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**IN REPLY REFER TO:
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In re: WINT(AM), Melbourne, FL
Facility ID No. 60388
Silent since February 16, 2011

Request for Extension of Special Temporary
Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Lipp:

This letter concerns the request you filed on September 19, 2011, on behalf of Cumulus Licensing, LLC ("CL"), for extension of Special Temporary Authority to permit AM Radio Station WINT to remain silent.

Commission records reflect that Station WINT(AM) went silent on February 16, 2011, after thieves vandalized and severely damaged the station. The previous STA was granted on March 22, 2011, and expired on September 18, 2011. CL requests extension of the STA because repairs to the station were hindered by bad weather. The request includes the appropriate certification regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.

CL's request will be granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station WINT(AM) to remain silent until February 16, 2012. **Notwithstanding the grant of this Special Temporary Authority, the broadcast license for Station WINT(AM) will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not commence by 12:01 a.m., February 17, 2012.¹** See Section 312(g) of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. § 312(g).

¹ In addition to filing electronically with the Commission on the date operations resume, notification of resumption of broadcast operations must be emailed to Denise.Williams@FCC.gov.

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 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,



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