

**FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 20554**

In reply refer to: 1800B3-RH

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In re: **KUNE(FM), New Llano, LA**
Facility ID No. 190449
Silent since April 16, 2016

Request for Extension of Special Temporary
Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Tepper:

This letter concerns the request you filed on December 13, 2016, on behalf of James M. Lout (Mr. Lout), for extension of Special Temporary Authority (STA) to permit FM Radio Station KUNE to remain silent.

Commission records reflect that Mr. Lout stated that Station KUNE(FM) went silent on April 16, 2016, for technical reasons. The previous STA was granted on June 14, 2016, and expired on December 11, 2016. Mr. Lout requests extension of its STA for continuing technical reasons. The request includes the appropriate certification regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.

Mr. Lout's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station KUNE(FM) to remain silent until April 16, 2017. **Notwithstanding the grant of this Special Temporary Authority, the broadcast license for Station KUNE(FM) will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not resume by 12:01 a.m., April 17, 2017.**¹

Mr. Lout is required to notify the Commission when broadcast operations resume.² If Mr. Lout 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.³

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.⁴

Sincerely,



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 U.S.C. § 312(g).

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