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**FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION**

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WASHINGTON, DC 20554**

**October 3, 2005**

*In Reply Refer to:*  
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Mr. Charles Hudson  
KTSU Radio Station  
3100 Cleburne  
Houston, TX 77004

In re: KTSU(FM), Houston, TX  
Facility ID No. 65336

Request for Special Temporary  
Authorization

Dear Mr. Hudson:

This letter refers to the September 28, 2005, request for Special Temporary Authorization ("STA") filed on behalf of Texas Southern University ("TSU"), former licensee of station KTSU(FM), Houston, Texas.

An application for renewal of KTSU(FM)'s license should have been filed by April 1, 2005. No such application was filed, and the station's license expired on August 1, 2005. Upon discovering that no renewal application had been filed, TSU retained communications counsel and tendered both the subject STA request and a license renewal application<sup>1</sup> for station KTSU(FM). In the STA request, TSU indicates TSU states that pertinent information was omitted from the application it prepared and therefore the application was not properly filed. TSU states that the failure to file a timely license application was inadvertent and that it did not realize until it was notified of its failure to file

Under Section 309(f) of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. Section 309(f), when an appropriate application has been filed, the Commission may grant special temporary authorization if it finds that there are extraordinary circumstances requiring temporary operation in the public interest and that delay in the institution of such temporary operations would seriously prejudice the public interest. In this case, we believe that the public interest in continuing KTSU(FM)'s noncommercial educational broadcast service to residents of Houston, Texas warrants resumed operation of the station pending consideration and disposition of the (untimely) renewal application.

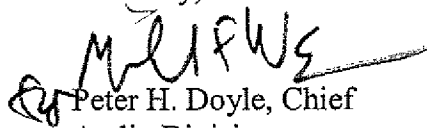
Accordingly, the September 28, 2005, request for Special Temporary Authorization filed on behalf of Texas Southern University IS GRANTED, and it may continue operation of

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<sup>1</sup> File No. BRED-20050829AAQ.

KTSU(FM), Houston, Texas, with the facilities for which the license expired on August 1, 2005. This authorization will expire (1) 180 days from the date of this letter; or (2) upon action on the pending KXVI(AM) license renewal application, whichever is sooner. Additionally, grant of this authorization is without prejudice to whatever action, if any, the staff deems appropriate in light of the failure to file a timely license renewal application for KTSU(FM).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Peter H. Doyle", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Peter H. Doyle, Chief  
Audio Division  
Media Bureau