



Federal Communications Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20554

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**Sent via electronic mail**

*In reply refer to: 1800B3-KC*

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RE: **WGMX(FM), Marathon, FL**  
Facility ID No. 65663  
Silent since January 13, 2021  
Request for Extension of Special  
Temporary Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Mr. King:

This letter concerns the request you filed on September 16, 2021, on behalf of The Great Marathon Radio Company, Inc. (GMRC), for extension of Special Temporary Authority (STA) to permit FM Radio Station WGMX to remain silent.

Commission records reflect that GMRC stated that Station WGMX(FM) went silent on January 13, 2021, for technical reasons. The previous STA was granted on April 2, 2021, and expired on September 29, 2021. GMRC requests extension of its STA for continuing technical reasons.

GMRC's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station WGMX(FM) to remain silent until January 13, 2022. **Notwithstanding the grant of this Special Temporary Authority, the broadcast license for Station WGMX(FM) will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not resume by 12:01 a.m., January 14, 2022.**<sup>1</sup>

GMRC is required to notify the Commission when broadcast operations resume. If GMRC 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>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>3</sup> See 47 C.F.R. §§ 17.6 and 73.1740(a)(4).