## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20554

DEC 0 4 2815

In reply refer to: 1800B3-DW

Dennis J. Kelly, Esq. P.O. Box 41177 Washington, DC 20018

> In re: W248CH, Belleville, IL Facility ID No. 144050 Silent since April 23, 2015

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

Dear Mr. Kelly:

This letter concerns the request you filed on November 3, 2015, on behalf of Covenant Network ("CN"), for extension of Special Temporary Authority ("STA") to permit FM Translator Station W248CH to remain silent.

Commission records reflect that CN stated that Station W248CH went silent on April 23, 2015, for technical reasons. The previous STA was granted on May 7, 2015, and expired on November 3, 2015. CN requests extension of its STA for continuing technical reasons. The request includes the appropriate certification regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.

CN's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station W248CH to remain silent until April 23, 2016. Notwithstanding the grant of this Special Temporary Authority, the broadcast license for Station W248CH will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not resume by 12:01 a.m., April 24, 2016.<sup>1</sup>

CN is required to notify the Commission when broadcast operations resume. If CN 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.<sup>2</sup>

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. 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.<sup>3</sup>

Sincerely,

Ins Scarlax IVM

Lisa Scanlan Assistant Chief, Audio Division Media Bureau

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See 47 U.S.C. § 312(g).

 $<sup>^2</sup>$  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.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See 47 C.F.R. §§ 17.6 and 73.1740(a)(4).