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In reply refer to: 1800B3-DW

Sent via electronic mail

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> RE: WFME(AM), New York, NY Facility ID No. 29024 Silent since February 12, 2021 Request for Special Temporary Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Mr. McCormick:

This letter concerns the request you filed on February 24, 2021, on behalf of Family Stations, Inc. (FS), for Special Temporary Authority (STA) to permit AM Radio Station WFME to remain silent.

FS's request states that Station WFME(AM) went silent on February 12, 2021 pending the proposed modification of its facilities.

FS's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station WFME(AM) 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 WFME(AM) will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not resume by 12:01 a.m., February 13, 2022.<sup>1</sup>

FS is required to notify the Commission when broadcast operations resume. If FS 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>2</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>3</sup>

Sincerely,

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See 47 U.S.C. § 312(g).

 $<sup>^{2}</sup>$  *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>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See 47 C.F.R. §§ 17.6 and 73.1740(a)(4).