

EXHIBIT
Emergency Request for Approval of a Temporary Channel Share

Miami Valley Broadcasting Corporation, licensee of station WHIO-TV, Dayton, Ohio (Facility ID 41458) (“WHIO-TV”) hereby requests authority for temporary use of a joint channel with host station WPTD(TV), Dayton, Ohio (Facility ID 25067) (“WPTD”), licensed to Greater Dayton Public Television, Inc. As explained below, WHIO-TV has been off-air for more than a week, since November 7, 2019, because of problems with its new repack equipment. This temporary channel share will allow WHIO-TV to resume service to its viewers. The Commission has said it will consider such joint requests, even requests for a commercial station to share a channel with a non-commercial station, if the temporary channel share is necessary for a station to remain on-air, as is the case here. *See Incentive Auction Task Force and Media Bureau Adopt a Post-Incentive Auction Transition Scheduling Plan*, MB Docket No. 16-306 and GN Docket No. 12-268, Public Notice, 32 FCC Rcd 890, 917, paras. 58-9 and n. 191 (2017). Accordingly, WHIO-TV requests emergency approval for this request.

WHIO-TV is currently off-air in Dayton because its new transmitter had equipment defects, which caused electrical arcs that burned up the station’s old transmission line. The transmission line is not functional and the station now needs to inspect/repair/replace 1000+ feet of transmission line. Further, because of tower crew shortages caused by the repack, WHIO-TV had not been able to have its new auxiliary equipment installed to broadcast on the station’s new post-auction channel. In addition, recent inclement weather in Dayton has delayed construction of the station’s auxiliary facilities. Accordingly, WHIO-TV currently has no functional main or auxiliary facilities. Rather than remain dark, WHIO-TV requests permission to use one of the multicast streams on WPTD(TV), channel 35.2 (PSIP 16.2), so that WHIO-TV can broadcast its primary programming stream to over-the-air viewers in Dayton and also reach some local MSOs and DBS providers. WHIO-TV’s use of WPTD(TV)’s channel 35.2 (16.2) will displace the WPTD(TV) “16 Again” service, which time shifts the WPTD(TV) primary stream programming.

The WHIO-TV stream will include the station’s local news programming as well as CBS network programming, including sports programming such as college football on Saturday and NFL football on Sunday. The station will broadcast 24 hours a day until the new auxiliary antenna is installed and operational, which may occur as early as Monday, November 18, 2019, at which time WHIO-TV would cease operations on WPTD(TV). We expect the main facilities to be repaired in four to six weeks (weather permitting) so advance permission is also requested to resume operations on the WPTD(TV) multicast channel if the WHIO-TV auxiliary system also malfunctions before the WHIO-TV main system is repaired. The expectation is, however, that the channel share would last for as little as 72 hours, but may perhaps last longer if the region experiences further weather delays. Authority for a temporary channel share is therefore requested until both the main and auxiliary facilities for WHIO-TV are installed and repaired and WHIO-TV is again able to broadcast from its own facilities.

Greater Dayton Public Television, Inc. has provided the attached written authorization as the licensee of the host station. Greater Dayton Public Television, Inc. will ensure that any commercial advertisement broadcast on a portion of its shared channel is limited to WHIO-TV’s portion of the shared channel.