

**FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 20554**

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In re: **KNIZ(FM), Gallup, NM**
Facility ID No. 174368
Silent since April 8, 2018

Request for Extension of Special Temporary
Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Couzens:

This letter concerns the request you filed on December 5, 2018, on behalf of Available Media, Inc. (AM), for extension of Special Temporary Authority (STA) to permit FM Radio Station KNIZ to remain silent.

Commission records reflect that AM stated that Station KNIZ(FM) went silent on April 8, 2018, for financial reasons. The previous STA was granted on May 23, 2018, and expired on November 19, 2018. AM requests extension of its STA for continuing financial reasons. The request includes the appropriate certification regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.

AM's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station KNIZ(FM) to remain silent until April 8, 2019. **Notwithstanding the grant of this Special Temporary Authority, the broadcast license for Station KNIZ(FM) will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not resume by 12:01 a.m., April 9, 2019.¹**

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



Lisa Scanlan
Deputy 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).