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In reply refer to: 1800B3-KC

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In re: WGSB(AM), Mebane, NC

Facility ID No. 25036 Silent since January 13, 2017

Request for Extension of Special Temporary

Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Mr. McCormick:

This letter concerns the request you filed on August 11, 2017, on behalf of Estuardo Valdemar Rodriguez and Leonor Rodriguez (EVR&LR), for extension of Special Temporary Authority (STA) to permit AM Radio Station WGSB to remain silent.

Commission records reflect that EVR&LR stated that Station WGSB(AM) went silent on January 13, 2017, for technical reasons. The previous STA was granted on February 15, 2017, and expired on August 14, 2017. EVR&LR 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.

EVR&LR's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station WGSB(AM) to remain silent until January 13, 2018. Notwithstanding the grant of this Special Temporary Authority, the broadcast license for Station WGSB(AM) will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not resume by 12:01 a.m., January 14, 2018.

EVR&LR is required to notify the Commission when broadcast operations resume. If EVR&LR 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, Line Semlan I w

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> *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.

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