

Extraordinary Circumstances

We are requesting a re-grant of Special Temporary Authority (**STA**) 0000084289 to operate channel 31 in Bowling Green, Kentucky for two very important reasons. News Publishing LLC, owns and operates WDNZ-LD Glasgow, Kentucky, out of the Daily News / WDNS-FM / WKCT-AM facility in Bowling Green, Kentucky. Their goal is to bring a new type of news to the local area similar to a video newspaper. This format allows for a faster approach to bring breaking stories to folks at home and may be replicated at other newspapers across the US.

The reasons for the STA are listed below.

REASON 1. We are still having technical issues in getting the feed from the studio to the transmitter site using the 5.8 GHz unlicensed IP link. When it rains, the signal tends to jitter and breakup. The fix for this is to use a lower frequency, licensed UHF band STL, and application has been made (File number 0008792416). The STL paperwork has been granted but we are having issues with installation due to the Coronavirus.

REASON 2. There are also some reception issues that were not foreseen using computer software, as to reception in the Downtown Bowling Green area. There is a large population here, including local cable system pickup, and this affects their ability to properly launch this new and exciting programming idea.

THEREFORE, we are requesting Special Temporary Authority to operate channel 31 from the Daily News / WDNS-FM / WKCT-AM facility. The channel 31 can be used to relay the signal out to the transmitter while waiting final installation of the Studio To Transmitter link. It also allows the signal to be received in the Bowling Green downtown area till the reception problem is resolved. A study has been done and this STA will not cause interference with other stations in the area and meets FCC interference criteria.

PUBLIC INTEREST will be furthered due to the elimination of loss of signal to the W11DJ-D transmitter and viewers in the downtown area will be able to get the signal better, promoting off-air viewing to the area.

Expected Duration should not be long once the Coronavirus "Stay At Home" lock down is lifted, and the STL equipment can be installed properly, hopefully, eliminating the need for the STA.