

## **WJAC-TV – Request for Construction Permit Extension**

WJAC Licensee, LLC, licensee of station WJAC-TV, Johnstown, Pennsylvania (“WJAC”), hereby requests an extension of its construction permit (File No.: 0000027312) (“CP”), due to circumstances beyond its control, so as to allow WJAC to operate on interim facilities while its permanent facilities are completed, and a waiver of the rules to the extent necessary. *See* 47 C.F.R. Section 73.3700(b)(5)(iv).<sup>1</sup> WJAC hereby respectfully requests an extension of its CP for a period of 180 days from August 2, 2019, *i.e.*, until January 29, 2020.

WJAC is assigned to transition from Channel 34 to Channel 35 in Phase 4 of the repack. WJAC’s transition plan calls for, among other things, an STA using a full power transmitter and an interim side mounted interim antenna.

WJAC Licensee agreed that it was better to prioritize tower crew resources to other markets and as such elected to operate on interim facilities while the tower crews complete work on other facilities. Therefore, WJAC will not be able to complete construction of its permanent post-repack facilities by the end of Phase 4 on August 2, 2019. Thus, WJAC respectfully requests an extension of its CP since it will not be able to operate on its permanent facilities and therefore will not be able to cover its CP while construction is completed on its permanent facilities. WJAC is concurrently filing an STA request as well seeking permission to transition to its post-repack channel while operating on interim facilities. This request will not impact the repack efforts of other stations because, prior to the completion of Phase 4, WJAC will still transition to its post-repack channel. Furthermore, grant of the instant CP extension request would be in the public interest because it would allow WJAC to broadcast on its post-repack channel without disruption to viewers or the overall repack.

WJAC has ceased operations on its pre-auction facilities and has begun broadcasting on its post-auction channel utilizing the above-referenced temporary facilities prior to the end of Phase 4.

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<sup>1</sup> This request has been filed fewer than 90 days before WJAC’s current construction deadline. WJAC thus respectfully requests a waiver of 47 C.F.R. § 73.3700(b)(5)(iv).