

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

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**IN REPLY REFER TO:
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In re: W279BT, Cleveland, OH
Facility ID No. 153187
Silent since July 19, 2011

Request for Special Temporary
Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Ms. Ross:

This letter concerns the request you filed on September 7, 2011, on behalf of Educational Media Foundation ("EMF"), for Special Temporary Authority to permit FM Translator Station W279BT to remain silent.

EMF's request states that Station W279BT went silent on July 19, 2011, due to the loss of its programming source. The request includes the appropriate certification regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.¹

EMF's request will be granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station W279BT 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 Station W279BT will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not commence by 12:01 a.m., July 20, 2012.**² See Section 312(g) of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. § 312(g).

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 Denise.Williams@FCC.gov.

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. §§ 17.6 and 73.1740(a)(4).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Lisa Scanlan". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Lisa" and last name "Scanlan" clearly distinguishable.

Lisa A. Scanlan
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