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IN REPLY REFER TO: 1800B3-FMH

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In re: WSUP(FM), Platteville, WI

Facility ID No. 4278 Silent since June 10, 2013

Request for Special Temporary Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Persh:

This letter concerns the request you filed on June 20, 2013, on behalf of Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin System ("BRU"), for Special Temporary Authority to permit FM Radio Station WSUP to remain silent.

BRU's request states that Station WSUP (FM) went silent on June 10, 2013, due to staffing issues. The request includes the appropriate certification regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.¹

BRU's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station WSUP (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 WSUP (FM) will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not commence by 12:01 a.m., June 11, 2014.² 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 Scanlan

Assistant Chief, Audio Division

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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>.