FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20554

IN REPLY REFER TO:
1800B3-KLJ

February 4, 2010

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 December 12, 2009

Request For Special Temporary
Authority To Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Petty:

This letter concerns your request, filed on October 19, 2009, on behalf of Broadcasting Corporation of America ("Broadcasting"), for Special Temporary Authority to permit AM Station KUPA to remain silent.

Broadcasting's request states that KUPA(AM) went silent on December 12, 2009, because various renovations are necessary for permanent operation of the station. Broadcasting's request includes the appropriate certification regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.[1]

Broadcasting's request will be granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station KUPA(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 KUPA(AM) will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not commence by 12:01 a.m. , December 13, 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 manner.

[2] Notification of resumption of broadcast operations must be mailed to:
Federal Communications Commission
Attn: 1800B3-DW,Roonm 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 station's tower shall be maintained until removed. *See* 47 C.F.R. Sections 17.6 and 73.1740(a)(4).

Sincerely,

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Supervisory Attorney
Audio Division
Media Bureau

cc: Daniel J. Alpert, Esq.