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Ms. Donna Martinez
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In re: KEDP(FM), Las Vegas, NM
Facility ID No. 4281
Silent since March 1, 2020

Request for Special Temporary
Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Ms. Martinez:

This letter concerns the request you filed on February 21, 2020, on behalf of Board of Regents of New Mexico Highlands University (Board), for Special Temporary Authority (STA) to permit FM Radio Station KEDP to remain silent.

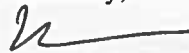
Board's request states that Station KEDP(FM) went silent on March 1, 2020, for financial reasons. The request includes the appropriate certification regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.

Board's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station KEDP(FM) to remain silent not to exceed 180 days from the date of this letter. **Notwithstanding the grant of this Special Temporary Authority, the broadcast license for Station KEDP(FM) will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not commence by 12:01 a.m., March 2, 2021.**¹

Board is required to notify the Commission when broadcast operations resume. If Board 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. 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.³

Sincerely,



Victoria McCauley
Attorney, 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 CFR §§ 17.6 and 73.1740(a)(4).