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> In re: KCOD(AM), Palm Springs, CA Facility ID No. 35496 Silent since July 10, 2016

> > Request for Extension of Special Temporary Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Helmick:

This letter concerns the request you filed on December 22, 2016, on behalf of Desert Community College District D/B/A College of the Desert (DCC), for extension of Special Temporary Authority (STA) to permit AM Radio Station KCOD to remain silent.

Commission records reflect that DCC stated that Station KCOD(AM) went silent on July 10, 2016, for financial reasons. The previous STA was granted on July 29, 2016, and will expire on January 25, 2017. DCC requests extension of its STA pending the proposed modification of its facilities. The request includes the appropriate certification regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.

DCC's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station KCOD(AM) to remain silent until July 10, 2017. Notwithstanding the grant of this Special Temporary Authority, the broadcast license for Station KCOD(AM) will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not resume by 12:01 a.m., July 11, 2017.¹

DCC is required to notify the Commission when broadcast operations resume. If DCC does not file the notification of resumption of operations in a timely manner, the license may be subject to cancellation pursuant to Section 312(g) of the Communications Act, as amended.²

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. 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.³

Sincerely,

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Lisa Scanlan Assistant Chief, Audio Division Media Bureau

¹ See 47 U.S.C. § 312(g).

 $^{^{2}}$ Id. In addition to filing a notification of resumption of operations electronically on the date operations resume, notification of resumption must also be emailed to Denise.Williams@FCC.gov.

³ See 47 C.F.R. §§ 17.6 and 73.1740(a)(4).