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IN REPLY REFER TO: 1800B3-FMH

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In re: WHJC(AM), Matewan, WV

Facility ID No. 67038

Silent since November 22, 2011

Request for Extension of Special Temporary

Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Peltzman:

This letter concerns the request you filed on June 26, 2012, on behalf of Hatfield McCoy Communications, Inc. ("HMC"), for extension of Special Temporary Authority to permit AM Radio Station WHJC to remain silent.

Commission records reflect that HMC stated that Station WHJC(AM) went silent on November 22, 2011, due to financial problems. The previous STA was granted on January 19, 2012, and expired on July 17, 2012. HMC requests extension of its STA for continued financial reasons. The request includes the appropriate certification regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.

HMC's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station WHJC(AM) to remain silent until November 22, 2012. Notwithstanding the grant of this Special Temporary Authority, the broadcast license for Station WHJC(AM) will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not commence by 12:01 a.m., November 23, 2012. 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.

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