

ENGINEERING STATEMENT
IN SUPPORT OF A REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF
ASSIGNED TRANSITION PHASE, TESTING PERIOD,
AND PHASE COMPLETION DATE
FOR WOHL-CD CHANNEL 15
POST-TRANSITION FACILITY
PHASE 2 TO PHASE 5
LIMA, OHIO
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West Central Ohio Broadcasting, Inc. (“WCOB”) is the licensee of WOHL-CD, located in Lima, Ohio (Lima DMA), which is presently authorized to operate its digital facility on Channel 35. WOHL-CD has been assigned Ch. 15 for its post-incentive auction facility and has been assigned Phase 2 for the construction phase completion date (4/12/2019).

WOHL-CD is requesting a waiver and modification of its assigned transition phase to change its phase completion date from Phase 2 to Phase 5 (9/6/2019) for the reasons described in the waiver request which this statement supports.

The WOHL-CD facility is not linked with any other authorized station and its later transition will not negatively impact any other authorized station’s transition. The proposed change from Phase 2 to Phase 5 will not create any new linked authorized station sets or result in impermissible interference with any other authorized stations as demonstrated by TVStudy 2.2 study.¹

Under the Transition Plan, there are only two authorized stations that will be transitioning in the Lima DMA. The proposed change from Phase 2 to Phase 5 would result in a second scan within the Lima, OH DMA which is acceptable since the FCC determined that up to two non-sequential rescans will serve the goals of efficiently clearing DMAs while minimizing viewer disruption. Therefore, WCOB’s request to modify its phase assignment to permit WOHL-CD transition to its post-auction channel on or before September 6, 2019, satisfies the requirements for a waiver and will not have an adverse impact on the transition schedule or a negative impact on other authorized stations or viewers.

¹Phase 6, WPTD, Dayton, Ohio, Channel 35 and WRGT-TV, Dayton, Ohio, Channel 36.

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Accordingly, WCOB's *Request for Waiver of Phase Assignment* should be granted by the FCC to modify the transition phase assignment for WOHL-CD from Phase 2 to Phase 5 and permit the station to commence testing and transition to its post-auction channel on or before September 6, 2019, subject to completion of applicable consumer education requirements and any required notice to MVPDs.

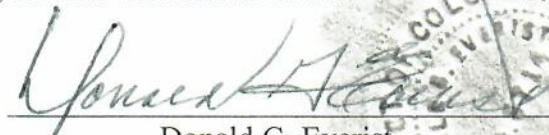
District of Columbia)
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City of Washington)

Donald G. Everist, being duly sworn upon his oath, deposes and states that:

He is a graduate electrical engineer, a Registered Professional Engineer in the District of Columbia, and is President, Secretary and Treasurer of Cohen, Dippell and Everist, P.C. Consulting Engineers, Radio - Television, with offices at 1420 N Street, NW Suite One, Washington, D.C. 20005;

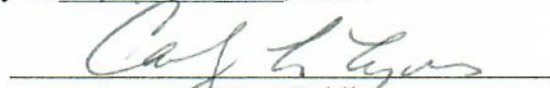
That his qualifications are a matter of record in the Federal Communications Commission

That the facts stated herein are true of his own knowledge, except such facts as are stated to be on information and belief, and as to such facts, he believes them to be true.


Donald G. Everist
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Professional Engineer
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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 6th day of March, 2019.




Notary Public
My Commission Expires: 2/28/2023