FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20554

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IN REPLY REFER TO: 1800B3-DW

James Wilson, III, President Wilson Broadcasting Co., Inc. 4106 Ross Clark Circle Dothan, AL 36303

> In re: WAGF(AM), Dothan, AL Facility ID No. 30278 Silent Since December 31, 2010 Request For Special Temporary Authority To Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Wilson:

This letter concerns the request, filed on January 5, 2011, on behalf of Wilson Broadcasting Co., Inc., ("Wilson") for Special Temporary Authority to permit AM Station WAGF to remain silent.

Wilson's request states that WAGF(AM) went silent on December 31, 2010, due to lightning damage to its equipment. Your request includes the appropriate certification regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.

Wilson's request will be granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station WAGF(AM) to remain silent for a period not to exceed December 31, 2011. Notwithstanding the grant of this special temporary authority, the broadcast license for WAGF(AM) will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not commence by 12:01 a.m. on January 1, 2012.¹ 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

¹ 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>.

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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cc: Dan J. Alpert, Esq.