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**Re: Assignment of Virtual Channel 44  
WZDC-CD, Washington, DC (FIN 50347)**

Dear Mr. Hashemzadeh:

NBC Telemundo License LLC ("NBC") hereby respectfully requests that the Commission assign "virtual" channel 44 for use by digital class A television station WZDC-CD, Washington, DC (FIN 50347), pursuant to ATSC A/65C, ATSC Program and System Information Protocol for Terrestrial Broadcast and Cable, Revision C With Amendment No. 1 dated May 9, 2006, ("PSIP Standard").<sup>1</sup> NBC is the proposed assignee of WZDC-CD,<sup>2</sup> and the FCC granted a construction permit for the station to channel share with NBC-owned WRC-TV, Washington, DC (FIN 47904).<sup>3</sup> It is requested that the assignment of virtual channel 44 to WZDC-CD be effective upon consummation of the transaction in which NBC will acquire the station and WZDC-CD commences shared channel operations.

The assignment of virtual channel 44 to WZDC-CD is appropriate and such designation is consistent with Annex B, Section B.1.1 (4) of the PSIP Standard, which provides that a station with a virtual channel conflict is to use the RF channel of the station causing the conflict.

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<sup>1</sup> Section 73.382(d) of the FCC's rules generally require digital broadcast television signals to comply with the PSIP Standard. The most recent version of the PSIP Standard, dated August 7, 2013, is available at <http://atsc.org/standard/a652013-program-and-system-information-protocol-for-terrestrial-broadcast-and-cable/>.

<sup>2</sup> See FCC File No. BAL-20171219AEC; granted January 30, 2018.

<sup>3</sup> See FCC File No. 0000035987; granted December 19, 2017.

In the case of WZDC-CD, no virtual channel is designated according to CDBS. WZDC-CD was, however, originally on analog RF channel 64, and thus WZDC-CD should use virtual channel 64 pursuant to the PSIP Standard. However, virtual channel 64 is not available for use by WZDC-CD once shared channel operations begin because the post-auction contours of WZDC-CD and WDPB, Seaford, Delaware (FIN 72335) will overlap. WDPB is currently on RF channel 44, repacked to RF channel 24, and is assigned virtual channel 64. In addition, WDPB's repacked RF channel 24 is not available for use as the virtual channel for WZDC-CD because the post-auction contours of WZDC-CD and WUTB, Baltimore, Maryland (FIN 60552) overlap. See attached map.

Accordingly, the assignment of virtual channel 44 to WZDC-CD is consistent with Annex B, at Section B.1.1 (4).

Respectfully submitted,

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# Contour Overlap: WZDC-CD on WRC-TV vs. WDPB & WUTB

WUTB (VC 24)

- WUTB Licensed (BLCDT20100809CHT)
- - - On WBFF Licensed (BLCDT20110131ASE)
- . - . On WBFF Post repack (LMS 0000025699)

WDPB (VC 64, RF 44 > 24)

- Licensed (BLEDT20050624AAK)
- Post repack CP(LMS 0000026250)

WZDC-CD (VC 64) on WRC-TV

- Licensed (BLCDT20000216AAT)
- Post Repack CP (LMS 0000034340)

