

DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST FOR SPECIAL TEMPORARY AUTHORITY
Renard Communications Corp.
March, 2020

Renard Communications Corp. (“Renard”) is the licensee of WONO-CD, Syracuse, NY (Fac. ID: 14315) and is scheduled for transition from UHF ch. 34 to ch. 24 in Phase 8 which concludes March 13, 2020.

Due to the widespread Covid-19 (Coronavirus) outbreak in Italy, the transmitter manufacturer, Broadcast Electronics, a division of Elenos, has notified Renard that it has had a delay in the production of RF pallets and the completion of the separate RF amplifier trays used as the building blocks for the transmitters. The manufacturer has supplied sufficient equipment for the station to commence operation on time at 50% power and thus Special Temporary Authority is requested for WONO-CD to operate on its post-transition channel.

The remaining equipment is expected within the next several weeks barring any additional delays at which time, it will be installed such that operation at full power can commence. However, out of an abundance of caution, it is respectfully requested to operate WONO-CD at 50% power (7.5 kW ERP) on its post-transition channel for a period not to exceed six months until September 13, 2020.

Impedance measurements have been performed on the WOLF(AM), Syracuse, NY (Fac. ID 73380) tower with the results demonstrating compliance with Section 1.30003(a) such that there is no discernible change to the antenna resistance as this is a shunt-fed (unipole) non-directional tower with all appurtenances mounted well above the active skirt. The ch. 24 antenna is combined with WTVU-CD, Syracuse, NY (Fac. ID 617 – ch. 25) scheduled to commence operation by March 13, 2020.