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In re: WBNK(FM), Pine Knoll Shores, NC
Facility ID No. 170178
Silent since April 28 2015

Request for Special Temporary
Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Trent:

This letter concerns the request you filed on April 27, 2015, on behalf of Towers Investment Trust, Inc. ("Towers"), for Special Temporary Authority to permit FM Radio Station WBNK to remain silent.

Towers' request states that Station WBNK(FM) went silent on April 28, 2015, due to financial reasons. The request includes the appropriate certification regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.¹

Towers' request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station WBNK(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 WBNK(FM) will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not commence by 12:01 a.m., April 29, 2016.**²

Towers is required to notify the Commission when broadcast operations resume. If Towers 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. Finally, we note that it is imperative to the safety of air navigation that any prescribed

¹ In the event extension of special temporary authority is sought, please renew the certification in this matter.

² See 47 U.S.C. § 312(g).

³ 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.

painting and illumination of the station's tower shall be maintained until removed. *See* 47 C.F.R. §§ 17.6 and 73.1740(a)(4).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Lisa Scanlan".

Lisa Scanlan
Assistant Chief, Audio Division
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