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In re: **WDIN-FM2, Mayaguez, PR**
Facility ID No. 178107
Silent since September 20, 2017

Request for Extension of Special Temporary
Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Ms. Marshall:

This letter concerns the request you filed on September 19, 2018, on behalf of North Coast Broadcasters, Inc. (NCB), for extension of Special Temporary Authority (STA) to permit FM Booster Station WDIN-FM2 to remain silent.¹

Commission records reflect that NCB stated that Station WDIN-FM2 went silent on September 20, 2017, for technical reasons. The previous STA was granted on October 25, 2017, and expired on April 23, 2018. Commission records also reflect that NCB requested an extension of STA on April 23, 2018. NCB requests extension of its STA for continuing technical reasons. The request includes the appropriate certification regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.

NCB's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station WDIN-FM2 to remain silent until March 6, 2019. **Notwithstanding the grant of this Special Temporary Authority, the broadcast license for Station WDIN-FM2 will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not resume by 12:01 a.m., March 7, 2019.**²

NCB is required to notify the Commission when broadcast operations resume. If NCB 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 NCB requests consideration of its request pursuant to the Media Bureau Public Notice DA-18-901 (August 30, 2018), because it is unable to resume operation due to damage from Hurricane Maria. This request is granted.

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).