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IN REPLY REFER TO: 1800B3-FMH

Mike Novak Educational Media Foundation 5700 West Oaks Blvd. Rocklin, CA 95765

In re: K231BE, Lubbock, TX
Facility ID No. 139462
Silent Since July 1, 2011

Request For Special Temporary Authority To Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Novak:

This letter concerns the request, filed on August 2, 2011, on behalf of Educational Media Foundation ("Educational"), for Special Temporary Authority to permit FM Translator Station K231BE to remain silent.

Educational's request states that K231BE went silent on July 1, 2011, due to technical problems. Educational's request includes the appropriate certification regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.¹

Educational's request will be granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit FM Translator Station K231BE 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 K231BE will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not commence by 12:01 a.m., July 2, 2012. 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

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

² In addition to filing electronically with the Commission on the date operations resume, notification of resumption of broadcast operations must be emailed to <u>Denise.Williams@FCC.gov</u>.

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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