

**EXPLANATION REGARDING REQUEST FOR
EXTENSION OF CONSTRUCTION PERMIT**

Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. Section 73.3700(b)(5), West Central Ohio Broadcasting, Inc. (“West Central”), licensee of WOHL-CD, Lima, Ohio, respectfully requests an extension of its phase 2 construction permit deadline of April 12, 2019 until September 6, 2019, which is the phase completion date for phase 5. *See* FCC File No. 0000029918.

West Central is diligently pursuing the construction of the WOHL-CD post-auction channel. As part of that construction, it is building a new broadcast tower on a property that was previously used for farming. Because of the various environmental, zoning and other regulatory approvals needed before construction of the new tower could begin, the station could not place an order for the construction of the new tower until the last approvals were received in mid-October 2018.

Construction of the new tower is currently scheduled to begin in mid-January 2019. If winter weather conditions remain mild and construction of the tower is completed as planned, the station plans to move to its new channel at the end of phase 2, on April 12, 2019.

If, however, construction is delayed due to weather, West Central may need more time. Accordingly, in an abundance of caution, West Central requests this extension in order to ensure its ability to complete construction of its new facilities and begin operation on its post-repack channel without loss of service to the public. If construction is delayed beyond the April 12, 2019 phase 2 deadline, West Central will timely file a waiver request to move to a different repacking phase (presumably phase 3) and request Special Temporary Authority to stay on its current channel for a few more months. West Central understands that it can remain on its current channel without causing interference to other full-power or Class A broadcasters as long as it vacates its current channel by the end of phase 5. Accordingly, should construction be delayed, West Central will nevertheless continue its efforts to complete construction promptly and before September 6, 2019.