

Tribune Media Company
KRCW-TV, Salem, OR
(Facility ID 10192)

**Request for Special Temporary
Authority**

Tribune Media Company (“Licensee”), licensee of KRCW-TV, Salem, Oregon (Facility ID 10192; RF Channel 33), hereby requests Special Temporary Authority in connection with KRCW-TV’s transition to the ATSC 3.0 broadcast transmission standard and related proposal to broadcast KRCW-TV’s primary CW programming stream (“streams”) in ATSC 1.0 format as described herein.

As indicated in KRCW-TV’s Form 2100 application (*see* File No. 0000107801), Licensee proposes to (1) commence ATSC 3.0 operations from KRCW(TV)’s current facility and (2) simulcast its primary stream (affiliated with CW) in ATSC 1.0 format on KATU(TV), Portland Oregon (Fac. ID No. 21649; RF Channel 24), licensed to Sinclair Portland Licensee, LLC (“Sinclair”). In this FCC Form 2100 application, Licensee specified the KATU licensed operations as noted in File No. 0000033626. However, Sinclair is currently not operating KATU at those parameters and instead is operating on its post repack Channel 24 at reduced power from interim facilities (File No. 000008616 as extended by 0000115918). This STA is set to expire as of October 15, 2020, while Sinclair continues to complete construction of its authorized post-transition facilities.

As a result of KATU(TV)’s operations, Licensee hereby request special temporary authority to commence 1.0 operations for its primary CW feed from the KATU temporary facilities until Sinclair is able to complete construction on the authorized full power KATU facilities. Attached is an engineering analysis that shows KRCW will continue to serve its community of license while staying within the authorized contour at the temporary facilities.

Licensee submits that granting this STA request will serve the public interest as it will allow KRCW to further the Commission’s ATSC 3.0 policy goals while preserving the ability of KRCW to continue provide its programming in the ATSC 1.0 format so that on-air viewers may continue to receive the KRCW primary CW programming currently available to them.