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RE: KOBBS-FM, Bozeman, MT
Facility ID No. 16776
Silent since April 27, 2020
Request for Extension of Special
Temporary Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Mr. McCormick:

This letter concerns the request you filed on January 7, 2021, on behalf of Richard J. Samson as Receiver (RJS), for extension of Special Temporary Authority (STA) to permit Radio Station KOBBS-FM to remain silent.

Commission records reflect that RJS stated that Station KOBBS-FM went silent on April 27, 2020, for financial reasons. The previous STA was granted on July 16, 2020, and expired on January 11, 2021. RJS requests extension of its STA for continuing financial reasons.

RJS's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station KOBBS-FM to remain silent until April 27, 2021. **Notwithstanding the grant of this Special Temporary Authority, the broadcast license for Station KOBBS-FM will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not resume by 12:01 a.m., April 28, 2021.**¹

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

Victoria McCauley
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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).