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Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary

Marlene Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
236 Massachusetts Avenue, NE
Washington DC 20002

Re: Minnesota Public Radio (FRN 0002-6425-10)
K286AW, Mankato, MN (Facility ID No. 150348)
Notice of resumption of normal operations

Dear Ms Dortch:

On November 8, 2009 the Commission granted to Minnesota Public Radio ("MPR"), licensee of FM translator K286AW, Mankato, MN, Special Temporary Authority to Remain Silent until December 23, 2009. A copy of the STA grant is attached to this letter.

On September 29, 2009, the Commission granted to MPR a construction permit to move the translator station to a new location (FCC Permit File No. BPFT-20090923ACV.)

On December 17, 2009 MPR filed an application for a license for K286AW (FCC file no. BLFT - 20091217ACV) and shortly thereafter on the 17th the K286AW was put on the air.

Therefore, the Special Temporary Authorization to Remain Silent is no longer needed and the station was put back on the air on a timely basis.

An Anti-Drug Abuse Act certification form is attached. MPR is a noncommercial educational licensee, therefore no fee is required for this filing.

Sincerely,

Mitzi T Gramling
Associate General Counsel

cc: Todd Stansbury, Esq (Wiley Rein)

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20554

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IN REPLY REFER TO:
1800B3-KAW

Thomas J. Kigin
Minnesota Public Radio
480 Cedar Street
St. Paul, Minnesota 55101

In re: **K286AW, Mankato, MN**
Facility ID No. 150348
Silent Since December 23, 2008
Request For Special Temporary
Authority To Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Kigin:

This letter concerns the request, filed on January 21, 2009, on behalf of Minnesota Public Radio, for Special Temporary Authority to permit FM Translator Station K286AW to remain silent.

Minnesota Public Radio's request states that K286AW went silent on December 23, 2008, due to the relocation of its tower site. Minnesota Public Radio's request includes the appropriate certification regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.¹

Minnesota Public Radio's request will be granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit FM Translator Station K286AW to remain silent until December 23, 2009. **Notwithstanding the grant of this special temporary authority, the broadcast license for K286AW will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not commence by 12:01 a.m. December 24, 2009.**² See Section 312(g) of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. Section 312(g).

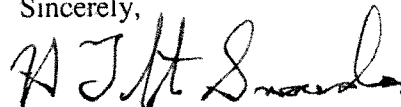
¹ In the event extension of special temporary authority is sought, please renew the certification in this matter.

²Notification of resumption of broadcast operations must be mailed to:

Federal Communications Commission
Attn: 1800B3-DW, Room 2-B450
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

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. *See* 47 C.F.R. Sections 17.6 and 73.1740(a)(4).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "H. Taft Snowdon". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "H" and a long, sweeping underline.

H. Taft Snowdon
Supervisory Attorney
Audio Division
Media Bureau

cc: Todd M. Stansbury, Esq.

Exhibit

Anti-Drug Abuse Act Certification

The applicant certifies that, in the case of an individual applicant, he or she is not subject to a denial of federal benefits pursuant to Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988, 21 U.S.C. §853a, or, in the case of a non-individual applicant (eg corporation, partnership or other unincorporated association), no party to the application is subject to a denial of federal benefits pursuant to that section. For the definition of a "party" for these purposes, see 47 C.F.R. §1.2002 (b).

Yes []

No []

Minnesota Public Radio



Thomas J Kigin, Executive Vice President

12-18-09
Date