FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20554

In reply refer to: 1800B3-KC

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Mr. James E. Price, III Sterling Communications, Inc. PO Box 1877 Lafayette, GA 30728

> In re: W250CO, Appleton, WI Facility ID No. 140786 Silent since November 28, 2018

> > Request for Extension of Special Temporary Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Price:

This letter concerns the request you filed on August 21, 2019, on behalf of VCY America, Inc. (VCYA), for extension of Special Temporary Authority (STA) to permit FM Translator Station W250CO to remain silent.

Commission records reflect that VCYA stated that Station W250CO went silent on November 28, 2018, for technical reasons. The previous STA was granted on February 8, 2019, and expired on August 6, 2019. VCYA requests extension of its STA pending the proposed modification of its facilities. The request includes the appropriate certification regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.

VCYA's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station W250CO to remain silent until November 28, 2019. Notwithstanding the grant of this Special Temporary Authority, the broadcast license for Station W250CO will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not resume by 12:01 a.m., November 29, 2019.¹

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

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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).