

Tribune Broadcasting Indianapolis, LLC
WTTK(TV), Kokomo, IN (Facility ID 56526)
FCC Form 337

Tribune Broadcasting Indianapolis, LLC, licensee of WTTK(TV), Kokomo, IN (“WTTK”), hereby requests an extension of 180 days in which to complete construction of the repacked facilities for WTTK as authorized in File No. 0000024884 (modified by File No. 0000034055).¹ As part of the Phase 6 group of the FCC’s transition plan, WTTK planned to have construction complete, testing conducted and the switch of on-air operations from Channel 29 to 15 complete by the October 18, 2019 deadline.

Due to circumstances beyond its control, construction of the authorized facilities is not yet complete, and therefore an extension of time is respectfully requested.

WTTK makes use of a shared antenna and combiner for both it and the operations of commonly owned station WXIN(TV), Indianapolis, Indiana (Facility ID 146). An extension request is being filed contemporaneously herewith for WXIN.

WTTK plans on using an interim antenna while the tower crew swaps out the main antenna, which will allow for service to continue uninterrupted to the WTTK viewers. The interim antenna is now on-site. The tower crew, however, which was expected to be on site as of September 16, is now going to be delayed at least two weeks due to unforeseen delays in its previous tower repack project.

Even with these obstacles, WTTK expects to have construction complete within the next 2-3 weeks. WTTK will update the MVPDs as to this slight delay and continue to educate its viewers with on-air notices as to the channel change, mitigating any viewer disruption.

For the reasons shown herein, WTTK respectfully requests an extension of time in which to complete construction of its authorized repack facilities.

¹ See 47 CFR §73.3700(b)(5); see also Incentive Auction Task Force and Media Bureau Announce Procedures for the Post-Incentive Auction Broadcast Transition, 32 FCC Rcd 858, 872 (MB 2017) . While this extension request is being filed after the 90-day extension date, WTTK submits that good reason exists for granting this request as shown above.