



Federal Communications Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20554

December 15, 2023

**Sent via electronic mail**

*In reply refer to: 1800B3-CP*

John Wells, King, Esq.  
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Jacksonville, FL 32225

RE: **WFFG(AM), Marathon, FL**  
Facility ID No. 65664  
Silent since May 26, 2023  
Request for Extension of Special  
Temporary Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Mr. King:

This letter concerns the request you filed on December 1, 2023, on behalf of The Great Marathon Radio Company (GMR), for extension of Special Temporary Authority (STA) to permit AM Radio Station WFFG to remain silent.

Commission records reflect that GMR stated that Station WFFG(AM) went silent on May 26, 2023, for technical reasons. The previous STA was granted on June 9, 2023, and expired on December 9, 2023. GMR requests extension of its STA for continuing technical reasons.

GMR's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station WFFG(AM) to remain silent until May 26, 2024. **Notwithstanding the grant of this Special Temporary Authority, the broadcast license for Station WFFG(AM) will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not resume by 12:01 a.m., May 27, 2024.**<sup>1</sup>

GMR is required to notify the Commission when broadcast operations resume.<sup>2</sup> If GMR 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.<sup>3</sup>

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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<sup>1</sup> 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).

<sup>2</sup> 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.

<sup>3</sup> *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.<sup>4</sup>

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "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

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<sup>4</sup> See 47 C.F.R. §§ 17.6 and 73.1740(a)(4).