



Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554

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Sent via electronic mail

In reply refer to: 1800B3-DW

Mr. Charles Staples
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RE: **KTUT(FM), Crowell, TX**
Facility ID No. 191559
Silent since August 23, 2022
Request for Extension of Special
Temporary Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Staples:

This letter concerns the request you filed on May 15, 2023, on behalf of North Texas Radio Group, L.P. (NTRG), for extension of Special Temporary Authority (STA) to permit FM Radio Station KTUT to remain silent.

Commission records reflect that NTRG stated that Station KTUT(FM) went silent on August 23, 2022, pending the proposed modification of its facilities. The previous STA was granted on September 15, 2022, and expired on March 14, 2023.¹ NTRG requests extension of its STA because its proposed modification of facilities remains pending.

NTRG's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station KTUT(FM) to remain silent until August 23, 2023. **Notwithstanding the grant of this Special Temporary Authority, the broadcast license for Station KTUT(FM) will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not resume by 12:01 a.m., August 24, 2023.**²

NTRG is required to notify the Commission when broadcast operations resume.³ If NTRG 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.⁴

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

¹ We note that NTRG failed to submit a timely request for an extension of STA to permit Station KTUT(FM) to remain silent beyond March 14, 2023. The action taken herein shall not be construed as authorizing the station to remain silent between March 14, 2023, and May 15, 2023.

² See 47 U.S.C. § 312(g).

³ 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.

⁴ *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.

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.⁵

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Victoria McCauley". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Victoria" and last name "McCauley" clearly distinguishable.

Victoria McCauley
Attorney, Audio Division
Media Bureau

⁵ See 47 C.F.R. §§ 17.6 and 73.1740(a)(4).