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In re: WQMS(AM), Quitman, MS
Facility ID No. 54325
Silent since September 29, 2014

Request for Extension of Special Temporary
Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Jazzo:

This letter concerns the request you filed on April 30, 2015, on behalf of Matadors, LLC ("Matadors"), for extension of Special Temporary Authority to permit AM Radio Station WQMS to remain silent.

Commission records reflect that Matadors stated that Station WQMS(AM) went silent on September 29, 2014, for technical reasons. The previous STA was granted on November 6, 2014, and expired on May 5, 2015. Matadors requests extension of its STA for technical reasons. The request includes the appropriate certification regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.

Matadors' request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station WQMS(AM) to remain silent until September 29, 2015. **Notwithstanding the grant of this Special Temporary Authority, the broadcast license for Station WQMS(AM) will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not commence by 12:01 a.m., September 30, 2015.**¹

Matadors is required to notify the Commission when broadcast operations resume. If Matadors does not file the notification of resumption of operations in a timely manner, the license may be subject to cancellation pursuant to Section 312(g) of the Communications Act, as amended.²

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

¹ See 47 U.S.C. § 312(g).

² In addition to filing a notification of resumption of operations electronically on the date operations resume, notification of resumption must also be emailed to Denise.Williams@FCC.gov.

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,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Lisa Scanlan".

Lisa Scanlan
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