

**FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20554**

October 18, 2011

**IN REPLY REFER TO:
1800B3-VM**

William Andres
Golden Age Communications
719 W. John Street
Frackville, PA 17931-1003

In re: WQDD-LP, Girardville, PA
Facility ID No. 134862
Silent since March 16, 2011

Request for Special Temporary
Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Andres:

This letter concerns your request filed on March 16, 2011, on behalf of Golden Age Communications ("GAC") for Special Temporary Authority to permit FM Low Power Radio Station WQDD-LP to remain silent.

GAC's request states that WQDD-LP went silent on March 16, 2011, due to flood damage to its transmitter building. GAC's request includes the appropriate certification regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.

GAC's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station WQDD-LP to remain silent until March 16, 2012. **Notwithstanding the grant of this Special Temporary Authority, the broadcast license for Station WQDD-LP will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not commence by 12:01 a.m., March 17, 2012.**¹ See Section 312(g) of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. §312(g).

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

¹ In addition to filing electronically with the Commission on the date operations resume, notification of resumption of broadcast operations must be emailed to Denise.Williams@FCC.gov.

renewal of broadcast license. Finally, we note that 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. *See* 47 C.F.R. Sections 17.6 and 73.1740(a)(4).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "H. Taft Snowdon". The signature is stylized with large, flowing letters.

H. Taft Snowdon
Supervisory Attorney
Audio Division
Media Bureau