

Request for Extension of Special Temporary Authority

DTV America Corp. (“DTV America”), licensee of WEQA-LD (Facility ID 182017) respectfully requests extension of its Special Temporary Authority (“STA”) granted on August 17, 2018 (*See* File No. 0000058991) to remain silent for a period of up to six months while it constructs a permanent broadcast facility for this Low Power Television (“LPTV”) station. The request is supported by good cause and granting it would further the public interest.

The Applicant hereby submits that its intent is to not extend, delay, or otherwise impact the station’s planned return to air date. All efforts are underway to meet required FCC deadlines, and the station plans to be on the air prior to the station’s 312(g) deadline of August 14, 2019. Currently, the station plans to complete construction by June 21, 2019.

To date, the Station has concluded, to the best of the licensee’s knowledge, that it has the requisite site assurances to finalize construction of the Station’s facilities. Further, the Station has been in contact with transmitter and antenna manufacturers and is currently collecting quotes from vendors to complete construction. The Station has not yet identified a specific tower or rigging crew but is using best efforts at this time to finalize an agreement to hire the necessary rigging crews.

The grant of the proposed STA extension will serve the public interest by providing the Station with needed additional time for the station to go on-air to provide service to the public. For these reasons, the licensee respectfully requests that the Media Bureau expeditiously grant DTV America’s request for an STA to remain silent while it constructs a permanent broadcast facility, consistent with the FCC’s rules and policies. The Station will act accordingly to make progress and will update the Commission as soon as the Station plans to be on-air, consistent with the Commission’s Rules.