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Re: The Great Marathon Radio Company, Inc.  
WGMX (FM), Marathon, Florida  
Facility Identification Number: 65663  
Special Temporary Authority  
BESTA-20121120AHL

Dear Counsel:

This is in reference to the request filed May 3, 2012, on behalf of The Great Marathon Radio Company, Inc. ("GMR"). GMR requests special temporary authority ("STA") to operate Station WGMX with reduced power. In support of the request for extension, GMR states that the station's antenna was damaged by lightning and that it is in the process of purchasing a new antenna.

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.

It is not at all clear from GMR's present request whether any progress has been made toward purchasing and installing the replacement antenna during the past six months. Nevertheless, to facilitate the return of licensed operation, we herein grant one extension of the STA for a six month period. Further extensions will not be granted unless GMR amply documents its progress toward restoration of licensed operation.

Accordingly, this request for extension of STA IS HEREBY GRANTED. Station WGMX may continue to operate with reduced power. GMR must notify the Commission when licensed operation is restored. GMR 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 **July 14, 2013**.

Sincerely,



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