

Federal Communications Commission Washington, D.C. 20554

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Sent via electronic mail

Mr. Paul Bame Prometheus Radio Project PO Box 42158 Philadelphia, PA 19101 pbame@prometheusradio.org In reply refer to: 1800B3-KC

RE: WAIP-LP, Gulfport, MS

Facility ID No. 193694 Silent since February 1, 2023 Request for Special Temporary Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Bame:

This letter concerns the request you filed on March 2, 2023, on behalf of Islamic Center of Gulfport, Inc. (ICG), for Special Temporary Authority (STA) to permit Low Power FM Station WAIP-LP to remain silent.

ICG's request states that Station WAIP-LP went silent on February 1, 2023, for technical reasons.

ICG's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station WAIP-LP 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 WAIP-LP will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not resume by 12:01 a.m., February 2, 2024.

ICG is required to notify the Commission when broadcast operations resume.² If ICG 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.³

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

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¹ See 47 U.S.C. § 312(g).

² 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.

³ *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.⁴

Sincerely,

Victoria McCauley Attorney, Audio Division

Media Bureau

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