

Request for Silent Authority
West Virginia Educational Broadcasting Authority

Explanation of Extraordinary Circumstances

Due to budget constraints, the West Virginia Educational Broadcasting Authority (“WVEBA”) requests special temporary authority for the following TV translator stations to remain silent:

Call Sign	Facility ID	City, State
W07DN-D	167352	Wardensville, WV
W09CT-D	167353	Mathias, WV
W30CO-D	167354	Wheeling, WV
W41AO	71688	Hampshire, WV
W08EE-D	167357	Martinsburg, WV

Over the past three years, WVEBA has lost more than \$1 million in state funding. In order to counterbalance these budget cuts WVEBA has decided to temporarily stop operation on its five most expensive TV translators while it assesses whether the cost of continued operation of these translators is justified. Grant of this STA request is in the public interest because it will allow WVEBA to operate within its budget while continuing to serve the vast majority of its audience over its three full power television stations, through retransmission on cable and satellite providers, and over the internet.