 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 W279AO will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not commence by 12:01 a.m. on November 7, 2010.² 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 matter.

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

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. In addition, 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,

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