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In reply refer to: 1800B3-DW

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Ms. Terry Hammond MonsterFM.com/Broadcast Technical Services 5332 North Walston Bridge Road Jasper, AL 35504

In re: WQJJ-LP, Jasper, AL

Facility ID No. 135721 Silent since October 17, 2018

Request for Special Temporary Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Ms. Hammond:

This letter concerns the request you filed on December 10, 2018, on behalf of North Alabama Public Service Broadcasters (NAPSB), for Special Temporary Authority (STA) to permit Low-Power FM Radio Station WQJJ-LP to remain silent.

NAPSB's request states that Station WQJJ-LP went silent on October 17, 2018, for technical reasons. The request includes the appropriate certification regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.<sup>1</sup>

NAPSB's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station WQJJ-LP 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 WQJJ-LP will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not resume by 12:01 a.m., October 18, 2019.<sup>2</sup>

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

Finally, Section 73.1740(a)(4) of the Commission's Rules permits licensees to temporarily discontinue operations for good cause, and for a period not to exceed 30 days without further authority.<sup>5</sup> This rule requires that the licensee notify the Commission by letter not later than the 10<sup>th</sup> day of limited or discontinued operations, and requires a licensee to seek Commission authorization for any period of limited or discontinued operations exceeding 30 days. NAPSB failed to submit a timely request for an

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> In the event extension of special temporary authority is sought, please renew the certification in this matter.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See 47 U.S.C. § 312(g).

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> See 47 C.F.R. § 73.1740(a)(4).

STA to permit Station WQJJ-LP to remain silent beyond November 17, 2018, and the action taken herein shall not be construed as authorizing the station to remain silent between November 17, 2018, and December 10, 2018.

Sincerely,

Lisa Scanlan

Deputy Chief, Audio Division

Media Bureau