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In re: **WNBZ(AM), Saranac Lake, NY**  
Facility ID No. 73314  
Silent since June 17, 2017

Request for Special Temporary  
Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Ms. McClure:

This letter concerns the request you filed on June 23, 2017, on behalf of Saranac Lake Radio, LLC (SLR), for Special Temporary Authority (STA) to permit AM Radio Station WNBZ to remain silent.

SLR's request states that Station WNBZ(AM) went silent on June 17, 2017, for technical reasons. The request includes the appropriate certification regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.<sup>1</sup>

SLR's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station WNBZ(AM) 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 WNBZ(AM) will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not resume by 12:01 a.m., June 18, 2018.**<sup>2</sup>

SLR is required to notify the Commission when broadcast operations resume. If SLR 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>3</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>4</sup>

Sincerely,



Lisa Scanlan  
Deputy Chief, Audio Division  
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<sup>1</sup> In the event extension of special temporary authority is sought, please renew the certification in this matter.

<sup>2</sup> See 47 U.S.C. § 312(g).

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