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IN REPLY REFER TO: 1800B3-VM

Michael Baldauf PO Box 457 Rye, CO 81069

> In re: K262AQ, Colorado Springs, CO Facility ID No. 139086 Silent since May 31, 2011

> > Request for Extension of Special Temporary Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Baldauf:

This letter concerns the request you filed on February 24, 2012, for extension of Special Temporary Authority to permit FM Translator Station K262AQ to remain silent.

Commission records reflect that you stated that Station K262AQ went silent on May 31, 2011, pending construction of its proposed new facilities. The previous STA was granted on August 29, 2011, and expired on February 25, 2012. You request extension of your STA because construction of your new facilities is not complete. The request includes the appropriate certification regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.

Your request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station K262AQ to remain silent until May 31, 2012. Notwithstanding the grant of this Special Temporary Authority, the broadcast license for Station K262AQ will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not commence by 12:01 a.m., June 1, 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,

Rica Scandan

Lisa A. Scanlan Assistant Chief, Audio Division Media Bureau

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>.