



Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554

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Sent via electronic mail

In reply refer to: 1800B3-DW

Mr. James E. Price, III
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RE: **WVOB(FM), Dothan, AL**
Facility ID No. 4951
Silent since June 30, 2022
Request for Special
Temporary Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Price:

This letter concerns the request you filed on July 1, 2022, on behalf of Bethany Divinity College and Seminary, Inc. (BDCS), for Special Temporary Authority (STA) to permit FM Radio Station WVOB to remain silent.

BDCS's request states that Station WVOB(FM) went silent on June 30, 2022, for financial reasons.

BDCS's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station WVOB(FM) 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 WVOB(FM) will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not resume by 12:01 a.m., July 1, 2023.¹

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

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).