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*In reply refer to: 1800B3-KC*

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RE: **K240EO, Lufkin, TX**  
Facility ID No. 156974  
Silent since August 9, 2021  
Request for Special  
Temporary Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Balkin:

This letter concerns the request you filed on August 19, 2021, on behalf of Educational Radio Foundation of East Texas, Inc. (ERFET), for Special Temporary Authority (STA) to permit FM Translator Station K240EO to remain silent.

ERFET's request states that Station K240EO went silent on August 9, 2021, for technical reasons.

ERFET's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station K240EO 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 K240EO will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not resume by 12:01 a.m., August 10, 2022.**<sup>1</sup>

ERFET is required to notify the Commission when broadcast operations resume. If ERFET 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.<sup>2</sup>

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.<sup>3</sup>

Sincerely,

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<sup>1</sup> See 47 U.S.C. § 312(g).

<sup>2</sup> *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.

<sup>3</sup> See 47 C.F.R. §§ 17.6 and 73.1740(a)(4).