

**FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
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In reply refer to: 1800B3-DW

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In re: **WBSG(AM), Lajas, PR**
Facility ID No. 53629
Silent since September 20, 2017

Request for Extension of Special Temporary
Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Miller:

This letter concerns the request you filed on March 11, 2019, on behalf of Perry Broadcasting Systems (PBS), for extension of Special Temporary Authority (STA) to permit AM Radio Station WBSG to remain silent.¹

Commission records reflect that PBS stated that Station WBSG(AM) went silent on September 20, 2017, for technical reasons. The previous STA was granted on January 4, 2018, and expired on July 3, 2018. Commission records also reflect that PBS requested extension of its STA on September 13, 2018 for continuing technical reasons. The request includes the appropriate certification regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.

PBS's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station WBSG(AM) to remain silent until September 20, 2019. **Notwithstanding the grant of this Special Temporary Authority, the broadcast license for Station WBSG(AM) will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not resume by 12:01 a.m., September 21, 2019.**²

PBS is required to notify the Commission when broadcast operations resume. If PBS 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.³

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.⁴

Sincerely,



Lisa Scanlan
Deputy Chief, Audio Division
Media Bureau

¹ We are considering PBS's request for an additional extension of STA pursuant to the Media Bureau Public Notice DA-18-901 (August 30, 2018), because PBS is unable to resume operation due to damage from Hurricane Maria.

² See 47 U.S.C. § 312(g).

³ *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.

⁴ See 47 C.F.R. §§ 17.6 and 73.1740(a)(4).