

**FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 20554**

In reply refer to: 1800B3-KC

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In re: **KFSD(AM), Escondido, CA**
Facility ID No. 49205
Silent since June 1, 2019

Request for Extension of Special Temporary
Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Tillotson:

This letter concerns the request you filed on January 24, 2020, on behalf of North County Broadcasting Corp. (NCB), for extension of Special Temporary Authority (STA) to permit AM Radio Station KFSD to remain silent.

Commission records reflect that NCB stated that Station KFSD(AM) went silent on June 1, 2019, for financial reasons. The previous STA was granted on July 10, 2019, and expired on January 6, 2020.¹ NCB 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.

NCB's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station KFSD(AM) to remain silent until June 1, 2020. **Notwithstanding the grant of this Special Temporary Authority, the broadcast license for Station KFSD(AM) will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not resume by 12:01 a.m., June 2, 2020.**²

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



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¹ We note that NCB failed to submit a timely request for an extension of STA to permit Station KFSD(AM) to remain silent beyond January 6, 2020. The action taken herein shall not be construed as authorizing the station to remain silent between January 6, 2020 and January 24, 2020.

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 C.F.R. §§ 17.6 and 73.1740(a)(4).