FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20554

September 17, 2009

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 Extension of
Special Temporary
Authority To Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Petty:

This letter concerns the request, filed on April 7, 2009, and on behalf of the Broadcasting Corporation of America ("BCA"), for extension of Special Temporary Authority to permit Station KUPA(AM) to remain silent.

Commission records reflect that BCA stated that KUPA(AM) went silent on October 12, 2008, because the facility had to be dismantled. BCA further stated that efforts were continuing to find a long-term solution to site difficulties. A previous STA was granted on November 19, 2008, and expired on May 18, 2009. BCA's request for extension of its STA states that the station is still silent due to the loss of its transmitter site. BCA's request includes the appropriate certification regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.

BCA's request will be granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station KUPA(AM) to remain silent for a period not to exceed October 12, 2009. **Notwithstanding the grant of this special temporary authority, the broadcast license for KUPA(AM) will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not commence by 12:01 a.m. on October 13, 2009.**[1] *See* Section 312(g) of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. Section 312(g).

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

Federal Communications Commission
Attn: 1800B3-DW, Room 2-B450
445 12th Street, S.W.

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,

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cc: Dan J. Alpert