

Federal Communications Commission Washington, D.C. 20554

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In reply refer to: 1800B3-KC

Sent via electronic mail

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> RE: KMAM(AM), Butler, MO Facility ID No. 4047 Silent since February 1, 2023 Request for Special Temporary Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Ms. Stewart:

This letter concerns the request you filed on January 18, 2023, on behalf of Bates County Broadcasting Company (BCBC), for Special Temporary Authority (STA) to permit AM Radio Station KMAM to remain silent.

BCBC's request states that Station KMAM(AM) went silent on February 1, 2023, for financial reasons.

BCBC's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station KMAM(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 KMAM(AM) will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not resume by 12:01 a.m., February 2, 2024.¹

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

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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).