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In re: **W298AM, Aurora, FL**
Facility ID No. 138466
Silent since December 31, 2016

Request for Extension of Special Temporary
Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Jazzo:

This letter concerns the request you filed on November 1, 2017, on behalf of Caron Broadcasting, Inc. (CB), for extension of Special Temporary Authority (STA) to permit FM Translator Station W298AM to remain silent.

Commission records reflect that CB stated that Station W298AM went silent on December 31, 2016, pending the proposed modification of its facilities. The previous STA was granted on May 8, 2017, and expired on November 4, 2017. CB requests extension of its STA because its modification remains pending. The request includes the appropriate certification regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.

CB's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station W298AM to remain silent until December 31, 2017. **Notwithstanding the grant of this Special Temporary Authority, the broadcast license for Station W298AM will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not resume by 12:01 a.m., January 1, 2018.¹**

CB is required to notify the Commission when broadcast operations resume. If CB 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. 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
Deputy 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 C.F.R. §§ 17.6 and 73.1740(a)(4).