

## Federal Communications Commission Washington, D.C. 20554

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In reply refer to: 1800B3-DW

Sent via electronic mail

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> RE: W277DH, Quinns Corner, PA Facility ID No. 156327 Silent since December 25, 2023 Request for Special Temporary Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Mr. O'Neil:

This letter concerns the request you filed on January 2, 2024, on behalf of Charles Williamson (CW), for Special Temporary Authority (STA) to permit FM Translator Station W277DH to remain silent.

CW's request states that Station W277DH went silent on December 25, 2023, for technical reasons.

CW's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station W277DH 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 W277DH will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not resume by 12:01 a.m., December 26, 2024.<sup>1</sup>

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

<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.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See 47 U.S.C. § 312(g). <u>The date set in this letter for the license expiration supersedes any notice generated from</u> the FCC Licensing and Management System (LMS).

<sup>&</sup>lt;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.

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,

Victoria Milanley

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