

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 20554

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In reply refer to: 1800B3-DW

David Tillotson, Esq.
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In re: **KNOB(FM), Healdsburg, CA**
Facility ID No. 79003
Silent since April 10, 2017

Request for Extension of Special Temporary
Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Tillotson:

This letter concerns the request you filed on February 1, 2018, on behalf of JYH Broadcasting (JYHB), for extension of Special Temporary Authority (STA) to permit FM Radio Station KNOB to remain silent.

Commission records reflect that JYHB stated that Station KNOB(FM) went silent on April 10, 2017, because it lost its programming source. The previous STA was granted on June 6, 2017, and expired on December 3, 2017. JYHB requests extension of its STA because of continuing programming issues. The request includes the appropriate certification regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.

JYHB's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station KNOB(FM) to remain silent until April 10, 2018. **Notwithstanding the grant of this Special Temporary Authority, the broadcast license for Station KNOB(FM) will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not resume by 12:01 a.m., April 11, 2018.**¹

JYHB is required to notify the Commission when broadcast operations resume. If JYHB 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

Finally, Section 73.1740(a)(4) of the Commission's Rules permits licensees to temporarily discontinue operations for good cause, and for a period not to exceed 30 days without further authority.⁴ This rule requires that the licensee notify the Commission by letter not later than the 10th day of limited or discontinued operations, and requires a licensee to seek Commission authorization for any period of

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).

⁴ See 47 C.F.R. § 73.1740(a)(4).

limited or discontinued operations exceeding 30 days. JYHB failed to submit a timely request for an STA extension to permit Station KNOB(FM) to remain silent beyond the December 3, 2017, expiration of STA, and the action taken herein shall not be construed as authorizing the station to remain silent between December 3, 2017, and February 1, 2018.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Lisa Scanlan" followed by a stylized flourish.

Lisa Scanlan
Deputy Chief, Audio Division
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