

**FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20554
August 21, 2008**

**IN REPLY REFER TO:
1800B3-DW**

Mr. William A. Andres, President
Golden Age Communications
719 West John Street
Frackville, PA 17931-1003

In re: WQDD-LP, Girardville, PA
Facility ID No. 134862
Silent Since February 7, 2008
Request For Extension of
Special Temporary
Authority To Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Andres:

This letter concerns the request, filed on August 19, 2008, on behalf of Golden Age Communications ("GAC"), for extension of Special Temporary Authority ("STA") to permit Low Power FM Station WQDD-LP to remain silent.

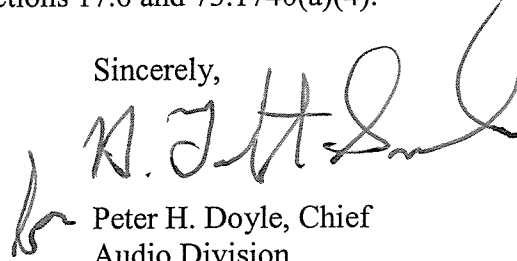
Commission records reflect that WQDD-LP went silent on February 7, 2008, because of damage to the structural and climate integrity of the transmitter shack caused by a tree limb that fell on it during an ice storm. GAC further indicated that, due to weather severity and possible temperature damage, the equipment was removed until repairs could be made to re-weatherproof and re-roof the structure. The STA was granted on March 17, 2008, and will expire on September 13, 2008. GAC's request for an extension of its STA states that financial and technical problems contribute to the need to remain silent. GAC's request includes the appropriate certification regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.

GAC's request will be granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Low Power FM Station WQDD-LP to remain silent not to exceed February 7, 2008. **Notwithstanding the grant of this Special Temporary Authority, the broadcast license for WQDD-LP will automatically expire as a matter**

of law if broadcast operations do not commence by 12:01 a.m. on February 8, 2009.¹
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 safety of air navigation that any prescribed painting and illumination of the station's tower shall be maintained. *See* 47 C.F.R. Sections 17.6 and 73.1740(a)(4).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "P. H. Doyle", is written over the word "Sincerely,".

Peter H. Doyle, Chief
Audio Division
Media Bureau

¹ Notification of resumption of broadcast operations must either be electronically filed or mailed to:

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