

KKTV (FID 35037)
Request to Extend Construction Permit

Gray Television Licensee, LLC, the licensee of KKTV, Colorado Springs, CO (FID 35037), requests an extension of the repack construction permit (File No. 0000067487) for KKTV. KKTV is now operating on its post-auction channel using its interim facility. However, due to circumstances outside of its control, it will not be able to complete construction of its final authorized facilities by the Phase 3 deadline of June 21, 2019.¹ Gray requests an extension of up to one hundred and twenty days (120) to complete construction of the KKTV post-auction facility.

Section 73.3700(b)(5) provides that the Media Bureau may grant an extension of time up to six months for stations that are unable to complete construction of their post-auction facilities “due to circumstances that are either unforeseeable or beyond licensee’s control.”² Circumstances meeting this standard could include “delays in construction due to the unavailability of equipment or a tower crew.”³

KKTV was recently informed that manufacture of its primary antenna has been delayed. Shipping is now estimated for July 28, 2019. Once it arrives, the station is anticipating a period of between 2-4 weeks for installation. Therefore, Gray respectfully requests an extension of the deadline of up to 120 days to allow it to complete construction of its post-auction facility.

¹ Gray requests that the Media Bureau accept this request for extension of its construction permit as late filed. 73.3700(b)(5)(iv) requires the filing of an extension request at least ninety (90) days prior to a station’s construction permit deadline. As explained above, the station did not have confirmation until recently that its antenna would not be manufactured and shipped in time to meet the deadline.

² 73.3700(b)(5)(i).

³ 73.3700(b)(5)(ii)(B).