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Ms. Chris Moore-Backman Chico Peace and Justice Center 526 Broadway St. Chico, CA 95928 JAN 2 4 2018

In re: KWQA-LP, Chico, CA

Facility ID No. 195770 Silent since January 3, 2018

Request for Special Temporary Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Ms. Backman:

This letter concerns the request you filed on January 3, 2018, on behalf of Chico Peace and Justice Center (Chico), for Special Temporary Authority to permit FM Low Power Radio Station KWQA to remain silent.

Chico's request states that Station KWQA(FM) went silent on January 3, 2018, for technical reasons. The request includes the appropriate certification regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.

Chico's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station KWQA(FM) 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 KWQA(FM) will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not commence by 12:01 a.m., January 4, 2019.

Chico is required to notify the Commission when broadcast operations resume. If Chico 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

Deputy Chief, Audio Division

Media Bureau

¹ See 47 U.S.C. § 312(g).

² 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).