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In reply refer to:
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In re: W290BS, Turbotville, PA
Facility ID No. 151391
Silent since March 20, 2014

Request for Extension of Special Temporary
Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Fitzgerald:

This letter concerns the request you filed on December 29, 2014, on behalf of Geos Communications ("GC"), for extension of Special Temporary Authority to permit FM Translator Station W290BS to remain silent.

Commission records reflect that GC stated that Station W290BS went silent on March 20, 2014, pending the proposed modification of its facilities. The previous STA was granted on July 1, 2014, and expired on December 28, 2014. GC requests extension of its STA because modification of its facilities remains pending. The request includes the appropriate certification regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.

GC's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station W290BS to remain silent until March 20, 2015. **Notwithstanding the grant of this Special Temporary Authority, the broadcast license for Station W290BS will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not commence by 12:01 a.m., March 21, 2015.**¹ See Section 312(g) of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. § 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. 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,



Lisa Scanlan
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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.