

## Federal Communications Commission Washington, D.C. 20554

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In reply refer to: 1800B3-CP

Sent via electronic mail

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> RE: K217FX, Groom Creek, AZ Facility ID No. 87699 Silent since February 28, 2023 Request for Special Temporary Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Tepper:

This letter concerns the request you filed on February 28, 2023, on behalf of CSN International (CSNI), for Special Temporary Authority (STA) to permit FM Translator Station K217FX to remain silent.

CSNI's request states that Station K217FX went silent on February 28, 2023, for technical reasons.

CSNI's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station K217FX to remain silent not to exceed 180 days from the date of this letter. Notwithstanding the grant of this Special Temporary Authority, the broadcast license for Station K217FX will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not resume by 12:01 a.m., March 1, 2024.<sup>1</sup>

CSNI is required to notify the Commission when broadcast operations resume.<sup>2</sup> If CSNI 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>3</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

<sup>3</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>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See 47 U.S.C. § 312(g).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> In addition, periods of operation pursuant to this STA shall be recorded in the station's records (see 47 CFR §§ 73.1820 (AM/FM/TV), 73.877 (LPFM) and/or 74.1281 (FM translator)). The records shall include start/stop dates and times of such operation. These log entries must be maintained for a minimum of two years as specified in 47 CFR § 73.1840(a), unless a longer retention period is requested by the staff. Periods of operation may be subject to independent verification that they in fact occurred.

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>4</sup>

Sincerely,

Victorie Milanley

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See 47 C.F.R. §§ 17.6 and 73.1740(a)(4).