

**HEARST PROPERTIES INC.**  
**REQUEST FOR WAIVER**  
**FOR**  
**DISPLACEMENT OF DIGITAL TRANSLATOR**  
**K49CZ-D**  
**CABALLO, NM**

Hearst Properties Inc. (Hearst) is the licensee of digital television translator station K49CZ-D (BLDTT-20140319AAX, Facility ID. 53890) near Caballo, NM. The station currently operates on Ch. 49, which is outside the new core of channels allocated for television broadcasting in the US (Ch. 2-36) following the results of the 2016/2017 Incentive Auction.

The translator recently received a 120-day notice from T-Mobile (copy attached hereto) informing it that T-Mobile is preparing to commence operations on its 600 MHz spectrum and that K49CZ is likely to cause harmful interference to its operations. It is possible that K49CZ will be required to terminate operation on Ch. 49 before it can complete the process of obtaining a new channel in the Special Displacement Window for translators.

Given the circumstances, Hearst respectfully requests a waiver of the Displacement Freeze for K49CZ, according to the procedures detailed in the FCC Public Notice released on June 14, 2017 ([DA 17-584, Incentive Auction Task Force and Media Bureau Set Forth Tools Available to LPTV/Translator Stations Displaced Prior to the Special Displacement Window](#)).

Attached:  
T-Mobile 120 Day Notice



**VIA CERTIFIED MAIL & EMAIL**

2/1/2018

KOAT HEARST TELEVISION INC.  
PO Box 1800  
Raleigh, NC 27602

RE: Notification of Intent to Begin 600MHz Operations

Dear K49CZ-D/ Facility ID: 53890 Licensee:

T-Mobile USA, Inc. ("T-Mobile") is notifying you that T-Mobile is preparing to commence operations on its 600MHz spectrum in the Partial Economic Area ("PEA") # 323 by 8/10/2018 and your station is likely to cause harmful interference to T-Mobile's operations.

To determine if your station(s) is likely to cause interference, an interference analysis has been performed, as specified by the Federal Communications Commissions' ("FCC") Inter-service Interference procedures<sup>29</sup>, using publicly available information in the FCC's Licensing and Management System ("LMS") for your facility. This analysis predicts field strength at T-Mobile's base station and user equipment locations in the PEA # 323 market from your facility. The FCC has set the thresholds at which the predicted field strength from low power TV and translator stations creates a sufficient interference risk to wireless facilities. T-Mobile has determined that your facility exceeds those thresholds and is an interference risk to its wireless operations.

T-Mobile will commence its operations in the PEA # 323 market on 8/10/2018. This letter provides the 120 days' advance notification required by FCC regulations, 47 CFR §73.3700(g)(4). The FCC regulations also require you to cease operations or eliminate the potential for harmful interference to T-Mobile's wireless facilities in the PEA # 323 market.

The FCC will work with you to attempt find a new television channel outside of the new 600 MHz mobile band that will not interfere with T-Mobile's network. You should review the FCC's Tools Available to LPTV/Translator Station Public Notice (enclosed) released on June 14, 2017 and contact Hossein Hashemzadeh, Melvin Collins, or Barbara Kreisman at the FCC for more information about the options available in your area.<sup>30</sup>

Please email [600MhzFC@T-Mobile.com](mailto:600MhzFC@T-Mobile.com) once you have determined when you will eliminate the interference. If you would like additional information regarding our findings or if it might be

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<sup>29</sup> See 30 FCC Rcd 12049, 12071, para. 49 (2015)

<sup>30</sup> See <https://www.fcc.gov/document/iatf-mb-set-forth-tools-available-lptvtranslator-stations>

possible to coordinate our operations, please submit a request to Dan Wilson, Sr. Manager, Spectrum Engineering, at [600MhzFC@T-Mobile.com](mailto:600MhzFC@T-Mobile.com).

Sincerely,

/s/ Dan Wilson

Sr. Manager, Spectrum Engineering, T-Mobile USA, Inc.