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VIA E-MAIL ONLY

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
45 L. Street NE  
Washington DC 20554

Re: WCKG (AM), Elmhurst, Illinois (FAC# 32227); Request for Extension  
of Special Temporary Authority BSTA-20220126AAI.

Dear Madam Secretary:

On the behalf of DuPage Radio., LLC, ("DuPage"), the Licensee of WCKG (AM), Elmhurst, Illinois (FAC# 32227) ("Station"), this is to respectfully request an Extension of Special Temporary Authority ("STA") as approved by BSTA-20220126AAI (Copy of STA Attached). As previously advised DuPage lost its tower site and is looking for a permanent site. DuPage respectfully requests an addition 180 days in which to operate at the temporary location.

Attached hereto is the requisite Anti-Drug Abuse Certificate signed by Counsel. Pursuant to FCC *Public Notice*, DA 22-29, (released January 11, 2022) (the "Public Notice") this instant STA Request is being submitted by e-mail to [audiofillings@fcc.gov](mailto:audiofillings@fcc.gov). Should there be any questions regarding this STA Request, please feel free to contact this Office.

Very truly yours,

  
John C. Trent

Attachments


cc: [audiofillings@fcc.gov](mailto:audiofillings@fcc.gov) (Via E-mail Only)

## ANTI-DRUG ABUSE ACT CERTIFICATION

The Applicant certifies that, in the case of an individual applicant, he or she is not subject to a denial of federal benefits pursuant to section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988, 21 U.S.C. §853a, or, in the case of a nonindividual applicant (*e.g.*, corporation, partnership or other unincorporated association), no party to the application is subject to a denial of federal benefits pursuant to that section. For the definition of a “party” for these purposes, *see* 47 C.F.R. §1.2002(b).

Yes ☒

No ☐

<b>Name of Applicant</b> DuPage Radio, LLC	<b>Signature:</b> 
<b>Date:</b> 07/22/2022	<b>Title:</b> Counsel



Federal Communications Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20554

February 3, 2022

Dupage Radio, LLC  
PO Box 3162  
Oak Brook, IL 60522

Re: Dupage Radio, LLC  
WCKG(AM), Elmhurst, IL  
Fac. ID No.: 32227  
Special Temporary Authority

Dear Applicant:

This is in reference to the request filed January 26, 2022, on behalf of Dupage Radio, LLC ("DRL"). DRL requests special temporary authority ("STA") to operate station WCKG(AM) with temporary facilities.<sup>1</sup> In support of the request, DRL states that due to the loss of its licensed tower site, WCKG(AM) is requesting operation from an alternate site location.

Specifically, WCKG(AM) requests STA to operate non-directionally with a reduced power from an existing tower. The proposed site is located 0.7 kilometer (0.4 mile) from the licensed WCKG(AM) site. The station proposes a daytime-only operation with a reduced power of 0.19 kilowatt.

STA requests which involve a change in transmitter site must include four critical elements: (1) Loss of the licensed site must be beyond the licensee's control; (2) STA facilities must continue to provide service to the licensed community; (3) STA facilities must maintain, as closely as practicable, the licensed service area<sup>2</sup> without extending it; (4) STA facilities cannot involve the construction of towers intended for permanent use by the station requesting the STA.

Accordingly, the request for STA is GRANTED. Station WCKG(AM) may operate with the following facilities:

Geographic coordinates	41° 51' 46" N, 87° 55' 26" W (NAD 1927)
Frequency	1530 KHz
Hours of operation	Daytime only
Operating power	190 watts (daytime)
Antenna type	Existing tower
Antenna efficiency	283.6 mV/m/kW at 1 km

It will be necessary to further reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are

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<sup>1</sup> WCKG(AM) is licensed for operation on 1530 kHz with a daytime-only power of 0.76 kilowatt, employing a directional antenna pattern (DAD-D).

<sup>2</sup> For AM - 0.5 mV/m contour; for FM - 1.0 mV/m contour.

received. WCKG(AM) must notify the Commission when licensed operation is restored. WCKG(AM) must use whatever means are necessary to protect workers and the public from exposure to radio frequency radiation in excess of the Commission's exposure guidelines. *See* 47 CFR § 1.1310.

This authority expires on **August 2, 2022**.

**STA Advisory:** Section 309(f) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, authorizes the Commission to grant STA in cases of "extraordinary circumstances requiring temporary authorizations in the public interest and when delay in the institution of the temporary operations would seriously prejudice the public interest." However, Section 309(f) is not a means by which a licensee/permittee may circumvent established processing procedures which require the filing of an application, nor is it a means by which a broadcaster may enhance his facility or make operation more convenient for the broadcaster. Stations operating with less than licensed facilities under temporary authorities can be viewed as receiving the benefit of a larger protection area than that in which they are currently providing service.

Accordingly, Special Temporary Authorities by nature are to be temporary and are not intended for extended use. Licensees of stations operating under temporary authorities are reminded that timely restoration of permanent facilities is the responsibility of the licensee and should be undertaken expeditiously. Any request for extension of special temporary authorities carries an increased burden with each subsequent request.

Therefore, requests for extension of STA will be granted only where the licensee can show that one or more of the following criteria have been met:

- Restoration of licensed facilities is complete and testing is underway;
- Substantial progress has been made during the most recent STA period toward restoration of licensed operation; or
- No progress has been made during the most recent STA period for reasons clearly beyond the licensee's control, and the licensee has taken all possible steps to expeditiously resolve the problem.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jerome J. Manarchuck", with a stylized, flowing script.

Jerome J. Manarchuck  
Audio Division  
Media Bureau

cc: John C. Trent, Esq. (via email only)