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In re: WQUN(AM), Hamden, CT

Facility ID No. 42658
Silent since May 31, 2019

Request for Extension of Special Temporary
Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Ms. Virtue:

This letter concerns the request you filed on November 27, 2019, on behalf of Quinnipiac University (QU), for extension of Special Temporary Authority (STA) to permit AM Station WQUN to remain silent.

Commission records reflect that QU stated that Station WQUN(AM) went silent on May 31, 2019, for financial reasons. The previous STA was granted on June 12, 2019 and expired on December 9, 2019. QU 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.

QU's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station WQUN(AM) to remain silent until June 1, 2020. **Notwithstanding the grant of this Special Temporary Authority, the broadcast license for Station WQUN(AM) will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not commence by 12:01 a.m., June 2, 2020.**¹

QU is required to notify the Commission when broadcast operations resume. If QU 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. Finally, 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,



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 CFR §§ 17.6 and 73.1740(a)(4).