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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20554 August 12, 2002

In Reply Refer To 1800B3-GDG

CERTIFIED MAIL-RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

University of Louisiana at Lafayette P.O. Box 42171 Lafayette, LA 70504

> In re: K213AZ, Lake Charles, LA Facility ID No. 69164 Silent Since: 5/22/2001

> > **Operational Status Inquiry**

Dear Licensee:

This letter concerns the referenced translator station. Our records indicate that the station suspended operations on May 22, 2001, but that it has not resumed operations since that date

Section 312(g) of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. § 312(g), provides that "if a broadcasting station fails to transmit broadcast signals for any consecutive 12-month period, then the station license granted for the operation of that broadcast station expires at the end of that period, notwithstanding any provision, term, or condition of the license to the contrary." *See Implementation of Section 403(l) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996*, 11 FCC Rcd 16499 (1996); *see also* 47 C.F.R. § 74.1263(e).

Accordingly, the Commission's public and internal databases will be modified to indicate that the broadcast license (File No. BLFT-19890124TA) for K213AZ EXPIRED as a matter of law as of 12:01 a.m., May 23, 2002 unless you are able to document (*e.g.*, station logs, advertising invoices) that the station resumed operations prior to the time and date above. This information must be submitted in triplicate to the Federal Communications Commission/Office of the Secretary within thirty days of the date of this letter.¹ If no response or if an insufficient response is filed within the specified period, we will permanently modify our databases to reflect the automatic expiration of the station's license and the consequential deletion of the station's call sign.

Finally, we note that it is imperative to the safety of air navigation that any prescribed painting and illumination of the station's tower be maintained until the tower is dismantled. Accordingly, the owner of the tower where the referenced station's

¹A courtesy copy of this information should also be mailed separately (FCC, 445 12th Street SW, Attn: 1800B3-GDG, Washington, D.C. 20554) or faxed (202-418-1410) to Glenn Greisman, Industry Analyst, Audio Division.

transmitting antenna are located is required, pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 303(q), to maintain the tower in the manner prescribed by our rules and the terms of the cancelled license. *See* 47 C.F.R. §§ 17.1 *et seq.* and 73.1213. *See also, Report and Order* in MM Docket 95-5, 11 FCC Rcd 4272 (1996).

Sincerely,

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Glenn Greisman, Industry Analyst Audio Division Office of Broadcast License Policy Media Bureau