

Request for Construction Permit Extension
KNIC-CD
Facility ID 48837

Unimas Partnership of San Antonio (“Unimas”), licensee of KNIC-CD, San Antonio, Texas, Facility ID 48837 (the “Station”) holds a construction permit, authorizing construction of its post-auction channel facilities, set to expire on June 21, 2019. The Station hereby requests a six month extension of the construction permit deadline.

The Station’s antenna supplier was not able to deliver the required custom mounting pole for the Station’s antenna, as a result the tower owner’s engineering firm was retained to design the Station’s mounting pole. The Station will need an additional eight weeks to have the pole fabricated. The Station cannot secure a tower rigging crew until it has a firm estimate to obtain the required mounting pole.

It is expected to take an additional three (3) months to have the antenna mount fabricated and to identify an available tower crew to install the antenna. It is estimated that construction of the new site will require at least an additional three months to complete.

Complicating this project is that the tower owner has not completed the necessary design and fabrication drawings for the antenna mounting pole, despite months of outreach and multiple requests. We are hopeful that, with coordination with Commission staff, the mounting pole design can be completed.

At this time, the Station plans to file a Silent STA on June 21, 2019 (absent Commission extension of the Phase 3 deadline) and resume operations after the antenna has been installed.

Accordingly, the Station respectfully requests that the Commission grant a six month extension of the Station’s construction permit deadline, until December 18, 2019.