

Request for Special Temporary Authority

Meredith Corporation, licensee of WNEM-TV (“WNEM”), Bay City, MI, hereby requests an STA pursuant to the technical parameters described herein. WNEM has been operating pursuant to STA on an interim antenna on its pre-auction channel (FCC File Number 0000069078). WNEM moved to the interim antenna to facilitate the repack of the WNEM-TV facility from its pre-auction licensed channel (22) to channel 30, for which it holds a construction permit (FCC File Number 0000024833).

WNEM was in repack Phase 3 and was required to relocate to its post-auction channel no later than June 21, 2019. WNEM moved to channel 30 on June 21, 2019 as scheduled by retuning its interim antenna. Other than changing the channel, no other technical parameters have changed. However, due to an administrative oversight, WNEM did not file to update its STA to reflect that it is now operating from its’ interim antenna on its post-auction channel, channel 30. WNEM will continue to operate on its post-auction channel using interim facilities while it completes construction of its permanent post-auction facilities. Prompt grant of this STA will allow the station to keep broadcasting and serving its local community on its post-auction channel through the use of an interim antenna while it completes its construction. *See, e.g., Public Notice, Incentive Auction Task Force and Media Bureau Remind Repacked Stations of Certain Post-Auction Transition Requirements and Deadlines*, DA 18-884 (rel. Aug. 27, 2018) at ¶¶ 7 and 8 (section on “Requests for Additional Flexibility Using Special Temporary Authority).