

Letter of Support from T-Mobile

As previously noted in the Applicant's waiver request, the station's pre-transition channel is Channel 51, which is immediately adjacent to the 700 MHz band.

T-Mobile is the wireless licensee of the spectrum immediately adjacent to Channel 51. Attached is a letter from T-Mobile that indicates T-Mobile's support for WTAE-TV's early transition because "early relocation of WTAE-TV from Channel 51, which is adjacent to T-Mobile's 700 MHz licenses, is beneficial to T-Mobile in that it would alleviate the need to implement inter-service interference techniques and permit more expansive deployment of wireless service in the PEA."

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May 11, 2018

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary, Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20554

**Re: Application of Hearst Stations, Inc. for Waiver of Transition Phase Assignment
Legal STA Application, LMS File No. 0000052992
WTAE-TV, Pittsburgh, PA (Fac. ID No. 65681)**

Dear Ms. Dortch,

T-Mobile USA, Inc. ("T-Mobile")¹ submits this letter in support of the above-referenced Request for Special Temporary Authority ("the Application") to allow WTAE-TV, Pittsburgh, PA (Fac. ID No. 65681), to complete its post-Incentive Auction channel reassignment from Channel 51 to Channel 27 approximately one year earlier than scheduled.

T-Mobile does not have an agreement or commercial arrangement with WTAE-TV or its licensee, Hearst Stations, Inc. ("Hearst") regarding an early transition for this station. However, T-Mobile is operating on 700 MHz A Block spectrum in the Pittsburgh, PA PEA. As such, early relocation of WTAE-TV from Channel 51, which is adjacent to T-Mobile's 700 MHz licenses, is beneficial to T-Mobile in that it would alleviate the need to implement inter-service interference techniques and permit more expansive deployment of wireless service in the PEA. Accordingly, grant of the early waiver would benefit the public interest.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Chris Wieczorek

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