

**FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION  
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**IN REPLY REFER TO:  
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**In re: WQMS(AM), Quitman, MS**  
Facility ID No. 54325  
Silent Since May 1, 2011

Request For Special Temporary  
Authority To Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Frisch:

This letter concerns the request, filed on June 20, 2011, on behalf of Matadors, LLC ("Matadors"), for Special Temporary Authority to permit AM Station WQMS to remain silent.

Matadors' request states that WQMS(AM) went silent on May 1, 2011, due to technical problems. Matadors' request includes the appropriate certification regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.

Matadors' request will be granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit AM Station WQMS to remain silent not to exceed May 1, 2012. **Notwithstanding the grant of this special temporary authority, the broadcast license for WQMS(AM) will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not commence by 12:01 a.m., May 2, 2012.**<sup>1</sup> See Section 312(g) of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. Section 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 renewal of broadcast license. Finally, we note that it is imperative to the

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<sup>1</sup> 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](mailto:Denise.Williams@FCC.gov).

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 black ink, appearing to read "H. Taft Snowdon". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "H." being particularly prominent.

H. Taft Snowdon  
Supervisory Attorney  
Audio Division  
Media Bureau

cc: Frank R. Jazzo, Esq.