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In re: K288FJ, Austin, TX
Facility ID No. 148213
Silent since July 5, 2012

Request for Extension of Special Temporary
Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Peltzman:

This letter concerns the request you filed on February 6, 2013, on behalf of James A. Bumpous d/b/a Big Bend Broadcasting ("BBB"), for extension of Special Temporary Authority to permit FM Translator Station K288FJ to remain silent.

Commission records reflect that BBB stated that Station K288FJ went silent on July 5, 2012, pending the proposed assignment of the station's license. The previous STA was granted on August 16, 2012, and expired on February 12, 2013. BBB requests extension of its STA because the proposed assignment of license is still pending. The request includes the appropriate certification regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.

BBB's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station K288FJ to remain silent until July 5, 2013. **Notwithstanding the grant of this Special Temporary Authority, the broadcast license for Station K288FJ will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not commence by 12:01 a.m., July 6, 2013.**¹ See Section 312(g) of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. § 312(g).

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. See 47 C.F.R. §§ 17.6 and 73.1740(a)(4).

Sincerely,



Lisa Scanlan
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¹ In addition to filing electronically with the Commission on the date operations resume, notification of resumption of broadcast operations must be emailed to Denise.Williams@FCC.gov.