

## **ENGINEERING EXHIBIT**

### **Application for Digital Television Station Construction Permit**

prepared for

#### **Gray Television Licensee, LLC**

KSTF(DT) Scottsbluff, NE

Facility ID 63182

Ch. 29 55 kW 190 m

*Gray Television Licensee, LLC* (“Gray”) is the licensee of digital television station KSTF(DT), Channel 29, Facility ID 63182, Scottsbluff, NE. KSTF is licensed (file# 0000001046) to operate with 3.5 kW effective radiated power (“ERP”) at 187 meters antenna height above average terrain (“HAAT”). Gray proposes herein to increase the ERP to 55 kW. This application is intended to be filed during the temporary lift of the freeze on minor modification applications that expand the coverage contour.<sup>1</sup>

KSTF will continue to employ its presently licensed directional antenna system which is side-mounted on the tower structure associated with FCC Antenna Structure Registration number 1025886. No change to overall structure height will result from this proposal. The antenna HAAT is adjusted to 190 meters.<sup>2</sup>

The antenna is a circularly polarized ERI model ALP16L2-CSOC-29. The directional antenna’s azimuthal pattern is supplied in Figure 1 and the elevation pattern is depicted in Figures 2 and 2A.

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<sup>1</sup>Public Notice “Media Bureau Temporarily Lifts the Freeze on the Filing of Minor Modification Applications that Expand the Contour of Full Power and Class A Television Stations from November 28 through December 7, 2017” DA 17-1086, released November 6, 2017.

<sup>2</sup>There is no change in antenna height above ground or above mean sea level. The KSTF antenna HAAT is recalculated to be 190.3 meters, based on FCC 30 meter terrain data developed by OET.

Figure 3 supplies a map that demonstrates compliance with §73.625(a)(1) regarding coverage of the entire principal community. The proposed facility's predicted population exceeds 95 percent of the Incentive Auction<sup>3</sup> baseline facility population.

Interference study per FCC OET Bulletin 69<sup>4</sup> shows that the proposal complies with the 0.5 percent limit of new interference caused to pertinent nearby post-auction full service and Class A television stations and reassignments as required by §73.616. The interference study output report is provided as Table 1. TVStudy analysis also shows that the proposed power increase would not cause impermissible interference to any pre-auction facility that was reassigned or relinquished in the incentive auction.

The nearest FCC monitoring station is 454 km distant at Grand Island, NE. 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 kilometers of the site. The site location is beyond the border areas requiring international coordination.

### **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), 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  $11.2 \mu\text{W}/\text{cm}^2$ , which is 3.0 percent of the general population/uncontrolled maximum permitted exposure limit. This is below the five percent threshold limit described in §1.1307(b)

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<sup>3</sup>*Incentive Auction Closing and Channel Reassignment Public Notice*, DA 17-317, released April 13, 2017.

<sup>4</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, 2 km cell size, and 1 km terrain increment. Comparisons of various results of this computer program (run on a Mac processor) to the FCC's implementation of TVStudy show excellent correlation.

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	Antenna Azimuthal Pattern
Figure 2, 2A	Antenna Elevation Pattern
Figure 3	Proposed Coverage Contours
Table 1	OET Bulletin 69 Interference Study
Form 2100	Saved Version of Engineering Sections from FCC Form at Time of Upload

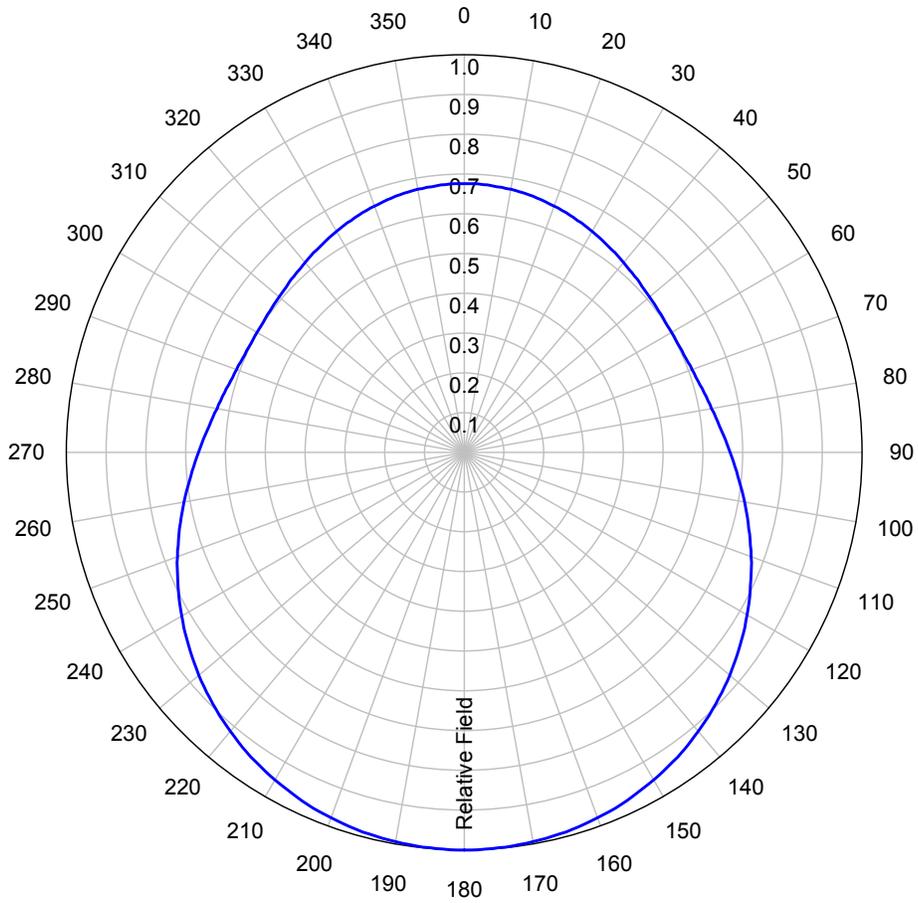
**Chesapeake RF Consultants, LLC**

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207 Old Dominion Road                      Yorktown, VA 23692                      703-650-9600

**AZIMUTH PATTERN**

Type: ALP-OC  
 Directivity: Numeric 1.70 dBd 2.30  
 Peak(s) at: \_\_\_\_\_

Channel: 29  
 Location: Scottsbluff NE  
 Polarization: Horizontal  
 Note: Pattern shape and directivity may vary with channel and mouting configuration.



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**Figure 1**  
**Antenna Azimuthal Pattern**  
**KSTF(DT) Scottsbluff, NE**  
**Facility ID 63182**  
**Ch. 29 55 kW 190 m**

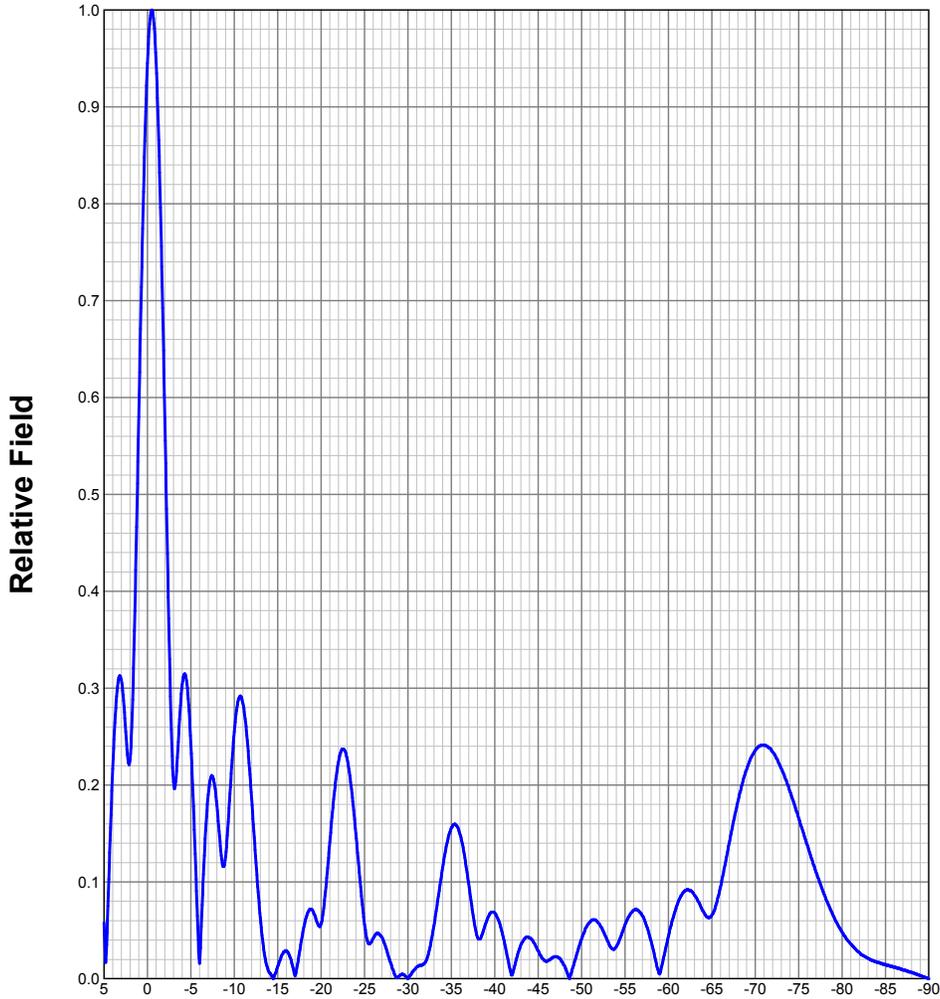
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**ELEVATION PATTERN**

Type:	ALP16L2		Channel:	29
Directivity:	Numeric	dBd	Location:	Scottsbluff NE
Main Lobe:	16.59	12.20	Beam Tilt:	-0.50
Horizontal:	14.82	11.71	Polarization:	Horizontal



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**Figure 2**  
**Antenna Elevation Pattern**  
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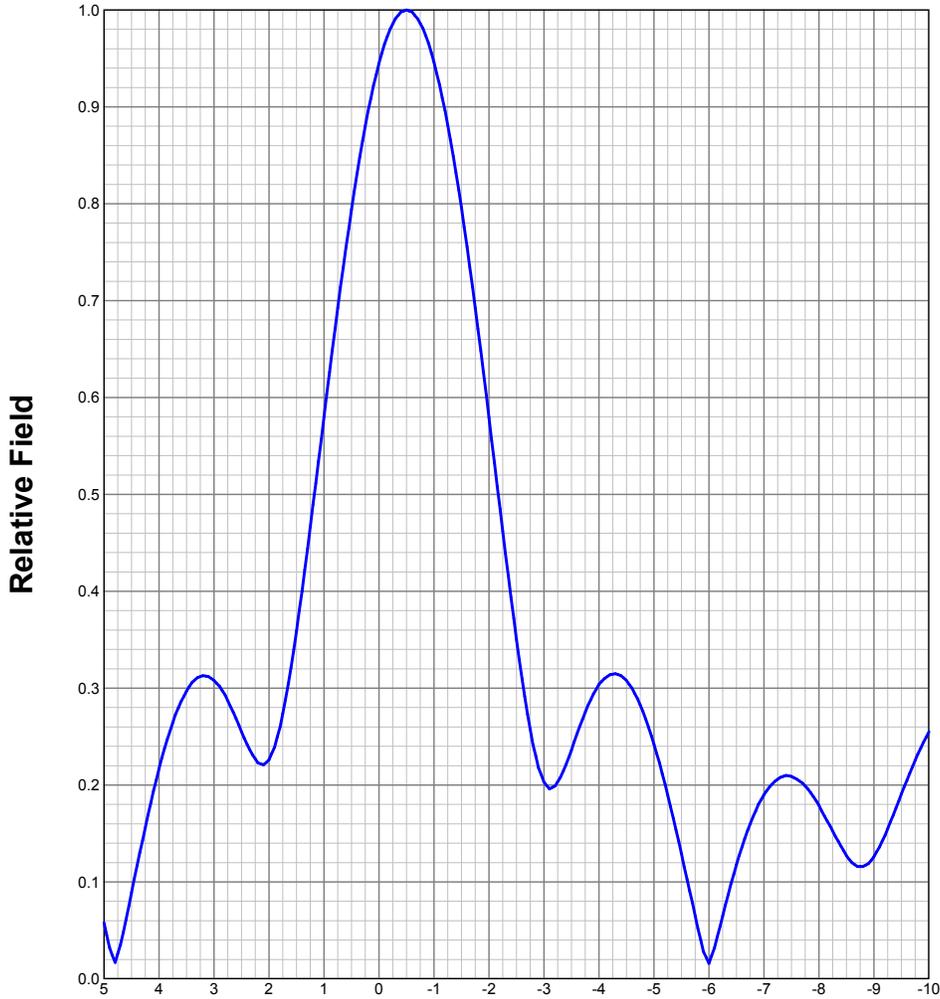
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**Figure 2A - Detail  
Antenna Elevation Pattern  
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**Table 1 KSTF OET Bulletin 69 Interference Study**  
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tvstudy v2.2.4 (Z2Qqz3)  
Database: localhost, Study: KSTF 55kW\_Prop, Model: Longley-Rice  
Start: 2017.12.05 16:45:21

Study created: 2017.12.05 16:45:21

Study build station data: LMS TV 2017-12-04 LMSTV

Proposal: KSTF D29 DT APP SCOTTSBLUFF, NE  
File number: KSTF 55kW  
Facility ID: 63182  
Station data: User record  
Record ID: 1528  
Country: U.S.  
Zone: II

Stations potentially affected by proposal:

IX	Call	Chan	Svc	Status	City, State	File Number	Distance
Yes	KDEN-TV	D29	DT	LIC	LONGMONT, CO	BLCDT20100317AAM	234.8 km
No	KGWN-TV	D30	DT	LIC	CHEYENNE, WY	BLCDT20070327AEQ	149.2

No non-directional AM stations found within 0.8 km

No directional AM stations found within 3.2 km

Record parameters as studied:

Channel: D29  
Latitude: 41 59 58.40 N (NAD83)  
Longitude: 103 40 32.20 W  
Height AMSL: 1484.6 m  
HAAT: 190.3 m  
Peak ERP: 55.0 kW  
Antenna: ERI-ALP16L2-CSOC-29 (ID 1000511) 0.0 deg  
Elev Pattn: Generic  
Elec Tilt: 0.50

40.2 dBu contour:

Azimuth	ERP	HAAT	Distance
0.0 deg	25.1 kW	87.5 m	55.3 km
45.0	20.8	104.1	56.5
90.0	24.5	157.7	61.5
135.0	43.9	236.7	70.0
180.0	55.0	269.1	73.5
225.0	43.9	259.7	71.6
270.0	24.5	224.0	66.2
315.0	20.8	183.2	62.5

Distance to Canadian border: 778.0 km

Distance to Mexican border: 1163.2 km

Conditions at FCC monitoring station: Grand Island NE  
Bearing: 103.6 degrees Distance: 453.1 km

Proposal is not within the West Virginia quiet zone area

Conditions at Table Mountain receiving zone:  
Bearing: 212.8 degrees Distance: 247.4 km  
ERP: 48.7 kW Field strength: 9.6 dBu, 0.0 mV/m

Study cell size: 2.00 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%

**Table 1 KSTF OET Bulletin 69 Interference Study**  
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 Interference to BLCDT20100317AAM LIC scenario 1

Desired:	Call	Chan	Svc	Status	City, State	File Number	Distance			
	KDEN-TV	D29	DT	LIC	LONGMONT, CO	BLCDT20100317AAM				
Undesireds:	KSTF	D29	DT	BL	SCOTTSBLUFF, NE	DTVBL63182	234.8 km			
	KSTF	D29	DT	APP	SCOTTSBLUFF, NE	KSTF 55kW	234.8			
	KTFD-TV	D28	DT	CP	DENVER, CO	BLANK0000029913	49.8			
	KGWN-TV	D30	DT	LIC	CHEYENNE, WY	BLCDT20070327AEQ	111.6			
	Service area	Terrain-limited	IX-free, before	IX-free, after	Percent New IX					
	24382.5	3,376,799	22908.1	3,351,182	22621.4	3,319,903	22605.3	3,319,865	0.07	0.00
Undesired			Total IX	Unique IX, before	Unique IX, after					
KSTF D29 DT BL		4.0	0	4.0	0					
KSTF D29 DT APP		20.0	38			20.0	38			
KTFD-TV D28 DT CP		222.8	30,256	218.8	30,245	218.8	30,245			
KGWN-TV D30 DT LIC		63.9	1,034	59.9	1,023	59.9	1,023			

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 Interference to proposal scenario 1

Desired:	Call	Chan	Svc	Status	City, State	File Number	Distance	
	KSTF	D29	DT	APP	SCOTTSBLUFF, NE	KSTF 55kW		
Undesireds:	KDEN-TV	D29	DT	LIC	LONGMONT, CO	BLCDT20100317AAM	234.8 km	
	Service area	Terrain-limited	IX-free	Percent IX				
	13265.0	56,014	12895.0	55,859	12794.6	55,822	0.78	0.07
Undesired			Total IX	Unique IX	Prcnt Unique IX			
KDEN-TV D29 DT LIC		100.3	37	100.3	37	0.78	0.07	

**Channel and Facility Information**

Section	Question	Response
<b>Proposed Community of License</b>	Facility ID	63182
	State	Nebraska
	City	SCOTTSBLUFF
	DTV Channel	29
<b>Facility Type</b>	Facility Type	Commercial
	Station Type	Main
<b>Zone</b>	Zone	2

**Antenna Location Data**

Section	Question	Response
<b>Antenna Structure Registration</b>	Do you have an FCC Antenna Structure Registration (ASR) Number?	Yes
	ASR Number	1025886
<b>Coordinates (NAD83)</b>	Latitude	41° 59' 58.4" N+
	Longitude	103° 40' 32.2" W-
	Structure Type	GTOWER-Guyed Structure Used for Communication Purposes
	Overall Structure Height	152.1 meters
	Support Structure Height	151.5 meters
	Ground Elevation (AMSL)	1339.6 meters
<b>Antenna Data</b>	Height of Radiation Center Above Ground Level	145.0 meters
	Height of Radiation Center Above Average Terrain	190.3 meters
	Height of Radiation Center Above Mean Sea Level	1484.6 meters
	Effective Radiated Power	55 kW

**Antenna  
Technical Data**

Section	Question	Response
<b>Antenna Type</b>	Antenna Type	Directional Custom
	Do you have an Antenna ID?	Yes
	Antenna ID	119293
<b>Antenna Manufacturer and Model</b>	Manufacturer:	ERI
	Model	ALP16L2-CSOC-29
	Rotation	0.0 degrees
	Electrical Beam Tilt	0.5
	Mechanical Beam Tilt	Not Applicable
	toward azimuth	
	Polarization	Circular
<b>DTV and DTS: Elevation Pattern</b>	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	

**Directional Antenna Relative Field Values (Pre-rotated Pattern)**

Degree	V <sub>A</sub> (Authorized Value)						
0	0.676	90	0.668	180	1	270	0.668
10	0.672	100	0.715	190	0.994	280	0.631
20	0.659	110	0.767	200	0.978	290	0.609
30	0.642	120	0.82	210	0.951	300	0.602
40	0.623	130	0.871	220	0.915	310	0.608
50	0.608	140	0.915	230	0.871	320	0.623
60	0.602	150	0.951	240	0.82	330	0.642
70	0.609	160	0.978	250	0.767	340	0.659
80	0.631	170	0.994	260	0.715	350	0.672

**Additional Azimuths**

Degree	V <sub>A</sub>
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**Construction  
Permit  
Certifications**

Section	Question	Response
<p><b>Post-Incentive Auction Expedited Processing</b></p>	<p>It will operate on the DTV channel for this station as established in the post-incentive auction channel reassignment public notice.</p>	<p>Yes</p>
	<p>It will operate post-incentive auction facilities that do not expand the noise-limited service contour in any direction beyond that established by the post-incentive auction channel reassignment public notice.</p>	<p>No</p>
	<p>It will operate post-incentive auction facilities that match or reduce by no more than five percent with respect to predicted population from those defined in the post-incentive auction channel reassignment public notice.</p>	<p>Yes</p>
	<p>The antenna structure to be used by this facility has been registered by the Commission and will not require re-registration to support the proposed antenna, OR the FAA has previously determined that the proposed structure will not adversely affect safety in air navigation and this structure qualifies for later registration under the Commission's phased registration plan, OR the proposed installation on this structure does not require notification to the FAA pursuant to 47 C.F.R. Section 17.7.</p>	<p>Yes</p>
<p><b>Environmental Effect</b></p>	<p>Would a Commission grant of Authorization for this location be an action which may have a significant environmental effect? (See Section 1.1306 of 47 C.F.R.)</p>	<p>No</p>
<p><b>Broadcast Facility</b></p>	<p>The proposed facility complies with the applicable engineering standards and assignment requirements of 47 C.F.R. Sections 73.616, 73.622(j), 73.623(e), 73.625, 73.1030, and 73.1125.</p>	<p>Yes</p>