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IN REPLY REFER TO:
1800B3-DW

Mr. Ralph Petty
Broadcasting Corporation of America
2001 South Windsor Street
Salt Lake City, UT 84105

In re: KUPA(AM), Pearl City, HI
Facility ID No. 26441
Silent Since October 12, 2008
Request For Special Temporary
Authority To Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Petty:

This letter concerns the request, filed on October 12, 2008, and on behalf of the Broadcasting Corporation of America ("BCA"), for Special Temporary Authority to permit AM Station KUPA to remain silent.

BCA's request states that KUPA(AM) went silent on October 12, 2008, because the facility had to be dismantled shortly after service was restored. BCA further states that efforts are continuing to find a long-term solution to site difficulties. BCA's request includes the appropriate certification regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.[1]

BCA's request will be granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit AM Station KUPA to remain silent for a period not to exceed 180 days from the date of this letter. **Notwithstanding the grant of this special temporary authority, the broadcast license for KUPA(AM) will automatically expire as a**

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

matter of law if broadcast operations do not commence by 12:01 a.m. on October 13, 2009.[2] *See* Section 312(g) of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. Section 312(g).

Finally, 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. Additionally, we note that it is imperative to the safety of air navigation that any prescribed painting and illumination of the station's towers shall be maintained. See 47 C.F.R. Sections 17.6 and 73.1740(a)(4).

Sincerely,

for H. Taft Snowdon
Supervisory Attorney
Audio Division
Media Bureau

cc: Dan J. Alpert

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[2]Notification of resumption of broadcast operations must either be electronically filed or mailed to:

Federal Communications Commission
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445 12th Street, S.W.
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