FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20554

September 23, 2009

IN REPLY REFER TO:
1800B3-DW

Ira Littman, President
Acme Broadcasting, Inc.
2505 Thonotosassa Road #172
Plant City, FL 33563

In re: WQMS(AM), Quitman, MS
Facility ID No. 54325
Silent Since August 18, 2009
Request For Special Temporary
Authority To Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Littman:

This letter concerns the request, filed on September 4, 2009, on behalf of Acme Broadcasting, Inc. ("ABI"), for Special Temporary Authority ("STA") to permit Station WQMS(AM) to remain silent.

ABI's request states that WQMS(AM) went silent on August 18, 2009, pending replacement of the tower transmitter. ABI's request includes the appropriate certification regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988. [1]

ABI's request will be granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station WQMS(AM) to remain silent not to exceed 180 days from the date of this letter. **Notwithstanding the grant of this Special Temporary Authority, the broadcast license for WQMS(AM) will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not commence by 12:01 a.m. on August 19, 2010.** [2] *See* Section 312(g) of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. Section 312(g).

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

[2] 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.
Washington, D.C. 20554

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

Sincerely,

H. Taft Snowdon
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Mass Media Bureau