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In re: **WDDM(FM), Hazlet, NJ**
Facility ID No. 70644
Silent since May 16, 2011

Request for Extension of Special Temporary
Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Tepper:

This letter concerns the request you filed on January 18, 2012, on behalf of WVRM, Inc. ("WVRM"), for extension of Special Temporary Authority to permit FM Radio Station WDDM to remain silent.

Commission records reflect that WVRM stated that Station WDDM(FM) went silent on May 16, 2011, for technical reasons. The previous STA was granted on July 28, 2011, and expired on January 25, 2012. WVRM requests extension of its STA because its technical problems continue. The request includes the appropriate certification regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.

WVRM's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station WDDM(FM) to remain silent until May 16, 2012. **Notwithstanding the grant of this Special Temporary Authority, the broadcast license for Station WDDM(FM) will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not commence by 12:01 a.m., May 17, 2012.**¹ See Section 312(g) of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. § 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. §§ 17.6 and 73.1740(a)(4).

Sincerely,



Lisa A. Scanlan
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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.