

Request to Extend Construction Permit
WAVE(TV), Louisville, Kentucky (FID 13989)

Gray Television Licensee, LLC, the licensee of WAVE, Louisville, Kentucky (FID 13989), requests an extension of time to complete the facilities specified in the station's modified repack construction permit (File No. 0000034345). WAVE will transition to its post-auction channel using an auxiliary facility (File No. 82200) by the Phase 6 deadline of October 18, 2019.

Due to circumstances outside of its control, WAVE will not be able to complete construction of its final authorized facilities by the Phase 6 deadline of October 18, 2019.¹ Gray requests an extension of up to one hundred and eighty days (180) to complete construction of the WAVE 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

WAVE is unable to complete construction of its post-auction facility because of a problem with the installation of the shared antenna for its final facility. The antenna was installed, but is not oriented correctly. In order to orient the antenna to the correct degree, the antenna must be removed and a support plate installed before it is reinstalled. Thus, WAVE's transition will be delayed while this support plate is manufactured and until the tower crew can return to perform the needed work.

Gray respectfully requests an extension of the deadline of up to 180 days to allow it to complete construction of the final WAVE 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 reorientation of the antenna would require manufacturer and installation of a new support piece.

² 73.3700(b)(5)(i).