



Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554

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Sent via electronic mail

In reply refer to: 1800B3-CP

Mr. Kevin M. Fitzgerald
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RE: **W280CV, Scranton, etc., PA**
Facility ID No. 20846
Silent since July 25, 2023
Request for Extension of Special
Temporary Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Fitzgerald:

This letter concerns the request you filed on February 8, 2024, for Special Temporary Authority (STA) to permit FM Translator Station W280CV to remain silent.

Commission records reflect that KMF stated that Station W280CV went silent on July 25, 2023, for technical reasons. The previous STA was granted on August 7, 2023, and expired on February 6, 2024.¹ KMF requests extension of its STA for continuing technical reasons.

Your request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station W280CV 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 W280CV will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not resume by 12:01 a.m., July 26, 2024.**²

You are required to notify the Commission when broadcast operations resume.³ If you do 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.⁴

Finally, 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

¹ We note that you failed to submit a timely request for an extension of STA to permit Station W280CV to remain silent beyond February 6, 2024. The action taken herein shall not be construed as authorizing the station to remain silent between February 6, 2024 and February 8, 2024.

² See 47 U.S.C. § 312(g). The date set in this letter for the license expiration supersedes any notice generated from the FCC Licensing and Management System (LMS).

³ In addition, periods of operation pursuant to this STA shall be recorded in the station's records (see 47 CFR §§ 73.1820 (AM/FM/TV), 73.877 (LPFM) and/or 74.1281 (FM translator)). The records shall include start/stop dates and times of such operation. These log entries must be maintained for a minimum of two years as specified in 47 CFR § 73.1840(a), unless a longer retention period is requested by the staff. Periods of operation may be subject to independent verification that they in fact occurred.

⁴ *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.

broadcast license. In the event of license cancellation, 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.⁵

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Victoria McCauley". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish at the end.

Victoria McCauley
Attorney, Audio Division
Media Bureau

⁵ See 47 C.F.R. §§ 17.6 and 73.1740(a)(4).