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RE: **WLNK(FM), Lincoln, IL**
Facility ID No. 37558
Silent since June 3, 2022
Request for Extension of Special
Temporary Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Avett:

This letter concerns the request you filed on January 25, 2023, on behalf of Lincoln University (LU), for extension of Special Temporary Authority (STA) to permit FM Radio Station WLNK to remain silent.

Commission records reflect that LU stated that Station WLNK(FM) went silent on June 3, 2022, for financial reasons. The previous STA was granted on August 17, 2022, and expires on February 16, 2023. LU requests extension of its STA for continuing financial reasons.

LU's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station WLNK(FM) to remain silent until June 3, 2023. **Notwithstanding the grant of this Special Temporary Authority, the broadcast license for Station WLNK(FM) will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not resume by 12:01 a.m., June 4, 2023.**¹

LU is required to notify the Commission when broadcast operations resume. If LU 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
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¹ See 47 U.S.C. § 312(g).

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.

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