

ENGINEERING STATEMENT  
SUPPORTING REQUEST FOR WAIVER  
TELEVISION STATION WFWA(TV)  
(FACILITY ID NO. 22108)  
FORT WAYNE, INDIANA  
CHANNEL 18

Background

This statement was prepared on behalf of Fort Wayne Public Television, Inc., licensee of WFWA(TV), Fort Wayne, Indiana, in support of a request for waiver of the FCC's Phase Assignment, Testing Period, and Phase Completion Date for television station WFWA in the Ft. Wayne DMA<sup>\*</sup>. WFWA is licensed for operation on RF Channel 40 with a non-directional effective radiated power (ERP) of 152.8 kW and an antenna height above average terrain (HAAT) of 221 m.

As a result of the FCC's Incentive Auction repack process, the WFWA facility was reassigned to RF Channel 18. WFWA holds a construction permit (C.P.) for an expanded operation on Channel 18 with a maximum directional ERP of 925 kW and an antenna HAAT of 218.8 m.<sup>†</sup> FCC engineering database summary sheets for the WFWA licensed and C.P. facilities are attached hereto for reference.

In coordination with the wireless carrier T-Mobile, WFWA seeks a waiver of the FCC's Phase Assignment, Testing Period, and Phase Completion Date to allow WFWA to make the transition to Channel 18 earlier than its given phase transition date. Specifically, the target date for WFWA to begin operations on Channel 18 is September 1, 2018.<sup>‡</sup> This will facilitate the early deployment of new 600 MHz band wireless broadband services.

This statement demonstrates that WFWA can transition to Channel 18 before its assigned phase date without any disruption to the FCC's transition plans.

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<sup>\*</sup> Nielsen Designated Market Area abbreviated as DMA.

<sup>†</sup> See FCC File No. 0000034724.

<sup>‡</sup> The WFWA transition to Channel 18 will be done immediately following the completion of the transition of WISE-TV, Fort Wayne, IN, which is expected to occur on or before September 1, 2018 under a separate agreement with the licensee of WISE-TV to make an early transition to Channel 34.

### Assigned Phase

WFWA was assigned to transition Phase 6, with a testing begin date of September 7, 2019. This is based on the latest FCC Phase Assignment spreadsheet dated January 11, 2018.

### Linked Station Sets and Linked Station Neighbor Stations

An inspection of the latest FCC Linked Station Set (LSS) and Linked Station Neighbor (LSN) spreadsheet databases indicates that the WFWA facility is part of LSS ID No. 44 in Phase 6. WFWA is associated with WISE-TV (Facility ID 13960) in a LSN, which is the basis for its inclusion in LSS ID No. 44. These are based on the latest LSS and LSN spreadsheets available from the FCC, both dated January 11, 2018.

### Interference Caused Analysis Under Current Allocation Environment

An interference analysis was conducted for the WFWA Channel 18 C.P. facility utilizing the latest version<sup>§</sup> of the FCC's *TVStudy* coverage and interference analysis prediction software. The report of the results is attached hereto entitled 'Interference Caused Analysis for WFWA(TV) Channel 18 C.P. Facility Under Current Allocation Environment.'

The results of the analysis indicate that there are no cases of outgoing (caused) interference exceeding the normal 0.5% rounding tolerance level to any other protected full-power or Class A television stations now operating.\*\*

### Interference Received Analysis Under Current Allocation Environment

An interference analysis specifically for the 'received case' of interference was conducted for the WFWA Channel 18 C.P. facility utilizing the FCC's aforementioned

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<sup>§</sup> TVStudy Version 2.2.4

\*\* This is under the provision that the WFWA transition to Channel 18 will be done immediately following the completion of the transition of WISE-TV, which is expected to occur on or before September 1, 2018 under a separate agreement with the licensee of WISE-TV to make an early transition to Channel 34.

*TVStudy* prediction software. The report of the results is attached hereto entitled 'Interference Received Analysis for WFWA(TV) Channel 18 C.P. Facility Under Current Allocation Environment.' The purpose of this study is to evaluate all current environment records in the received interference analysis.

The results of the analysis indicate that there are no cases of incoming (received) interference exceeding the 2% temporary interference limit to the WFWA Channel 18 C.P. facility. In addition, as noted in the interference analysis, considering only the WFWA cells receiving service from the licensed Channel 40 facility, the predicted interference received is equivalent to 0.16%.

A map showing the predicted coverage contour for the WFWA C.P. facility and the predicted WFWA Licensed (40) and C.P. (18) service cells is attached hereto. This map demonstrates the basis for the calculation of the predicted interference level to the existing licensed service cells of WFWA. Specifically, only the WFWA Licensed service cells were employed in the evaluation of the service and interference effects on the early transition to Channel 18.

#### Effects on Linked Station Sets

Because the licensee of WISE-TV will coordinate its early transition to Channel 34 on or before September 1, 2018, the WFWA early transition immediately thereafter in advance of its phase transition date will not create any new linked station sets. In addition, the early transition of WFWA and WISE-TV will eliminate two stations from LSS ID No. 44, which will simplify the transition process.

Conclusion

It is concluded that the early transition of the WFWA C.P. facility on Channel 18, as described herein, will not result in the creation of any linked station sets established in the Incentive Auction repack process.

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Louis R. du Treil, Jr., P.E.

du Treil, Lundin & Rackley, Inc.  
3135 Southgate Circle  
Sarasota, Florida 34239

January 23, 2018



<b>Callsign:</b> WFWA	<b>Service:</b> DT	<b>Status:</b> LIC	<b>App. Status:</b> GRANT	<b>Border Code:</b> C	<b>Rec. Type:</b> C
<b>Channel:</b> 40	<b>Offset:</b>	<b>Zone:</b> 1	<b>Docket Number:</b>	<b>DTV Type:</b>	
<b>Fac. ID:</b> 22108	<b>Assoc. ID:</b>	<b>Application File No.:</b> BLEDT-20130905ABC			<b>DT Emission Mask:</b>
<b>City:</b> FORT WAYNE		<b>State:</b> IN	<b>Country:</b> US	<b>CP Expiration Date:</b>	
<b>Party Name:</b> FORT WAYNE PUBLIC TELEVISION, INC.				<b>Last Change Date:</b> 11/8/2013	

<b>Latitude (NAD 27):</b>	41-06-13	<b>Height AGL (m):</b>	219	<b>Polarization:</b>	H
<b>Longitude (NAD 27):</b>	085-11-28	<b>Overall Height AGL (m):</b>	227.7	<b>Electrical Tilt (°):</b>	0.5
<b>Latitude (NAD 83):</b>	041-06-13.2	<b>ERP (kW):</b>	152.8	<b>Mechanical Tilt (°):</b>	
<b>Longitude (NAD 83):</b>	085-11-27.9	<b>Maximum ERP (kW):</b>		<b>Mechanical Tilt Azimuth (°):</b>	
<b>RCAMSL (m):</b>	467	<b>Maximum ERP (dBk):</b>	21.84	<b>Degrees True (°):</b>	
<b>Site Elevation AMSL (m):</b>	248	<b>Maximum ERP at any Angle (kW):</b>		<b>Antenna Make:</b>	DIE
<b>HAAT (m):</b>	221			<b>Antenna Model:</b>	TFU-28GTH-R 04 DC
<b>Maximum HAAT (m):</b>	237				

**Antenna Type:** N    **Antenna ID:** 87164    **Rotation (°):**

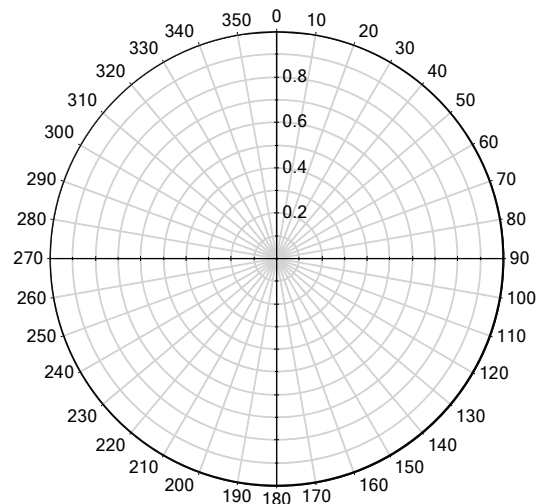
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<b>10°</b>	1.000	<b>100°</b>	1.000	<b>190°</b>	1.000	<b>280°</b>	1.000
<b>20°</b>	1.000	<b>110°</b>	1.000	<b>200°</b>	1.000	<b>290°</b>	1.000
<b>30°</b>	1.000	<b>120°</b>	1.000	<b>210°</b>	1.000	<b>300°</b>	1.000
<b>40°</b>	1.000	<b>130°</b>	1.000	<b>220°</b>	1.000	<b>310°</b>	1.000
<b>50°</b>	1.000	<b>140°</b>	1.000	<b>230°</b>	1.000	<b>320°</b>	1.000
<b>60°</b>	1.000	<b>150°</b>	1.000	<b>240°</b>	1.000	<b>330°</b>	1.000
<b>70°</b>	1.000	<b>160°</b>	1.000	<b>250°</b>	1.000	<b>340°</b>	1.000
<b>80°</b>	1.000	<b>170°</b>	1.000	<b>260°</b>	1.000	<b>350°</b>	1.000

**Standard Pattern:**

**Antenna Make:** DIE

**Antenna Model:** TFU-28GTH-R 04 DC

***Last Change Date:***



**Note: Rotation or tilt is not applied to the pattern shown**

Type:	TOWER	ASRN:	1030891	FAA Study No.:	82-AGL-185-OE	Structure Height (m):	212.0
Latitude (NAD 27):	041-06-12.8	Date Received:	11/11/2011			Structure Height (ft):	695.5
Longitude (NAD 27):	085-11-28.1	Date Entered:	11/11/2011			Ground Elevation (m):	248.0
Latitude (NAD 83):	41-06-13.0	Date Issued:	11/11/2011			Ground Elevation (ft):	813.6
Longitude (NAD 83):	085-11-28.0	Date Constructed:	07/01/1988			Overall Height AGL (m):	227.7
		Date Dismantled:				Overall Height AGL (ft):	747.0
Struct. Address:						Overall Height AMSL (m):	475.7
3632 BUTLER RD						Overall Height AMSL (ft):	1560.7
FORT WAYNE	IN						
Entity Name: FORT WAYNE PUBLIC TELEVISION							

# TV Inquiry

du Treil, Lundin, & Rackley, Inc., Sarasota, Florida



**Callsign:** WFWA      **Service:** DT      **Status:** CP MOD      **App. Status:** GRANT      **Border Code:**      **Rec. Type:** C  
**Channel:** 18      **Offset:**      **Zone:** 1      **Docket Number:**      **DTV Type:** POSTTRAN  
**Fac. ID:** 22108      **Assoc. ID:**      **Application File No.:** BLANK-0000034724      **DT Emission Mask:**  
**City:** FORT WAYNE      **State:** IN      **Country:** US      **CP Expiration Date:**  
**Party Name:** FORT WAYNE PUBLIC TELEVISION, INC.      **Last Change Date:** 1/8/2018

**Latitude (NAD 27):** 41-06-13      **Height AGL (m):** 219.2      **Polarization:** E  
**Longitude (NAD 27):** 085-11-28      **Overall Height AGL (m):** 227.7      **Electrical Tilt (°):** 0.5  
**Latitude (NAD 83):** 041-06-13.2      **ERP (kW):** 925      **Mechanical Tilt (°):**  
**Longitude (NAD 83):** 085-11-27.9      **Maximum ERP (kW):**      **Mechanical Tilt Azimuth (°):**  
**RCAMSL (m):** 467.2      **Maximum ERP (dBk):** 29.7      **Degrees True (°):**  
**Site Elevation AMSL (m):** 248      **Maximum ERP at any Angle (kW):**      **Antenna Make:**  
**HAAT (m):** 218.8      **Antenna Model:**  
**Maximum HAAT (m):**

**Antenna Type:** D      **Antenna ID:** 1002472      **Rotation (°):** 355

0° 0.784    90° 0.436    180° 0.731    270° 0.999    275° 1.000  
 10° 0.731    100° 0.436    190° 0.784    280° 0.999  
 20° 0.653    110° 0.393    200° 0.818    290° 0.988  
 30° 0.547    120° 0.326    210° 0.846    300° 0.967  
 40° 0.426    130° 0.283    220° 0.874    310° 0.938  
 50° 0.320    140° 0.320    230° 0.906    320° 0.906  
 60° 0.283    150° 0.426    240° 0.938    330° 0.874  
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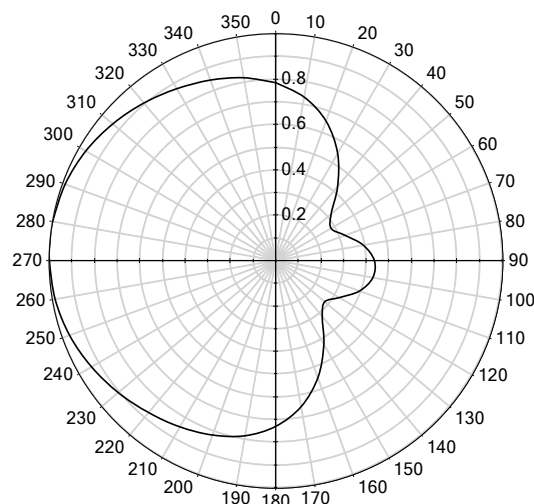
**Standard Pattern:**

**Antenna Make:** Die

**Antenna Model:** TFU-22JTH/VP-R S190

**Last Change Date:**

**Note:** Rotation or tilt is not applied to the pattern shown



**Type:** TOWER      **ASRN:** 1030891      **FAA Study No.:** 82-AGL-185-OE      **Structure Height (m):** 212.0  
**Latitude (NAD 27):** 041-06-12.8      **Date Received:** 11/11/2011      **Structure Height (ft):** 695.5  
**Longitude (NAD 27):** 085-11-28.1      **Date Entered:** 11/11/2011      **Ground Elevation (m):** 248.0  
**Latitude (NAD 83):** 41-06-13.0      **Date Issued:** 11/11/2011      **Ground Elevation (ft):** 813.6  
**Longitude (NAD 83):** 085-11-28.0      **Date Constructed:** 07/01/1988      **Overall Height AGL (m):** 227.7  
**Struct. Address:**      **Date Dismantled:**      **Overall Height AGL (ft):** 747.0  
 3632 BUTLER RD      **Overall Height AMSL (m):** 475.7  
 FORT WAYNE      **Overall Height AMSL (ft):** 1560.7  
**Entity Name:** FORT WAYNE PUBLIC TELEVISION

# INTERFERENCE CAUSED ANALYSIS FOR WFWA(TV) CHANNEL 18 C.P. FACILITY UNDER CURRENT ALLOCATION ENVIRONMENT

tvstudy v2.2.4 (Z2Qqz3)

Database: localhost, Study: wfwa18e1, Model: Longley-Rice

Study build station data: LMS TV 2018-01-23 (121)

Proposal: WFWA18E1 D18 DT CP FORT WAYNE, IN  
File number: wfwa18e1  
Facility ID: 22108  
Station data: User record  
Record ID: 2083  
Country: U.S.  
Zone: I

Build options:  
Protect pre-transition records not on baseline channel

Search options:  
All post-transition APP, CP, and baseline records excluded

Stations potentially affected by proposal:

IX	Call	Chan	Svc	Status	City, State	File Number	Distance
No	WYIN	D17	DT	LIC	GARY, IN	BLEDT20040206AAA	186.7 km
Yes	WISE-TV	D18	DT	LIC	FORT WAYNE, IN	BLCDT20091103ACK	0.6
No	WJTS-CD	D18	DC	LIC	JASPER, IN	BLDTL20090212ABK	335.0
No	WKYU-TV	D18	DT	LIC	BOWLING GREEN, KY	BLEDT20040803AAG	461.7
No	WDWO-CD	D18	DC	LIC	DETROIT, MI	BLDTA20130108ABZ	218.6
Yes	WKEF	D18	DT	LIC	DAYTON, OH	BLANK0000004293	172.6
No	WVTV	D18	DT	LIC	MILWAUKEE, WI	BLCDT20101012ADH	314.8
No	WGN-TV	D19	DT	LIC	CHICAGO, IL	BMLCDT20080201APP	221.0
No	WDNI-CD	D19	DC	LIC	INDIANAPOLIS, IN	BLDTA20090615ADH	163.1
No	WXMI	D19	DT	LIC	GRAND RAPIDS, MI	BLCDT20030117ABD	178.3

No non-directional AM stations found within 0.8 km

No directional AM stations found within 3.2 km

Record parameters as studied:

**Channel: D18**

Latitude: 41 6 13.00 N (NAD83)  
Longitude: 85 11 28.00 W  
Height AMSL: 467.2 m  
HAAT: 218.8 m

**Peak ERP: 925 kW**

Antenna: Dielectric-TFU-22JTH/VP-R S190 (ID 1002472) 355.0 deg  
Elev Pattn: Generic  
Elec Tilt: 0.50

39.1 dBu contour:

Azimuth	ERP	HAAT	Distance
0.0 deg	531 kW	208.4 m	82.7 km
45.0	94.7	220.2	74.0
90.0	176	229.8	78.0
135.0	94.7	226.7	74.5
180.0	531	229.3	84.6
225.0	759	220.0	86.7
270.0	925	208.0	87.2
315.0	759	208.4	85.5

\*\*Proposal is within coordination distance of Canadian border  
Distance to Canadian border: 195.8 km

Distance to Mexican border: 1928.4 km

Conditions at FCC monitoring station: Allegan MI  
Bearing: 339.5 degrees Distance: 178.5 km

Proposal is not within the West Virginia quiet zone area

Conditions at Table Mountain receiving zone:  
Bearing: 273.0 degrees Distance: 1689.6 km

# INTERFERENCE CAUSED ANALYSIS FOR WFWA(TV) CHANNEL 18 C.P. FACILITY UNDER CURRENT ALLOCATION ENVIRONMENT

No land mobile station failures found

Study cell size: 2.00 km  
Profile point spacing: 1.00 km

Maximum new IX to full-service and Class A: 0.50%  
Maximum new IX to LPTV: 2.00%

Interference to BLCDT20091103ACK LIC scenario 1  
\*\*IX: 96.92% interference caused

WISE-TV to transition to Channel 34 on or before September 1, 2018. WFWA to transition to Channel 18 immediately thereafter.

Desired:	Call	Chan	Svc	Status	City, State	File Number	Distance
	WISE-TV	D18	DT	LIC	FORT WAYNE, IN	BLCDT20091103ACK	
Undesireds:	WFWA18E1	D18	DT	CP	FORT WAYNE, IN	wfwa18e1	0.6 km
	WKEF	D18	DT	LIC	DAYTON, OH	BLANK0000004293	172.2
Service area		Terrain-limited		IX-free, before		IX-free, after	Percent New IX
20465.5 1,089,665		20465.5 1,089,665		20152.5 1,074,128		490.5 33,057	97.57 96.92
Undesired		Total IX		Unique IX, before		Unique IX, after	
WFWA18E1 D18 DT CP		19967.0 1,055,927		19662.0 1,041,071			
WKEF D18 DT LIC		313.0 15,537		313.0 15,537		8.0 681	

Interference to BLANK0000004293 LIC scenario 1

Desired:	Call	Chan	Svc	Status	City, State	File Number	Distance
	WKEF	D18	DT	LIC	DAYTON, OH	BLANK0000004293	
Undesireds:	WFWA18E1	D18	DT	CP	FORT WAYNE, IN	wfwa18e1	172.6 km
	WDEM-CD	D17	DC	LIC	COLUMBUS, OH	BLDTA20090223ACT	108.3
	WISE-TV	D18	DT	LIC	FORT WAYNE, IN	BLCDT20091103ACK	172.2
	WCLL-CD	D19	DC	LIC	COLUMBUS, OH	BLDTA20110616AAM	108.3
Service area		Terrain-limited		IX-free, before		IX-free, after	Percent New IX
29638.7 3,623,762		29470.8 3,619,081		25971.2 3,462,665		25651.0 3,447,403	1.23 0.44
Undesired		Total IX		Unique IX, before		Unique IX, after	
WFWA18E1 D18 DT CP		2682.9 115,506		320.2 15,262			
WDEM-CD D17 DC LIC		4.0 880		0.0 0			
WISE-TV D18 DT LIC		2963.1 120,263		2951.0 119,123		592.4 19,101	
WCLL-CD D19 DC LIC		548.6 37,293		536.5 36,153		536.5 36,153	



# INTERFERENCE RECEIVED ANALYSIS FOR WFWA(TV) CHANNEL 18 C.P. FACILITY UNDER CURRENT ALLOCATION ENVIRONMENT

tvstudy v2.2.4 (Z2Qqz3)

Database: localhost  
Station Data: LMS TV 2017-12-11 (105)  
Study: LMS171211  
Model: Longley-Rice  
Scenario: wfwal8elr

Desired station	Service area		Terrain-limited		Interference-free	
Undesired station	Total interference		Unique interference			
WFWA18E1 D18 DT CP FORT WAYNE, IN	21103.5	1,141,942	21087.5	1,141,550	20732.5	1,125,963
WYIN D17 DT LIC GARY, IN	0.0	0	0.0	0	0	
WDNI-CD D19 DC LIC INDIANAPOLIS, IN	0.0	0	0.0	0	0	
WJTS-CD D18 DC LIC JASPER, IN	0.0	0	0.0	0	0	
WDWO-CD D18 DC LIC DETROIT, MI	0.0	0	0.0	0	0	
WXMI D19 DT LIC GRAND RAPIDS, MI	0.0	0	0.0	0	0	
WKEF D18 DT LIC DAYTON, OH	351.0	15,000	340.0	14,603	(1.28%)*	
WVTV D18 DT LIC MILWAUKEE, WI	15.0	984	4.0	587	(0.05%)	

## \* Considering Existing WLOX Predicted Service Cells

Desired station	Service area		Terrain-limited		Interference-free	
Undesired station	Total interference		Unique interference			
WFWA D40 DT LIC FORT WAYNE, IN	17168.2	930,286	17163.2	930,074	17022.9	923,921
W40CN-D D40 DC LIC SUGAR GROVE, IL	0.0	0	0.0	0	0	
WTVQ-DT D40 DT LIC LEXINGTON, KY	0.0	0	0.0	0	0	
WKAR-TV D40 DT LIC EAST LANSING, MI	140.3	6,153	138.3	6,042		
WLPC-CD D40 DC LIC Redford, MI	0.0	0	0.0	0	0	
WHIO-TV D41 DT LIC DAYTON, OH	0.0	0	0.0	0	0	
WHIZ-TV D40 DT LIC ZANESVILLE, OH	0.0	0	0.0	0	0	
WPXE-TV D40 DT LIC KENOSHA, WI	2.0	111	0.0	0	0	

Desired station	Service area		Terrain-limited		Interference-free	
Undesired station	Total interference		Unique interference			
WFWA D40 DT LIC FORT WAYNE, IN					16937.1	922,458
INTERFERENCE/SERVICE LOSS FOR WFWA CHANNEL 18			85.0	1,463	(0.16%)	

