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In re: **WALQ(AM), Carrville, AL**
Facility ID No. 68309
Silent since November 6, 2017

Request for Extension of Special Temporary
Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Mr. O'Neil:

This letter concerns the request you filed on May 9, 2018, on behalf of Westburg Broadcasting Montgomery, LLC (WBM), for extension of Special Temporary Authority (STA) to permit AM Radio Station WALQ to remain silent.

Commission records reflect that WBM stated that Station WALQ(AM) went silent on November 6, 2017, for financial reasons. The previous STA was granted on November 29, 2017, and expired on May 28, 2018. WBM requests extension of its STA for continuing financial reasons. The request includes the appropriate certification regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.

WBM's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station WALQ(AM) to remain silent until November 6, 2018. **Notwithstanding the grant of this Special Temporary Authority, the broadcast license for Station WALQ(AM) will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not resume by 12:01 a.m., November 7, 2018.**¹

WBM is required to notify the Commission when broadcast operations resume. If WBM 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
Media Bureau

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).