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Re: Notification of New Post-Incentive
Auction Transition Linked Station
KFTV-DT, Hanford, CA
Facility ID No. 34439

Dear Licensee,

This letter is to inform you that KFTV-DT, Hanford, California (KFTV-DT), is part of a new linked station set and is required to coordinate the testing and commencement of operations on its post-auction channel with KSEE(TV), Fresno, California (KSEE).¹ This coordination is necessary because KSEE's post-auction channel recently was changed from channel 16 to channel 20, and its transition phase assignment was changed from Phase 1 to Phase 10.²

In the *Closing and Channel Reassignment Public Notice*, KSEE was assigned to transition Phase 1.³ The *Transition Scheduling Adoption Public Notice* prescribes that a temporary increase in pairwise (station-to-station) interference of up to two percent during the post-incentive auction transition period is permissible.⁴ Commission staff has conducted a technical analysis and determined that as a result of the channel change, if KSEE were to complete its transition to its new post-auction channel during Phase 1, KFTV-DT would receive and cause interference in excess of the permissible threshold with full power television KMAX-TV. Specifically, Commission staff found that KFTV-DT would receive and cause 98.5 percent pairwise interference with KSEE. Commission staff determined that modifying KSEE's phase assignment to Phase 10 and creating a new linked station set with KFTV-DT would result in both

¹ KSEE is licensed to Nexstar Broadcasting, Inc.

² KSEE's post-auction channel was changed because following release of the *Closing and Channel Reassignment Public Notice*, the Commission determined that due to issues related to land mobile radio operations KSEE would be unable to construct and operate its post-auction facility as assigned. See Letter from Barbara A. Kreisman to Nexstar Broadcasting, Inc., LMS File No. 0000024894 (Jun. 28, 2017). See LMS File No. 0000029688 (major modification application granting change in channel from channel 16 to channel 20).

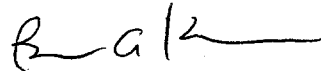
³ See *Incentive Auction Closing and Channel Reassignment Public Notice: The Broadcast Television Incentive Auction Closes; Reverse Auction and Forward Auction Results Announced; Final Television Band Channel Assignments Announced; Post-Auction Deadlines Announced*, Public Notice, 32 FCC Rcd 2786 (WTB & MB 2017)

⁴ *Incentive Auction Task Force and Media Bureau Adopt a Post-Incentive Auction Transition Scheduling Plan*, 32 FCC Rcd 890, 897, para. 16 (MB 2017).

station's satisfying the interference levels permitted under the *Transition Scheduling Adoption Public Notice*.⁵

Accordingly, KFTV-DT **MUST COORDINATE** commencement of testing and operations on its post-auction channel with KSEE. This required coordination with KSEE **DOES NOT** impact KFTV-DT's current assignment to transition Phase 10, which has a testing period start date of May 2, 2020, and phase completion date of July 3, 2020.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'B A Kreisman', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Barbara A. Kreisman
Chief, Video Division
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⁵ KSEE has also been informed by letter of the change of the change in its transition phase and the requirement to coordinate both testing and commencement of operations on its new post-auction channel with KFTV-DT.