

**FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
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IN REPLY REFER TO: 1800B3-MAT

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In re: KNEK(AM), Washington, LA
Facility ID No. 15801
Silent since February 12, 2018

Request for Extension of Special Temporary
Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Kersting:

This letter concerns the request you filed on August 24, 2018, on behalf of Radio License Holding CBC, LLC (RLH), for extension of Special Temporary Authority (STA) to permit Radio Station KNEK(AM) to remain silent.

Commission records reflect that RLH stated that Station KNEK(AM) went silent on February 12, 2018, for financial reasons. The previous STA was granted on February 28, 2018, and expired on August 27, 2018. RLH requests extension of its STA for continuing financial reasons. The request includes the appropriate certification regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.

RLH's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station KNEK(AM) to remain silent until February 12, 2019. **Notwithstanding the grant of this Special Temporary Authority, the broadcast license for Station KNEK(AM) will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not commence by 12:01 a.m., February 13, 2019.¹**

RLH is required to notify the Commission when broadcast operations resume. If RLH 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. We note that 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,



Lisa Scanlan
Deputy Chief, 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 CFR §§ 17.6 and 73.1740(a)(4).