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Wolfgang Kurtz Alaska Educational Radio System, Inc. 33282 Brown's Lake Road Soldotna, AK 99669

In re: KRAW(FM), Kasilof, AK

Facility ID No. 93248 Silent since May 17, 2012

Request for Special Temporary Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Kurtz:

This letter concerns the request you filed on May 29, 2012, on behalf of Alaska Educational Radio System, Inc. ("AER"), for Special Temporary Authority to permit FM Radio Station KRAW to remain silent.

AER's request states that Station KRAW(FM) went silent on May 17, 2012, due to severe windstorm damage to the station. The request includes the appropriate certification regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.¹

AER's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station KRAW(FM) 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 KRAW(FM) will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not commence by 12:01 a.m., May 18, 2013. 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, Risa Sa

Lisa A. Scanlan Assistant Chief, Audio Division

Media Bureau

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 <u>Denise Williams@FCC.gov</u>.