

WNXY-LD, New York, NY
Facility ID 29233
New York Spectrum Holding Company LLC
FRN 0021234943

JUSTIFICATION FOR REQUESTING EXTENSION

The underlying construction permit authorizes displacement from Channel 43 to Channel 10. Construction was initially deferred because the impending repack of the TV spectrum raised a question as to whether Channel 10 might be taken away to accommodate a full power or Class A station.

The repack channels have now been announced, and Channel 10 has not been pre-empted by a higher class of station. In addition, the licensee has received a notification from T-Mobile, winning bidder in the forward part of the incentive auction, requiring WNYX-LD to vacate Channel 43 by June 3, 2018.

Since Channel 10 remains available, and operation on Channel 43 must cease three months from now, the station must move forward with construction. Because the station will move from the UHF to the VHF band, construction will require equipment changes well beyond just re-tuning the existing transmitter. It will not be feasible to completely construction by the time the permit expires, only one month from now.

An additional 6 months' time is requested to complete the move to Channel 10. If construction has not been completed by June 3, and an arrangement cannot be made with T-Mobile for additional time to vacate Channel 43, it may be necessary to take the station silent or to operate with temporary facilities for some period of time, in which case an appropriate request will be filed for authority to remain silent or to transmit with temporary facilities.