

Request for Special Temporary Authority

DTV America Corporation respectfully requests Special Temporary Authority (“STA”) to remain silent for a period of up to six months while it repairs the permanent broadcast facility for this Low Power Television (“LPTV”) station. The FCC has a history of granting such requests, particularly where, as here, the request is supported by good cause and granting it would further the public interest.¹

American Tower Corporation, the owner of the tower, is diligently working on repairing the recently damaged HVAC system. Due to the significant heat in the shelter, the broadcast equipment is unable to operate without damage. Granting this request would not implicate Section 312(g) of the Act, which generally limits silent station authorizations to 12 months.² In contrast, the STA requested here would be for a period of up to six months.

For these reasons, the Media Bureau should expeditiously grant DTV America Corporation’s request for an STA to remain silent on the station for a period of up to six months while it repairs the HVAC system.

¹ See, e.g., Application 0000034182, KZSD-LP, Facility ID 57054 (granting an LPTV station an STA extension on October 26, 2017, to allow the station to address “the fact that the Station’s existing STA frequency will no longer be available in the reduced post-auction broadcast spectrum”); Application 0000030510, KDUG-LD, Facility ID 128855 (granting an LPTV station an STA extension on October 2, 2017, to accommodate its filing of a minor change application); Application 0000033847, KLFA-LD, Facility ID 13999 (granting an LPTV station an STA extension on October 17, 2017, to accommodate the station’s concern “over whether it will be able to have a broadcast channel to operate on following repacking”).

² See 47 U.S.C. § 312(g).