

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
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IN REPLY REFER TO:
1800B3-FMH

Eva Vasquez-Camacho
Radio Campesina Bakersfield, Inc.
2900 Tehachapi Road
Keene, CA 93531

In re: **KBDS(FM), Taft, CA**
Facility ID No. 456
Silent Since November 16, 2010
Request For Special Temporary
Authority To Remain Silent

Dear Ms. Vasquez- Camacho:

This letter concerns the request, filed on May 23, 2011; on behalf of Radio Campesina Bakersfield, Inc. ("RCB"), for Special Temporary Authority to permit FM Station KBDS remain silent.

RCB's request states that KBDS(FM) went silent on November 16, 2010, for financial reasons. RCB's request includes the appropriate certification regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.¹

RCB's request will be granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station KBDS(FM) to remain silent until November 16, 2011. **Notwithstanding the grant of this special temporary authority, the broadcast license for KBHH(FM) will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not commence by 12:01 am., November 17, 2011.**² See Section 312(g) of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. Sections 312(g).

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

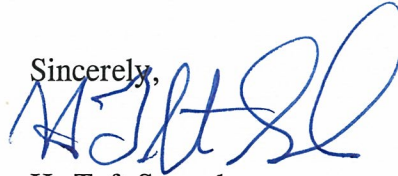
¹ In the event extension of special temporary authority is sought, please renew the certification in this matter .

² 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.

tower shall be maintained until removed. *See* 47 C.F.R. Sections 17.6 and 73.1740(a)(4).

Finally, the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F. R. Section 73.1740(a)(4), permit licensees to discontinue operations for good cause and for a period not to exceed 30 days without further authority, provided that the licensee notify the Commission by letter "not later than the 10th day of limited or discontinued operations" and if operations are not able to commence by that time, "informal written request shall be made to the FCC no later than the 30th day for such additional time as may be deemed necessary. RCB failed to timely submit a request for an STA to permit KBDS (FM) to remain silent beyond November 16, 2010, and the action taken herein shall not be construed as authorizing the station to remain silent between November 16, 2010, and May 23, 2011.

Sincerely,



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cc: Anne Thomas Paxson, Esq.