



Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554

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Sent via electronic mail

In reply refer to: 1800B3-CP

Mr. Gene Wisniewski
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RE: **K243BQ, Big Bear City, CA**
Facility ID No. 142098
Silent since September 20, 2022
Request for Extension of Special
Temporary Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Wisniewski:

This letter concerns the request you filed on July 21, 2023, on behalf of Advance Ministries, Inc., d/b/a New Life Christian School (Advance), for extension of Special Temporary Authority (STA) to permit FM Translator Station K243BQ to remain silent.

Commission records reflect that Advance stated that Station K243BQ went silent on September 20, 2022, for technical reasons. The previous STA was granted on October 28, 2022, and expired on April 27, 2023.¹ Advance requests extension of its STA for continuing technical reasons.

Advance's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station K243BQ to remain silent until September 20, 2023. **Notwithstanding the grant of this Special Temporary Authority, the broadcast license for Station K243BQ will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not resume by 12:01 a.m., September 21, 2023.**²

Advance is required to notify the Commission when broadcast operations resume.³ If Advance 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.⁴

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 Advance failed to submit a timely request for an extension of STA to permit Station K243BQ to remain silent beyond April 27, 2023. The action taken herein shall not be construed as authorizing the station to remain silent between April 27, 2023, and July 21, 2023. See 47 C.F.R. § 73.1740(a)(4).

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. 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, reading "Victoria McCauley". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Victoria" and last name "McCauley" clearly distinguishable.

Victoria McCauley
Attorney, Audio Division
Media Bureau

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