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WASHINGTON, D. C. 20554

IN REPLY REFER TO:
1800B3-KLJ

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John W. Dickey
Cumulus Licensing LLC
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Atlanta, GA 30305

In re: WTOD(AM), Hartsville, SC
Facility ID No. 26328
Silent Since September 30, 2010

Request For Special Temporary
Authority To Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Dickey:

This letter concerns the request, filed on October 5, 2010, on behalf of Cumulus Licensing LLC ("Cumulus"), for Special Temporary Authority to permit AM Station WTOD to remain silent.

Cumulus' request states that WTOD(AM) went silent on September 30, 2010, due to technical problems. Cumulus' request includes the appropriate certification regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.¹

Cumulus' request will be granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station WTOD(AM) 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 WTOD(AM) will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not commence by 12:01 a.m., October 1, 2011.**² See Section 312(g) of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. Section 312(g).

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

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

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,

Penelope R. Dade

for H. Taft Snowdon
Supervisory Attorney
Audio Division
Media Bureau

cc: Mark N. Lipp, Esq.