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RE: **W205BL, Frederick, MD**
Facility ID No. 90076
Silent since November 29, 2021
Request for Extension of Special
Temporary Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Persh:

This letter concerns the request you filed on July 13, 2022, on behalf of Greater Washington Educational Telecommunications Assn. (GWETA), for extension of Special Temporary Authority (STA) to permit FM Translator Station W205BL to remain silent.

Commission records reflect that GWETA stated that Station W205BL went silent on November 29, 2021, for technical reasons. The previous STA was granted on February 3, 2022, and expired on August 2, 2022. GWETA requests extension of its STA for continuing technical reasons.

GWETA's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station W205BL to remain silent until November 29, 2022. **Notwithstanding the grant of this Special Temporary Authority, the broadcast license for Station W205BL will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not resume by 12:01 a.m., November 30, 2022.**¹

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