



Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554

September 18, 2019

In reply refer to: 1800B3-VM

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Absolute Broadcasting, LLC
141 Main Street
Nashua, NH 03060

In re: W253AF, Nashua, NH
Facility ID No. 83187
Operational Status Inquiry

Dear Licensee:

It has come to our attention that Station W253AF, Nashua, New Hampshire (Station), licensed to Absolute Broadcasting, LLC (AB) may be currently off the air. However, Commission records show that AB has indicated that the Station is licensed and operating. Pursuant to Section 73.1740 of the Commission's Rules, AB is required to clarify this matter in writing within thirty days of the date of this letter.

On March 29, 2019, we received a complaint that the Station had been off the air for an extended period of time, and that it had been the subject of an interference complaint.¹ Based on this information, it appears that the Station may have been silent (or failed to operate with authorized facilities) for more than one year. Pursuant to Section 312(g) of the Communications Act, as amended, **if a broadcast station fails to transmit broadcast signals with its authorized facilities for any consecutive 12-month period, then the station license granted for the operation of that broadcast station expires at the end of that period, unless extended or reinstated by Commission action.**

Please provide evidence documenting the Station's operational status since February 22, 2018. This evidence must indicate the location, effective radiated power and antenna height above ground level for **all periods of operation** from February 22, 2018, to the present. Also include copies of all leases, personnel records (including payroll records appropriately redacted to protect the privacy of individual employees), engineering records, and station logs for that period of time. In addition, you must provide copies of all invoices, bills, checks written or received, credit card charges, wire transfers or deposits of funds relating to the Station's operation.² You **must also include pictures** of the Station's studio facilities and transmission facilities during this timeframe, and provide exact Station coordinates.

We also note that it is imperative to the safety of air navigation that any prescribed painting and illumination of the Station's tower shall be maintained.³

Failure to respond to this letter within the specified time will result in adverse actions jeopardizing both the Station's license and call letters. If you have any questions concerning the

¹ Petition to Declare License Expired filed by Saga Communications of New England (Mar. 29, 2019).

² In addition, if the Station uses accounting software to maintain financial records, provide printouts of the data recorded for this period.

³ See 47 CFR §§ 17.6 and 73.1740(a)(4).

content of this letter, please contact Victoria McCauley, Attorney, by phone (202-418-2136), or e-mail (Victoria.McCauley@fcc.gov).

Sincerely,


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Media Bureau

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