

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

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

December 17, 2009

William Bowman
900 Bluefield Avenue
Bluefield, WV 24701

In re: WBDY(AM), Bluefield, VA
Facility ID No. 6003
Silent Since February 1, 2009

Request For Extension of Special Temporary
Authority To Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Bowman:

This letter concerns the request, filed on September 10, 2009 for Special Temporary Authority ("STA") to permit AM Station WBDY to remain silent.

Commission records reflect that WBDY(AM) went silent on February 1, 2009 for financial reasons. On March 10, 2009, you requested an STA for the station to remain silent until the financial difficulties can be resolved. The STA was granted March 18, 2009, and expired September 14, 2009. Your current request states that the financial problems remain. Accordingly, you request that the STA be extended. Your request includes the appropriate certification regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.

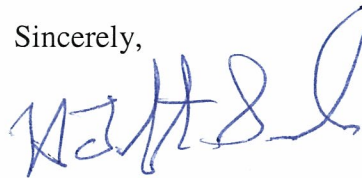
Your request will be granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station WBDY(AM) to remain silent until February 1, 2010. **Notwithstanding the grant of this special temporary authority, the broadcast license for WBDY(AM) will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not commence by 12:01 a.m. , February 2, 2010.**¹ See Section 312(g) of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. Section 312(g).

¹ Notification of resumption of broadcast operations must either be electronically filed or mailed to:

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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 stations' towers shall be maintained. See 47 C.F.R. Sections 17.6 and 73.1740(a)(4).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "H. Taft Snowdon". The signature is stylized and cursive, with a large loop at the end.

H. Taft Snowdon
Supervisory Attorney
Audio Division
Media Bureau