

### **ENGINEERING EXHIBIT**

## Displacement Application for Modification of Digital Television Translator Station

prepared for

**Gray Television Licensee, LLC** W42DH-D Sayner / Vilas County, WI Facility ID 167156

Ch. 21 (digital) 15 kW

Gray Television Licensee, LLC ("Gray") is the licensee of digital television translator station W42DH-D, Channel 42, Sayner / Vilas County WI, Facility ID 167156. W42DH-D has received a 120 day notice from a 600 MHz licensee that the wireless licensee intends to commence operations and W42DH-D is predicted to cause interference to the wireless operations. Pursuant to the procedures described in DA 17-584. Gray herein seeks a

displacement channel for W42DH-D.

The 120 day notice, attached separately, states that wireless operations will commence on February 4, 2018, in advance of the Special Displacement Window. Therefore, *Gray* requests a waiver of the Displacement Freeze.<sup>2</sup> A request for Special Temporary Authority is being submitted contemporaneously to operate on the proposed displacement channel pending the final outcome of the Special Displacement Window.

As proposed herein, W42DH-D will operate at its existing antenna location on Channel 21 in lieu of the licensed Channel 42. The existing tower structure is associated with FCC Antenna Structure Registration number 1034107. The proposed W42DH-D facility will employ a replacement side-mounted antenna system and no change to the overall structure height is proposed.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> "Incentive Auction Task Force and Media Bureau Set Forth Tools Available to LPTV/Translator Stations Displaced Prior to the Special Displacement Window," Public Notice, DA 17-584, released June 13, 2017.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>"Freeze on the Filing of Applications for Digital Replacement Translator Stations and Displacement Applications," Public Notice, DA 14-808, released June 11, 2014.

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The existing W42DH-D facility is licensed to operate at 15 kW effective radiated power ("ERP") with a directional antenna. As proposed herein, the Channel 21 W42DH-D facility will operate at 15 kW ERP with nondirectional antenna and a "full service" out of channel emission mask. Since the Channel 21 antenna has a greater length, the antenna's radiation center height above ground will be reduced slightly. Figure 2 depicts the 51 dBµ coverage contour of the licensed and proposed facilities, demonstrating compliance with §73.3572 for a minor change.

Interference study per OET Bulletin 69<sup>3</sup> shows that the proposal complies with the FCC's interference protection requirements toward all digital television, television translator, LPTV, and Class A stations (existing and post-auction). The results, summarized in Table 1, show that any new interference does not exceed the FCC's interference limits (0.5 percent to full power and Class A stations, and 2.0 percent to secondary stations) to any facility.

The site is located 217 km from the U.S. – Canadian border. For Canada referral purposes, the 24.4 dB $\mu$  F(50,10) contour is relevant for digital LPTV/translator operations on Channel 21. The 24.4 dB $\mu$  F(50,10) contour is depicted in Figure 2 and does not reach Canada. Thus, international coordination is not required.

The nearest FCC monitoring station is 476 km distant at Allegan, MI. This exceeds by a large margin the threshold minimum distance specified in §73.1030(c)(3) that would suggest consideration of the monitoring station. The site is not located within the areas requiring coordination with "quiet" zones specified in §73.1030(a) and (b). There are no authorized AM stations within 3 km of the site.

### **Human Exposure to Radiofrequency Electromagnetic Field (Environmental)**

The proposed operation was evaluated for human exposure to RF energy using the procedures outlined in the FCC's OET Bulletin Number 65. Based on OET-65 equation (10),

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>FCC Office of Engineering and Technology Bulletin number 69, *Longley-Rice Methodology for Evaluating TV Coverage and Interference*, February 6, 2004 ("OET-69"). This analysis employed the FCC's current "TVStudy" software with the default application processing template settings, 1 km cell size, and 1 km terrain increment. Comparisons of various results of this computer program (run on a Mac processor) to the FCCs implementation of TVStudy show excellent correlation.

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and considering 25 percent antenna relative field in downward elevations (pattern data shows less than 25 percent relative field at angles 15 to 90 degrees below the antenna), the calculated signal density near the tower at two meters above ground level attributable to the proposed facility is  $3.7 \,\mu\text{W/cm}^2$ , which is 1.1 percent of the general population/uncontrolled maximum permitted exposure limit. This is below the five percent threshold limit described in §1.1307(b) regarding sites with multiple emitters, categorically excluding the applicant from responsibility for taking any corrective action in the areas where the proposal's contribution is less than five percent.

The general public will not be exposed to RF levels attributable to the proposal in excess of the FCC's guidelines. RF exposure warning signs will continue to be posted. With respect to worker safety, the applicant will coordinate exposure procedures with all pertinent stations and will reduce power or cease operation as necessary to protect persons having access to the site, tower, or antenna from RF electromagnetic field exposure in excess of FCC guidelines. This exhibit is limited to the evaluation of exposure to RF electromagnetic field. No increase in structure height is proposed.

#### List of Attachments

Figure 1 Coverage Contour Comparison

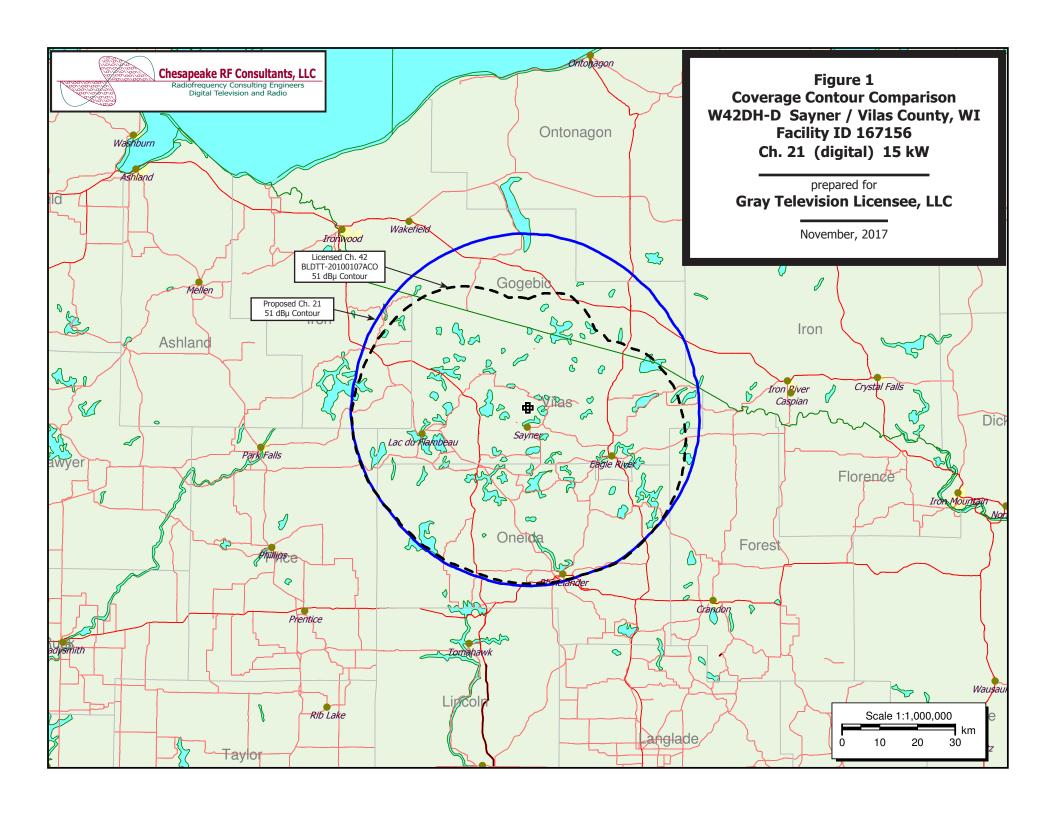
Figure 2 Interfering Contour Towards Canada
Table 1 OET Bulletin 69 Interference Study

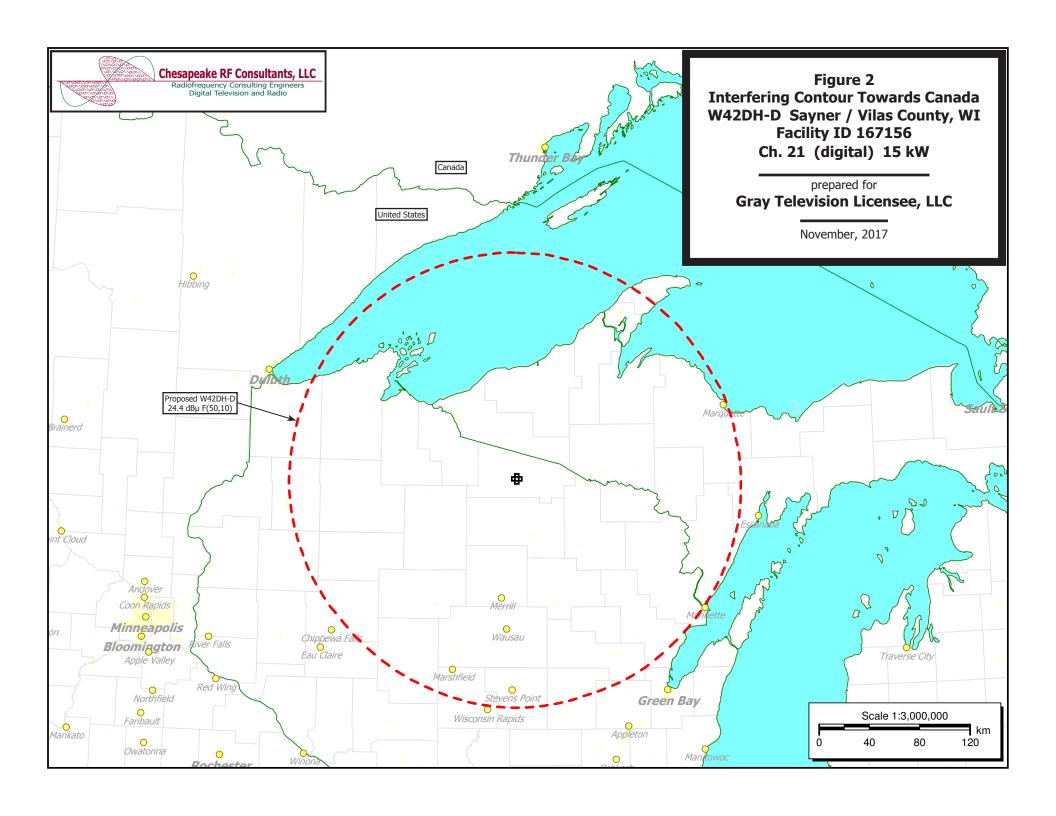
Form 2100 Saved Version of Engineering Sections from FCC Form at Time of Upload

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### **Table 1** W42DH-D OET Bulletin 69 Interference Study (page 1 of 3)



tvstudy v2.2.4 (Z2Qqz3)

Database: localhost, Study: W42DH-D Prop Ch-21, Model: Longley-Rice

Start: 2017.11.28 09:18:34

Study created: 2017.11.28 09:18:34

Study build station data: LMS TV 2017-11-28 LMSTV

Proposal: W42DH-D D21 LD APP SAYNER/VILAS COUNTY, WI

File number: W42DH-D Prop\_Ch-21

Facility ID: 167156 Station data: User record

Record ID: 1550 Country: U.S. Zone: II

Build options:

Protect pre-transition records not on baseline channel

Stations potentially affected by proposal:

IX	Call	Chan	Svc	Status	City, State	File Number	Distance
Yes	W20DN-D	D20	LD	CP	TOMAHAWK, WI	BNPDTL20100510AFG	60.1 km
No	WCMW	D21	DT	LIC	MANISTEE, MI	BLEDT20090612ABH	332.8
No	WFUP	D21	DT	CP	VANDERBILT, MI	BLANK0000028572	383.7
No	WFUP	D21	DT	APP	VANDERBILT, MI	BLANK0000034794	383.7
No	K21KY-D	D21	LD	LIC	BIGFORK/MARCELL, MN	BLDTT20111107ALH	362.7
No	K21KZ-D	D21	LD	CP	DULUTH, MN	BNPDTL20090902AAE	212.5
No	K21KR-D	D21	LD	CP	DULUTH, MN	BNPDTL20090825AQR	215.3
Yes	WEUX	D21	DT	APP	CHIPPEWA FALLS, WI	BLANK0000034736	205.0
No	W21DH-D	D21	LD	CP	EAU CLAIRE, WI	BNPDTL20100507ACR	194.7
No	W21DC-D	D21	LD	CP	GALESVILLE, WI	BNPDTL20090825CAZ	245.0
No	WIFS	D21	DT	CP	JANESVILLE, WI	BLANK0000026425	331.4
No	WIFS	D21	DT	APP	JANESVILLE, WI	BLANK0000034588	330.8
No	WMKE-CD	D21	DC	LIC	MILWAUKEE, WI	BLDTA20150126AAQ	350.8
No	WCWF	D21	DT	LIC	SURING, WI	BLCDT20091015ABT	224.4
No	WFRV-TV	D22	DT	CP	GREEN BAY, WI	BLANK0000027552	224.4
No	WFRV-TV	D22	DT	APP	GREEN BAY, WI	BLANK0000034729	224.4

No non-directional AM stations found within 0.8 km

No directional AM stations found within 3.2 km

Record parameters as studied:

Channel: D21
Mask: Simple

Latitude: 46 1 55.00 N (NAD83)

Longitude: 89 31 49.00 W

Height AMSL: 650.5 m HAAT: 0.0 m Peak ERP: 15.0 kW

Antenna: Omnidirectional

Elev Pattrn: Generic Elec Tilt: 0.50

49.5 dBu contour:

Azimuth	ERP	HAAT	T Distance	
0.0 deg	15.0 kW	140.1 m	47.8 km	
45.0	15.0	120.0	46.4	
90.0	15.0	128.4	47.0	
135.0	15.0	145.5	48.2	
180.0	15.0	155.1	48.9	
225.0	15.0	138.8	47.7	
270.0	15.0	152.4	48.7	
315.0	15.0	146.3	48.3	

Database HAAT does not agree with computed HAAT Database HAAT: 0 m  $\,$  Computed HAAT: 141 m  $\,$ 

Proposal 24.46 dBu contour does not cross Canadian border Distance to Canadian border: 216.3  $\ensuremath{\mathrm{km}}$ 

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Distance to Mexican border: 2080.5 km

Conditions at FCC monitoring station: Allegan MI Bearing: 142.0 degrees Distance: 475.1 km

Proposal is not within the West Virginia quiet zone area

Conditions at Table Mountain receiving zone: Bearing: 248.4 degrees Distance: 1428.3 km

No land mobile station failures found

Study cell size: 1.00 km

Profile point spacing: 1.00 km

Maximum new IX to full-service and Class A: 0.50%

Maximum new IX to LPTV: 2.00%

Interference to BNPDTL20100510AFG CP scenario 1 Call Chan Svc Status City, State W20DN-D D20 LD CP TOMAHAWK, WI File Number Desired: BNPDTL20100510AFG Undesireds: W42DH-D D21 LD APP SAYNER/VILAS COUNTY, WI W42DH-D Prop\_Ch-21 WTPX-TV D19 DT CP ANTIGO, WI BLANK0000027030 60.1 km 53.9 IX-free, after Percent New IX IX-free, before Terrain-limited Service area 29,211 1600.9 29,211 1600.9 29,211 1568.9 28,923 1600.9 2.00 0.99 Total IX Unique IX, before Undesired Unique IX, after 288 W42DH-D D21 LD APP 32.0 32.0 288 Interference to BNPDTL20100510AFG CP scenario 2 Call Chan Svc Status City, State
Desired: W20DN-D D20 LD CP TOMAHAWK, WI File Number Distance BNPDTL20100510AFG Undesireds: W42DH-D D21 LD APP SAYNER/VILAS COUNTY, WI W42DH-D Prop\_Ch-21 60.1 km WTPX-TV D19 DT APP ANTIGO, WI BLANK0000034927 53.9 Service area Terrain-limited IX-free, before IX-free, after 1600.9 29,211 1600.9 29,211 1593.8 29,211 1561.8 28,923 IX-free, after Percent New IX 2.01 0.99 Unique IX, after Undesired Total IX Unique IX, before W42DH-D D21 LD APP 32.0 288 WTPX-TV D19 DT APP 7.0 0 32.0 288 0 7.0 7.0 \_\_\_\_\_\_ Interference to BLANK0000034736 APP scenario 1 Chan Svc Status City, State File Number
D21 DT APP CHIPPEWA FALLS, WI BLANK0000034736 Call Distance Desired: WEUX Undesireds: W42DH-D D21 LD APP SAYNER/VILAS COUNTY, WI W42DH-D Prop Ch-21 205.0 km BLEDT20081223AAK KSMQ-TV D20 DT LIC AUSTIN, MN WIFS D21 DT CP JANESVILLE, WI WUCW D22 DT LIC MINNEAPOLIS, MN BLANK0000026425 274.3 BLCDT20060405AAI 116.2 
 Service area
 Terrain-limited
 IX-free, before
 IX-free, after

 22080.2
 404,847
 21593.9
 399,398
 20939.6
 375,868
 20928.6
 375,839
 IX-free, after Percent New IX 0.05 0.01

Unique IX, before

58.2

60.2 748 58.2 748 593.1 22,782 593.1 22,782

1.0 0 58.2 748

Unique IX, after

0

748

22,760

11.0 29

1.0

57.2

592.0

Interference to BLANK0000034736 APP scenario 2

60.2

W42DH-D D21 LD APP 13.0 51 KSMQ-TV D20 DT LIC 3.0 0

Undesired

WIFS D21 DT CP

WUCW D22 DT LIC

Total IX

748

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Desired:		Chan Svc Status D21 DT APP	City, State CHIPPEWA FALLS, WI	File Number BLANK0000034736	Distance
Undesireds:	W42DH-D KSMQ-TV WIFS WUCW	D21 LD APP D20 DT LIC D21 DT APP D22 DT LIC	SAYNER/VILAS COUNTY, WI AUSTIN, MN JANESVILLE, WI MINNEAPOLIS, MN	W42DH-D Prop_Ch-21 BLEDT20081223AAK BLANK0000034588 BLCDT20060405AAI	205.0 km 161.2 271.5 116.2
Service area 22080.2 404,847		Terrain-limit 21593.9 399,3	IX-free, before 398 20893.5 375,288	IX-free, after 20882.5 375,259	Percent New IX 0.05 0.01
Undesired W42DH-D D21 LD APP KSMQ-TV D20 DT LIC WIFS D21 DT APP WUCW D22 DT LIC			IX Unique IX, before 51 0 1.0 0 328 104.3 1,328 782 593.1 22,782		
		0000034736 APP scer	 nario 3		
Desired:	Call WEUX	Chan Svc Status D21 DT APP	City, State CHIPPEWA FALLS, WI	File Number BLANK0000034736	Distance
Undesireds:	W42DH-D KSMQ-TV WIFS WUCW	D21 LD APP D20 DT LIC D21 DT BL D22 DT LIC	SAYNER/VILAS COUNTY, WI AUSTIN, MN JANESVILLE, WI MINNEAPOLIS, MN	W42DH-D Prop_Ch-21 BLEDT20081223AAK DTVBL26025 BLCDT20060405AAI	205.0 km 161.2 274.3 116.2
Service area		Terrain-limit 21593.9 399,3	zed IX-free, before 398 20939.6 375,858	IX-free, after 20928.6 375,829	Percent New IX 0.05 0.01
			IX Unique IX, before 51 0 1.0 0 758 58.2 758 782 593.1 22,782		
Interference to proposal scenario 1					
Desired:			City, State SAYNER/VILAS COUNTY, WI		Distance
Undesireds:			TOMAHAWK, WI CHIPPEWA FALLS, WI JANESVILLE, WI		
Service area 7193.3 57,254		Terrain-limit	zed IX-free 253 7036.8 56,910	Percent IX 0.94 0.60	
Undesired W20DN-D D20 LD CP WEUX D21 DT APP		Total 26.1 42.5	IX Unique IX 313 24.1 313 30 40.5 30		

#### Channel and Facility Information

Section	Question	Response
Proposed Community of	Facility ID	167156
License	State	Wisconsin
	City	SAYNER/VILAS COUNTY
	LPT Channel	21

### Antenna Location Data

Section	Question	Response
Antenna Structure Registration	Do you have an FCC Antenna Structure Registration (ASR) Number?	Yes
	ASR Number	1034107
Coordinates (NAD83)	Latitude	46° 01' 55.0" N+
	Longitude	089° 31' 49.0" W-
	Structure Type	TOWER-A free standing or guyed struct
	Overall Structure Height	150.9 meters
	Support Structure Height	143.3 meters
	Ground Elevation (AMSL)	519.7 meters
Antenna Data	Height of Radiation Center Above Ground Level	130.8 meters
	Height of Radiation Center Above Mean Sea Level	650.5 meters
	Effective Radiated Power	15 kW

### Antenna Technical Data

Section	Question	Response
Antenna Type	Antenna Type	Non-Directional
	Do you have an Antenna ID?	
	Antenna ID	
Antenna Manufacturer and	Manufacturer:	ERI
Model	Model	ALP16L2-CSO-21
	Rotation	0 degrees
	Electrical Beam Tilt	0.5
	Mechanical Beam Tilt	Not Applicable
	toward azimuth	
	Polarization	Circular
Elevation Radiation Pattern	Does the proposed antenna propose elevation radiation patterns that vary with azimuth for reasons other than the use of mechanical beam tilt?	No
	Uploaded file for elevation antenna (or radiation) pattern data	
	Out-of-Channel Emission Mask:	Full Service