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**MINOR MODIFICATION  
OF A DIGITAL  
TRANSLATOR  
FACILITY HAVING FCC  
CALL SIGN K36OB-D  
FACILITY ID 168108**

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## **1.0 MINOR MODIFICATION OF A DIGITAL TELEVISION TRANSLATOR**

Channel 5 Public Broadcasting, Inc. is the licensee of a digital Low Power Television Translator Station having call sign K36OB-D, Facility ID 168108. K36OB-D is permitted<sup>1</sup> to operate on channel 36 with an ERP of 15 kW through a directional antenna using a full-service emission mask. It is herein proposed to correct the ground elevation and coordinates, change the antenna make and model and reduce its height and ERP.

Pursuant to 47 CFR Section 74.787(b) the instant application is considered a “minor” change because:

- There is no change in channel frequency.
- There is no change in transmitting antenna location such that the protected contour resulting from the change does not overlap some portion of the protected contour of the authorized facilities of the existing station as illustrated in Appendix D.
- There is no change in transmitting antenna location greater than 30 miles (48km) from the reference coordinates of the existing station’s antenna location.

## **2.0 STATION TRANSMITTER LOCATION AND ELEVATION**

It is proposed to keep K36OB-D at its licensed and permitted location on an existing tower as illustrated in Appendix A. The existing structure does not have an FAA determination of no hazard to air navigation or an FCC Antenna Structure Registration (“ASR”) number. Appendix B are the results of an FCC TOWAIR determination which indicates that the existing structure is not required to file for an FAA determination of no hazard to air navigation and is thus also exempt from FCC ASR filing. The instant application does not propose to increase or modify the existing support structure.

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<sup>1</sup> FCC File Number: 0000052179

### **3.0 ALLOCATION ANALYSIS**

Appendix C are the summarized results from TVStudy V2.2.5. As indicated the proposed K36OB-D facility is predicted to receive 17.73% aggregate inbound interference from FCC File No. BNPDTL-20090825AOX and BNPDTL-20090825BER both which are granted construction permits from 2009 and have not been built and licensed. These two facilities will not be a source of actual interference; however, if they are built and licensed, K36OB-D shall accept their interference.

### **4.0 AM STATION PROXIMITY**

No AM Stations are located within 3.2 km of the proposed facility. Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. Section 1.30002(e), the construction or extension of an antenna supporting structure shall be considered subject to the moment method analysis and prior notification requirement; however, the instant application does not propose to extend the existing structure or build a new structure. Thus, the proposed facility is exempt from further AM analysis consideration.

### **5.0 INTERNATIONAL COORDINATION**

The K36OB-D transmitter site is beyond the coordination distance to Canada and Mexico.

### **6.0 RADIO FREQUENCY RADIATION COMPLIANCE**

A theoretical analysis has been conducted of the human exposure to radio frequency radiation ("RFR") using the calculation methodology described in OET Bulletin 65, Edition 97-01. The RFR analysis is conducted pursuant to the following methodology:

Terrain<sup>2</sup> extraction is compiled from the proposed tower site to radial lengths of 0.25 miles in 0.001 mile increments for 360 radials. The power density is calculated for each terrain point at 6 feet above ground level using the elevation and azimuth pattern of the proposed broadcast antenna. The power density calculations are conducted using the lower edge of the proposed channel frequency. To account for ground reflections, a coefficient of 1.6 was included in the calculation.

The resulting cylindrical polar analysis is then summarized into a coordinate plane graph using the following methodology:

Starting from the origin the maximum calculated RFR value is determined among the 360 degree radials for each 0.001 mile increment, the value is then converted into a percentage of the maximum allowable general population or uncontrolled exposure and plotted as a function of perpendicular distance from the tower.

The resulting RFR study in Appendix E demonstrates that the peak exposure is 0.8% of the most restrictive permissible exposure threshold. Pursuant to OET Bulletin 65 concerning multiple-user transmitter sites only those licensees whose transmitters produce power density levels greater than 5.0% of the exposure limit are considered significant contributors to RFR. Since the proposed operation is within 5% of the most permissible exposure at any location 2 meters above the ground, it is not considered a significant contributor to RFR exposure. Thus, contributions to exposure from other RF sources in the vicinity of the proposed facility were not taken into account. The instant application is compliant with the FCC limits for human exposure to RF radiation and is excluded from further environmental processing since no changes are proposed to the tower structure in order to accommodate the proposed antenna.

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<sup>2</sup> Terrain extraction is based upon a 3 arc second point spacing terrain database.

A chain link fence encloses the support structure and the applicant will cooperate with any other users of the tower by reducing the power to the antenna or if necessary completely cutting it off to protect maintenance workers on the tower.

## **7.0 CERTIFICATION**

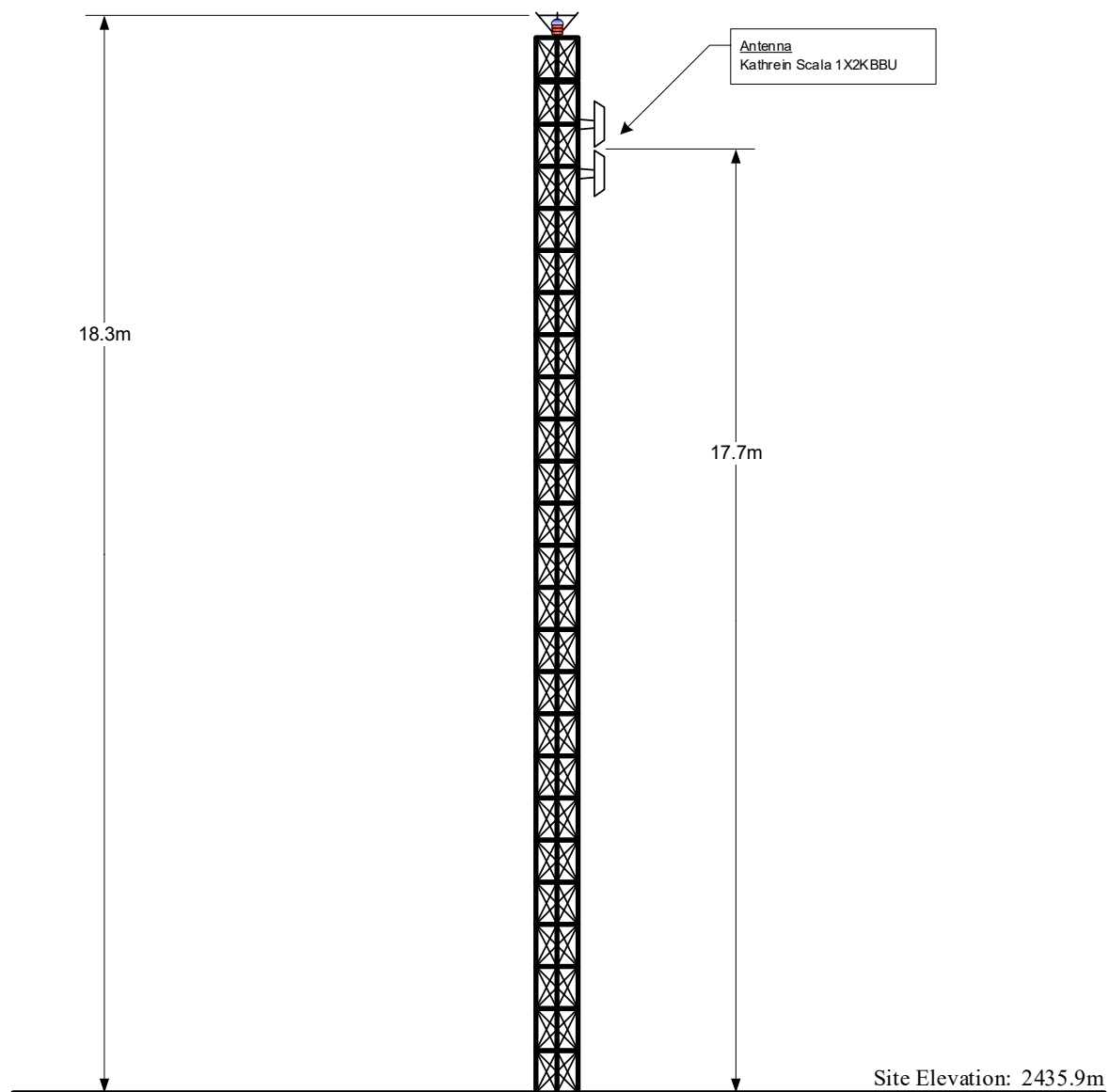
The foregoing statement and the report regarding the engineering work are true and correct to the best of my knowledge. Executed October 4, 2018.

Kessler and Gehman Associates, Inc.



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**APPENDIX A – Tower Elevation Diagram**



Antenna CRAGL:	17.7 m
Antenna CRAMSL:	2453.6 m

NAD 83 Coordinates:	
N. Latitude:	39° 34' 37.9"
W. Longitude:	119° 56' 22.8"

NOTE: NOT TO SCALE

FCC Tower Registration Number:	N/A
FAA Study Number	N/A

**APPENDIX B – FCC TOWAIR Study**

Antenna Structure Registration (ASR) filing determination was calculated from the FCC's structure registration tool:

<http://wireless2.fcc.gov/UlsApp/AsrSearch/towairSearch.jsp>

Results are as follows:

<b>DETERMINATION Results</b>	
<b>Structure does not require registration. There are no airports within 8 kilometers (5 miles) of the coordinates you provided.</b>	
<b>Your Specifications</b>	
<b>NAD83 Coordinates</b>	
Latitude	39-34-37.9 north
Longitude	119-56-22.8 west
<b>Measurements (Meters)</b>	
Overall Structure Height (AGL)	18.3
Support Structure Height (AGL)	18.3
Site Elevation (AMSL)	2435.9
<b>Structure Type</b>	
LTOWER - Lattice Tower	



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### APPENDIX C – TVStudy V2.2.5 Allocation Analysis

Study created: 2018.10.04 14:27:12

Study build station data: LMS TV 2018-10-03

Proposal: K36OB D36 LD LIC Verdi, NV  
File number: Proposed  
Facility ID: 168108  
Station data: User record  
Record ID: 3457  
Country: U.S.

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

Search options:  
Non-U.S. records included  
Baseline record excluded if station has CP

Stations potentially affected by proposal:

IX	Call	Chan	Svc	Status	City, State	File Number	Distance
No	KCRA-TV	D35	DT	LIC	SACRAMENTO, CA	BMLCDT20110630AGB	198.2 km
No	K35JX-D	D35	LD	LIC	WESTWOOD, CA	BLD TT20100722HYE	118.7
No	K35AX-D	D35	LD	LIC	HAWTHORNE, NV	BLD TT20100706HQD	160.6
No	NEW	D35	LD	APP	RENO, NV	BNPDTL20090825A0X	12.1
No	K35FL-D	D35	LD	LIC	SILVER SPRINGS, NV	BLD TT20100729AAP	55.5
No	NEW	D35	LD	APP	SUN VALLEY, NV	BNPDTL20090825BER	12.0
No	K36BT	N36-	TX	LIC	BLUE LAKE, CA	BLTTL19940223IE	372.8
No	KHSL-TV	D36	DT	CP	CHICO, CA	BLANK0000027583	157.4
No	KHSL-TV	D36	LD	LIC	CHICO, CA	BLCDT20091221AGI	250.2
No	K36LY-D	D36	LD	LIC	DURHAM, CA	BLANK0000019191	131.7
No	KXTV	D36	LD	CP	SACRAMENTO, CA	BDRTCDT20140317ACA	176.0
No	KICU-TV	D36	DT	APP	SAN JOSE, CA	BLANK0000035729	286.4
No	KICU-TV	D36	DT	LIC	SAN JOSE, CA	BLCDT20090709ALH	286.4
No	KFRE-TV	D36	DT	LIC	SANGER, CA	BLCDT20060421AAI	281.4
No	K36HH-D	D36	LD	LIC	SUSANVILLE, ETC., CA	BLD TT20101207AFN	103.0
No	K49IG-D	D36	LD	CP	YREKA, CA	BLANK0000035593	335.3
No	K40CA	D36	LD	CP	BEOAWAWE, NV	BLANK0000054562	299.5
No	K36DC	N36	TX	LIC	BEOAWAWE, ETC., NV	BLTTL19940420IH	336.6
No	K36KN-D	D36	LD	LIC	EUREKA, NV	BLD TT20120423AAZ	338.2
No	K36NA-D	D36	LD	CP	FERNLEY, NV	BNPDTL20100512AGY	58.8
Yes	K36NB-D	D36	LD	CP	INCLINE VILLAGE, NV	BNPDTL20100611AHQ	30.1
No	K36GL-D	D36	LD	LIC	LOVELOCK, NV	BLD TT20110721AAT	119.6
Yes	K36FF-D	D36	LD	LIC	SHURZ, NV	BLD TT20110609AAR	112.9
No	K49BK-D	D36	LD	CP	WINNEMUCCA, NV	BLANK0000054078	243.5
No	K49BK-D	D36	LD	APP	WINNEMUCCA, NV	BLANK0000059884	243.5
No	K36IB-D	D36	LD	LIC	MIDLAND, ETC., OR	BLD TT20090921ACY	326.4
No	K38FW	N38+	TX	LIC	STATELINE, NV	BLTTL20030205AAP	68.6

No non-directional AM stations found within 0.8 km

No directional AM stations found within 3.2 km

Record parameters as studied:

Channel: D36  
Mask: Full Service  
Latitude: 39 34 37.90 N (NAD83)  
Longitude: 119 56 22.80 W  
Height AMSL: 2453.6 m  
HAAT: 698.6 m  
Peak ERP: 0.137 kW  
Antenna: SCA-1X2KBBU (ID 20718) 190.0 deg  
Elev Pattern: Generic  
Mech Tilt: 3.30 @ 190.0 deg

50.9 dBu contour:

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Azimuth	ERP	HAAT	Distance
0.0 deg	0.000 kW	737.1 m	8.0 km
45.0	0.001	884.7	15.2
90.0	0.014	830.9	28.0
135.0	0.128	963.1	43.3
180.0	0.098	508.7	34.1
225.0	0.107	569.8	36.0
270.0	0.045	400.2	26.8
315.0	0.002	694.6	15.1

Distance to Canadian border: 1003.1 km

Distance to Mexican border: 807.8 km

Conditions at FCC monitoring station: Livermore CA  
Bearing: 218.0 degrees Distance: 259.2 km

Proposal is not within the West Virginia quiet zone area

Conditions at Table Mountain receiving zone:  
Bearing: 82.4 degrees Distance: 1253.1 km

Study cell size: 1.00 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%

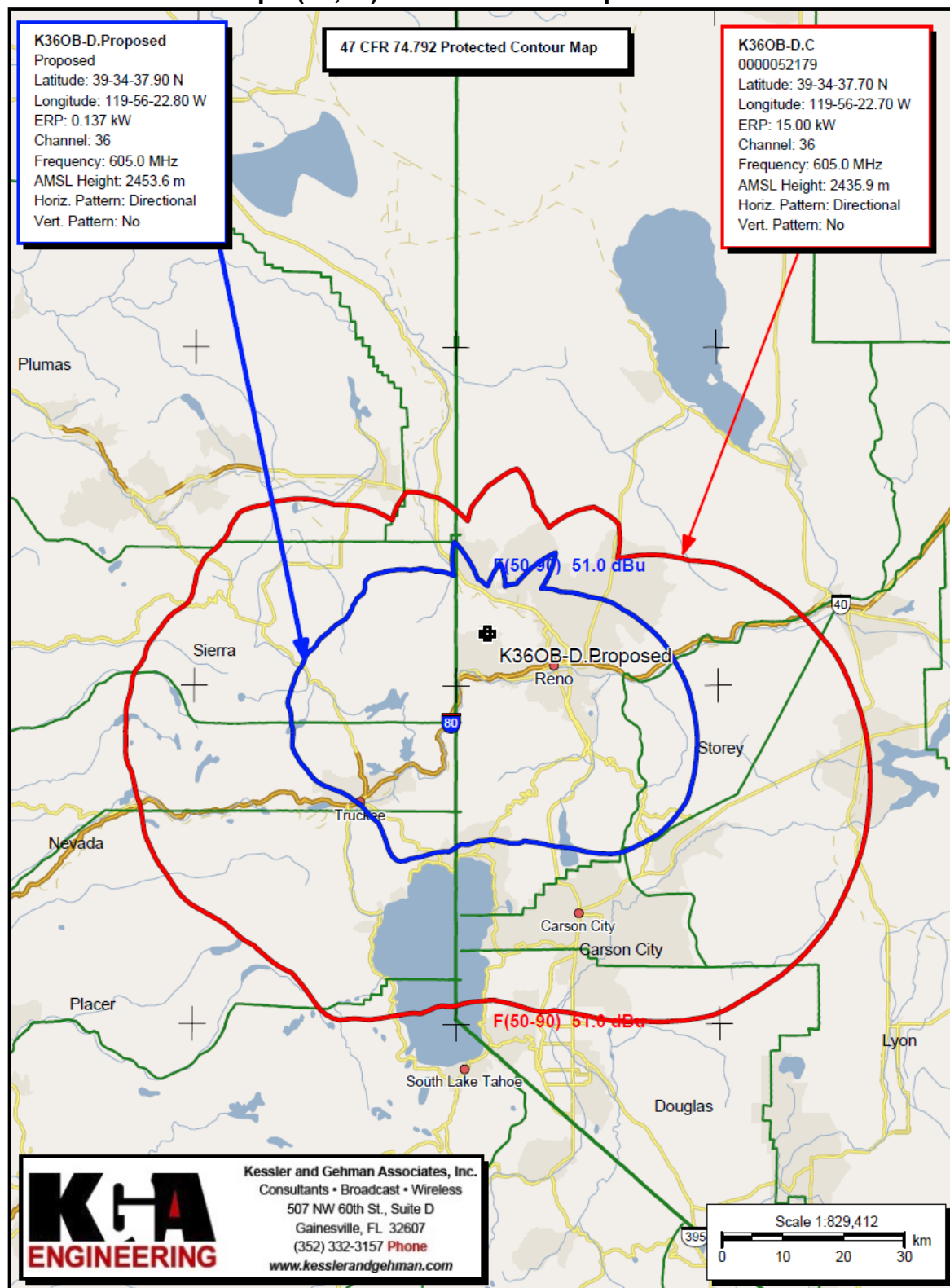
---- Below is IX received by proposal Proposed ----

\*\*MX with scenario 1, 17.73% interference received

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## APPENDIX D – 51dBμ F(50,90) Licensed and Proposed Contour



## APPENDIX E – Far Field Exposure to RF Emissions

