



Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554

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In reply refer to: 1800B3-KC

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RE: **WHKT(AM), Portsmouth, VA**
Facility ID No. 10759
Silent since January 4, 2023
Request for Special
Temporary Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Ms. Sashkin:

This letter concerns the request you filed on January 4, 2023, on behalf of Chesapeake-Portsmouth Broadcasting Corporation (CPBC), for Special Temporary Authority (STA) to permit AM Radio Station WHKT to remain silent.

CPBC's request states that Station WHKT(AM) went silent on January 4, 2023, for technical reasons.

CPBC's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station WHKT(AM) 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 WHKT(AM) will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not resume by 12:01 a.m., January 5, 2024.¹

CPBC is required to notify the Commission when broadcast operations resume. If CPBC 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. 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 C.F.R. §§ 17.6 and 73.1740(a)(4).