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In re: **W256AZ, Mount Carmel, IL**
Facility ID No. 152770
Silent since March 21, 2016

Request for Extension of Special Temporary
Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Ms. Sciarrino:

This letter concerns the request you filed on October 19, 2016, on behalf of WYNG, LLC (WYNG), for extension of Special Temporary Authority (STA) to permit FM Translator Station W256AZ to remain silent.

Commission records reflect that WYNG stated that Station W256AZ went silent on March 21, 2016, for technical reasons. The previous STA was granted on April 13, 2016, and expired on October 10, 2016. WYNG 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.

WYNG's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station W256AZ to remain silent until March 21, 2017. **Notwithstanding the grant of this Special Temporary Authority, the broadcast license for Station W256AZ will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not commence by 12:01 a.m., March 22, 2017.**¹

WYNG is required to notify the Commission when broadcast operations resume. If WYNG 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 painting and illumination of the station's tower shall be maintained until removed.³

Sincerely,



Lisa Scanlan
Assistant Chief, Audio Division
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¹ See 47 U.S.C. § 312(g).

² *Id.* 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.

³ See 47 CFR §§ 17.6 and 73.1740(a)(4).