

## **EXHIBIT 36**

### **Request for Extension of DTV Special Temporary Authorization**

NCE Station WHIQ-DT, Huntsville, AL (F.I.N. 713)

Alabama Educational Television Commission ("AETC"), pursuant to Section 73.1635 of the Commission's rules, hereby requests an extension of Special Temporary Authorization ("STA") to allow for continued operation of existing reduced power DTV facilities for noncommercial educational television Station WHIQ(TV/DT), Huntsville, Alabama.

The FCC granted AETC's initial request for reduced power STA for WHIQ-DT on May 23, 2003 (*see* FCC File No. BDSTA-20030513ADC). The FCC most recently granted an extension of the STA on January 1, 2006 in File No. BEDSTA- 20060104ABE, and the STA is currently due to expire on July 1, 2006.

Please note that AETC recently filed a minor modification of permit application for WHIQ-DT in FCC File No. BMPEDT-20060609AAN that nearly replicates this STA operation. That application is currently pending. Once that modification of permit is granted, AETC will be able to proceed with a license to cover application, rendering this STA unnecessary. However, while the modification of permit is still being processed, AETC requires a temporary extension of the STA in order to maintain authorization for its existing WHIQ-DT operation.

Grant of this request would serve the public interest because it would allow AETC to continue uninterrupted television broadcasting of its noncommercial educational programming over Station WHIQ-DT until its pending minor modification of permit application is granted and the DTV operation can be licensed.