

**FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION**  
**WASHINGTON, D. C. 20554**  
**October 13, 2011**

**IN REPLY REFER TO:**  
**1800B3-DW**

Leo Ashcraft  
La Ke Manda Broadcasting  
P.O. Box 1096  
Mount Vernon, TX 75457

**In re: KETE(FM), Sulphur Bluff, TX**  
Facility ID No. 166035  
Silent Since September 1, 2011  
Request For Special Temporary  
Authority To Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Ashcraft:

This letter concerns your request, filed on September 19, 2011, on behalf of La Ke Manda Broadcasting ("La Ke") for Special Temporary Authority to permit FM Station KETE to remain silent.

La Ke's request states that KETE(FM) went silent on September 1, 2011, due to transmitter problems. Your request includes the appropriate certification regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.<sup>1</sup>

La Ke's request will be granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station KETE(FM) 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 KETE(FM) will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not commence by 12:01 a.m., September 2, 2012.**<sup>2</sup> See Section 312(g) of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. Section 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

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<sup>1</sup> In the event extension of special temporary authority is sought, please renew the certification in this matter.

<sup>2</sup> 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](mailto:Denise.Williams@FCC.gov).

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "H. Taft Snowdon", is written over the word "Sincerely,".

H. Taft Snowdon  
Supervisory Attorney  
Audio Division  
Media Bureau