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In re: **KGDM-LP, Merced, CA**  
Facility ID No. 124864  
Silent since October 17, 2011

Request for Extension of Special Temporary  
Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Martin:

This letter concerns the request you filed on July 30, 2012, on behalf of Calvary Chapel of Merced ("CCM"), for extension of Special Temporary Authority to permit Low-Power FM Radio Station KGDM-LP to remain silent.

Commission records reflect that CCM stated that Station KGDM-LP went silent on October 17, 2011, pending a proposed change of its transmitter site. The previous STA was granted on January 19, 2012, and expired on July 17, 2012. CCM requests extension of its STA pending completion of its facilities at its new transmitter site. The request includes the appropriate certification regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.

CCM's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station KGDM-LP to remain silent until October 17, 2012. **Notwithstanding the grant of this Special Temporary Authority, the broadcast license for Station KGDM-LP will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not commence by 12:01 a.m., October 18, 2012.**<sup>1</sup> 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 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. See 47 C.F.R. §§ 17.6 and 73.1740(a)(4).

Sincerely,



Lisa Scanlan  
Assistant Chief, Audio Division  
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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.