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

October 18, 2011

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

Robert Ladd
297 Fillmore St
Naples, FL 34104

In re: W251BL, Everglades City, FL
Facility ID No. 139429
Silent Since May 25, 2011

Request For Special Temporary
Authority To Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Ladd

This letter concerns the request, filed on May 27, 2011, for Special Temporary Authority to permit FM Translator Station W251BL to remain silent.

Your request states that W251BL went silent on May 25, 2011, due to the relocation of the station's transmitter site. 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 FM Translator Station W251BL to remain silent not to exceed May 25, 2012. **Notwithstanding the grant of this special temporary authority, the broadcast license for W251BL will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not commence by 12:01 a.m., May 26, 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 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).

¹ In addition to filing electronically with the Commission on the date operations resume, notification of resumption of broadcast operations must be emailed to Denise.Williams@FCC.gov.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'H. Taft Snowdon', written in a cursive style.

H. Taft Snowdon
Supervisory Attorney
Audio Division
Media Bureau