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In re: WYDK(FM), Eufaula, AL
Facility ID No. 15939
Silent since August 22, 2018

Request for Extension of Special Temporary
Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Trent:


This letter concerns the request you filed on May 8, 2019, on behalf of Sound Ideas, LLC (SI), for extension of Special Temporary Authority (STA) to permit FM Radio Station WYDK to remain silent.

Commission records reflect that SI stated that Station WYDK(FM) went silent on August 22, 2018, for technical reasons. The previous STA was granted on September 19, 2018, and expired on March 19, 2019.¹ SI 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.

SI's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station WYDK(FM) to remain silent until August 22, 2019. **Notwithstanding the grant of this Special Temporary Authority, the broadcast license for Station WYDK(FM) will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not commence by 12:01 a.m., August 23, 2019.**²

SI is required to notify the Commission when broadcast operations resume. If SI 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. Finally, we note that 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
Deputy Chief, Audio Division
Media Bureau

¹ We note that SI failed to submit a timely request for an extension of STA to permit FM Station WYDK to remain silent beyond March 19, 2019. The action taken herein shall not be construed as authorizing the station to remain silent between March 19, 2019, and May 8, 2019.

² See 47 U.S.C. § 312(g).

³ *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.

⁴ See 47 CFR §§ 17.6 and 73.1740(a)(4).