

**Engineering STA Extension Request
WNJX-TV (Fac. ID No. 73336)
Mayaguez, Puerto Rico**

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Televiscentro of Puerto Rico, LLC, licensee of station WNJX-TV, Mayaguez, Puerto Rico (Facility ID No. 73336) (the “Station”), hereby requests an Extension of Special Temporary Authority (“STA”) (File No. 0000055321) from the Commission for up to 180-days so that WNJX-TV may continue operations on its post-auction channel at 116 kW via an interim antenna from its auxiliary antenna site. The Station previously filed and was granted a 180-day STA Extension on December 17, 2018 (File No. 0000064217).

Because of the damage from Hurricane Maria, extensive modifications to the WNJX-TV tower are needed. The Station is still attempting to schedule a tower crew to carry out tower reinforcements and the high-power antenna swap. Construction at the Station site is complex. Specifically, the Station needs to remove an existing antenna stack before the tower can be reinforced; needs to coordinate with two other stations on the same tower; and the limited space at the construction site requires careful coordination of cranes and other equipment. Although the Station has been working with a tower crew consultant to secure a certified tower crew, because of the scarcity of qualified tower crews it does not expect to have a crew available for some time. Operation via interim antenna is therefore necessary for the Station to remain on the air while the necessary modifications are completed at WNJX-TV’s permanent post-auction site. An extension of the existing STA is in the public interest because it will allow WNJX-TV to remain on the air to broadcast its programming to the public while construction of its permanent facilities is completed.