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**Cc:** [Tom Hutton](#)  
**Subject:** WEAX(FM), Angola, Indiana, File No. 0000108731  
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Dear Mr. Tepper—

I am reviewing the renewal and record of operation for the referenced station in and I have a question about the Station's operation since the licensee acquired it. Please explain how the station resumed operation using the licensed site when they originally stated that the station needed to remain silent because the site owner refused to lease the licensed site to a religious entity. Please respond within 5 days. I refer to the following Commission records:

File No. BLESTA 20200323AAK Exhibit 2:  
JUSTIFICATION FOR EXTENSION OF SILENT STATUS STA

THE FCC RECORDS WILL SHOW THAT WEAX-FM WAS RECENTLY LICENSED TO TRINE UNIVERSITY. TRINE UNIVERSITY TOOK WEAX-FM SILENT ON JULY 15, 2019 AS IT LOOKED TO SELL THE RADIO STATION.

STAR EDUCATIONAL MEDIA NETWORK, INC. ('STAR') PURCHASED WEAX-FM AND CONSUMMATED BLED-20190918AAS ON JANUARY 17, 2020. UNFORTUNATELY STAR CANNOT RESUME BROADCAST OPERATIONS AT THE LICENSED TRANSMITTING SITE FOR WEAX-FM BECAUSE THE SITE'S OWNER (THE CITY OF ANGOLA, INDIANA) REFUSES TO ASSIGN THE SITE LEASE TO A RELIGIOUS ENTITY. [emphasis added] STAR HAS BEEN SEARCHING FOR A NEW TRANSMITTING SITE AND HOPES TO FILE A MODIFICATION APPLICATION IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

IN PREPARING THE WEAX-FM LICENSE RENEWAL APPLICATION IT WAS DISCOVERED THAT BLSTA-20190711AAN EXPIRED ON JANUARY 27, 2020. WE APOLOGIZE FOR THE OVERSIGHT AND REQUEST THAT BLSTA-20190711AAN BE EXTENDED TO MAINTAIN THE PROPER SILENT STATUS FOR WEAX-FM.

Notice of resumption of operation, filed on July 13, 2020, Exhibit 3:

TODAY (JULY 13, 2020) RADIO STATION WEAX-FM RESUMED FULL-TIME BROADCAST OPERATIONS AT ITS LICENSED TRANSMITTING SITE IN FULL COMPLIANCE WITH ITS FCC LICENSE (BLED-20120823AAT). PLEASE BE FURTHER ADVISED THAT WEAX-FM IS OPERATING WITH A NEW BW-1000 TRANSMITTER.

Sincerely,  
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