



Federal Communications Commission
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In reply refer to: 1800B3-KC

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RE: **WSRO(AM), Ashland, MA**
Facility ID No. 52398
Silent since March 5, 2023
Request for Extension of Special
Temporary Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Moskowitz:

This letter concerns the request you filed on August 30, 2023, on behalf of Langer Broadcasting Group, LLC (LBG), for extension of Special Temporary Authority (STA) to permit AM Radio Station WSRO to remain silent.

Commission records reflect that LBG stated that Station WSRO(AM) went silent on March 5, 2023, for financial reasons. The previous STA was granted on March 22, 2023, and expires on September 21, 2023. LBG requests extension of its STA for continuing financial reasons.

LBG's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station WSRO(AM) to remain silent until March 5, 2024. **Notwithstanding the grant of this Special Temporary Authority, the broadcast license for Station WSRO(AM) will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not resume by 12:01 a.m., March 6, 2024.**¹

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

¹ 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).

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,



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