

Circumstances Necessitating WYCI-DT Silence

WYCI-DT has pending a modification application to convert its post-transition station facilities on Ch. 34 to a DTS (File No. 0000056042) in order to ensure continued service to the community of license, Saranac Lake, after results of a tower structural analysis necessitated lowering the height of the new facility's antenna. WYCI-DT also has been granted a Legal STA (File no. 0000053983) to advance its post-Incentive Auction transition to September 1, 2018. In order to facilitate the expected build-out of the proposed DTS facility for post-auction operation, WYCI-DT must turn off its pre-auction facility (Ch. 40) at Saranac Lake to remove power amps for retuning. The process is expected to take more than 30 days, and, pursuant to the early transition waiver, Licensee does not plan to resume operations with pre-auction facilities. Therefore, a six-month silent STA is requested out of an abundance of caution until the DTS application is granted and the complete post-auction facilities can be constructed.