

**FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 20554**

May 8, 2020

*In reply refer to: 1800B3-KC*

Mr. Neil Hopper  
Immanuel Broadcasting Network  
P.O. Box 1000  
Cartersville, GA 30120

In re: **W271CV, Atlanta, GA**  
Facility ID No. 153804  
Silent since April 14, 2020  
  
Request for Special Temporary  
Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Hopper:

This letter concerns the request you filed on April 20, 2020, on behalf of Immanuel Broadcasting Network, Inc. (IBN), for Special Temporary Authority (STA) to permit FM Translator Station W271CV to remain silent.

IBN's request states that Station W271CV went silent on April 14, 2020, because it lost its programming source. The request includes the appropriate certification regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.<sup>1</sup>

IBN's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station W271CV to remain silent not to exceed 180 days from the date of this letter. **Notwithstanding the grant of this Special Temporary Authority, the broadcast license for Station W271CV will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not resume by 12:01 a.m., April 15, 2021.**<sup>2</sup>

IBN is required to notify the Commission when broadcast operations resume. If IBN does not file the notification of resumption of operations in a timely manner, the license may be subject to cancellation pursuant to Section 312(g) of the Communications Act, as amended.<sup>3</sup>

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.<sup>4</sup>

Sincerely,



Victoria McCauley  
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Media Bureau

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<sup>1</sup> In the event extension of special temporary authority is sought, please renew the certification in this matter.

<sup>2</sup> See 47 U.S.C. § 312(g).

<sup>3</sup> *Id.* In addition to filing a notification of resumption of operations electronically on the date operations resume, notification of resumption must also be emailed to Denise.Williams@FCC.gov.

<sup>4</sup> See 47 CFR §§ 17.6 and 73.1740(a)(4).