

## 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: KEVK-FM, Sanderson, TX Facility ID No. 198750 Silent since March 14, 2021 Request for Extension of Special Temporary Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Alpert:

This letter concerns the request you filed on November 8, 2021, on behalf of Mekaddesh Group Corporation (MGC), for extension of Special Temporary Authority (STA) to permit Radio Station KEVK-FM to remain silent.

Commission records reflect that MGC stated that Station KEVK-FM went silent on March 14, 2021, due to the COVID-19 emergency. The previous STA was granted on May 12, 2021, and expired on November 8, 2021. MGC requests extension of its STA, due to the continuing COVID-19 emergency.

MGC's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station KEVK-FM to remain silent until March 14, 2022. Notwithstanding the grant of this Special Temporary Authority, the broadcast license for Station KEVK-FM will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not resume by 12:01 a.m., March 15, 2022.<sup>1</sup>

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

Sincerely,

Victoria Milanleg

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See 47 U.S.C. § 312(g).

 $<sup>^{2}</sup>$  *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>3</sup> See 47 C.F.R. §§ 17.6 and 73.1740(a)(4).