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In re: **WIPZ-LP, Kenosha, WI**  
Facility ID No. 193377  
Silent since May 29, 2020  
  
Request for Extension of Special Temporary  
Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Persh:

This letter concerns the request you filed on December 11, 2020, on behalf of Board of Regents, University of Wisconsin System on behalf of UW-Parkside (UW), for extension of Special Temporary Authority (STA) to permit Low-Power FM Radio Station WIPZ-LP to remain silent.

Commission records reflect that UW stated that Station WIPZ-LP went silent on May 29, 2020, for financial reasons. The previous STA was granted on July 8, 2020, and expired on January 4, 2021. UW requests extension of its STA due to the COVID-19 emergency.

UW's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station WIPZ-LP to remain silent until May 29, 2021. **Notwithstanding the grant of this Special Temporary Authority, the broadcast license for Station WIPZ-LP will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not resume by 12:01 a.m., May 30, 2021.**<sup>1</sup>

UW is required to notify the Commission when broadcast operations resume. If UW 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 CFR §§ 17.6 and 73.1740(a)(4).

