

**FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION  
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*In reply refer to: 1800B3-KC*

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In re: **WCBW-FM, East St. Louis, IL**  
Facility ID No. 83448  
Silent since November 25, 2019  
  
Request for Extension of Special Temporary  
Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Chautin:

This letter concerns the request you filed on June 8, 2020, on behalf of University of Northwestern-St. Paul (UNSP), for extension of Special Temporary Authority (STA) to permit Radio Station WCBW-FM to remain silent.

Commission records reflect that UNSP stated that Station WCBW-FM went silent on November 25, 2019, for technical reasons. The previous STA was granted on December 16, 2019, and expired on June 13, 2020. UNSP requests extension of its STA pending the proposed modification of its facilities. The request includes the appropriate certification regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.

UNSP's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station WCBW-FM to remain silent until November 25, 2020. **Notwithstanding the grant of this Special Temporary Authority, the broadcast license for Station WCBW-FM will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not resume by 12:01 a.m., November 26, 2020.**<sup>1</sup>

UNSP is required to notify the Commission when broadcast operations resume. If UNSP 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).