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Sent via electronic mail

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RE: K219DN, Dillon, MT

Facility ID No. 90606 Silent since March 10, 2022 Request for Extension of Special Temporary Authority to Remain Silent

In reply refer to: 1800B3-DW

Dear Mr. Persh:

This letter concerns the request you filed on December 2, 2022, on behalf of The University of Montana (UM), for Special Temporary Authority (STA) to permit FM Translator Station K219DN to remain silent.

Commission records reflect that UM stated that Station K219DN went silent on March 10, 2022, for technical reasons. The previous STA was granted on May 20, 2022, and expired on November 16, 2022. UM requests extension of its STA for continuing technical reasons.

UM's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station K219DN to remain silent until March 10, 2023. Notwithstanding the grant of this Special Temporary Authority, the broadcast license for Station K219DN will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not resume by 12:01 a.m., March 11, 2023.

UM is required to notify the Commission when broadcast operations resume. If UM 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.²

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.³

Sincerely,

Victoria McCauley Attorney, Audio Division

Media Bureau

² *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.

¹ See 47 U.S.C. § 312(g).

³ See 47 C.F.R. §§ 17.6 and 73.1740(a)(4).