

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

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

October 14, 2010

Patrick W. Cooney
WAMC
318 Central Avenue
Albany, NY 12206

In re: W246BJ, Hudson, NY
Facility ID No. 147822
Silent Since July 27, 2010

Request For Special Temporary
Authority To Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Cooney:

This letter concerns the request, filed on July 28, 2010, on behalf of WAMC, for Special Temporary Authority to permit FM Translator Station W246BJ to remain silent.

WAMC's request states that W246BJ went silent on July 27, 2010, due to technical problems. WAMC's request includes the appropriate certification regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.¹

WAMC's request will be granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station W246BJ to remain silent not to exceed 180 days from the date of this letter. **Notwithstanding the grant of this special temporary authority, the broadcast license for W246BJ will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not commence by 12:01 a.m., July 28, 2011.**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 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "H. Taft Snowdon". The signature is written in a cursive, somewhat stylized font.

H. Taft Snowdon
Supervisory Attorney
Audio Division
Media Bureau

cc: Margaret L. Miller, Esq.