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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Application of WatchTV, Inc.  
LMS File No. 0000024543  
KKEI-CD, Facility ID 71078, Portland, OR

Attention: Video Division, Media Bureau

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On behalf of WatchTV, Inc. ("WatchTV"), this is to request that the Commission hold the above-referenced application for legal special temporary authority ("STA") for Class A television station KKEI-CD in abeyance until 30 days after release of the anticipated Report and Order in GN Docket No. 16-142.<sup>1</sup>

The application requests a service rule waiver, pursuant to Section 73.3700(f) of the Commission's Rules, to allow KKEI-CD to operate with flexible technology in lieu of receiving reimbursement of the station's costs of moving to a new channel under Section 6403(b)(1)(B)(i) of the Spectrum Act.

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<sup>1</sup> *Authorizing Permissive Use of the "Next Generation" Broadcast Television Standard*, 32 FCC Rcd. 1670 (2017).

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In GN Docket No. 16-142, the Commission is considering authorizing television broadcast stations, including Class A stations, to transmit using the new ATSC 3.0 technical standard, which within itself will allow the provision of new types of services to the public. When WatchTV learns the final parameters of whatever rules the Commission may adopt, it will be in a better position to evaluate whether the new rules will be sufficient to enable WatchTV to provide flexible services to the public or whether additional flexibility is still desired. If additional flexibility is not needed, WatchTV may dismiss the pending STA request. If additional flexibility is still desired, WatchTV will be in a position to provide more details about what technologies it may wish to implement.

While the application is being held in abeyance, WatchTV will continue to keep its pending Form 399 reimbursement request up to date.

If there are any questions about this request, please contact the undersigned.

Very truly yours,



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