

## **W32DZ-D - REASONS FOR REQUESTING EXTENSION OF ENGINEERING STA**

W32DZ-D COMMENCED OPERATIONS ON MAY 15, 2020 UNDER THE PARAMETERS OF ENG. STA FILE # 0000113811, SET TO EXPIRE ON 12/04/2021. THE STATION IS WORKING HARD TO CONSTRUCT ITS CP FACILITIES, WHICH HAS TAKEN TIME DUE TO THE DIFFICULT SITUATION PUERTO RICO HAS EXPERIENCED, INCLUDING AN UNPRECEDENTED SERIES OF NATURAL DISASTERS. IN ADDITION TO THE DIFFICULT FINANCIAL SITUATION OF ISLAND, IN BANKRUPTCY SINCE MAY 2017, PUERTO RICO HAS ALSO BEEN HIT BY THE CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC. THESE EVENTS HAVE DISRUPTED THE ECONOMY AND LIFE IN GENERAL IN PUERTO RICO AND THE OPERATION OF THE LPTV STATIONS OF TV RED DE PUERTO RICO, INCLUDING STATION W32DZ-D.

TV RED HAS ORDERED NEW TRANSMITTER EQUIPMENT AND ANTENNA GEAR FROM BROADCAST DEPOT, IN MIAMI, FL, THAT WAS SCHEDULED TO BE DELIVERED IN OCTOBER, BUT HAS NOW BEEN DELAYED MOSTLY DUE TO PROBLEMS EXPERIENCED BY THE EQUIPMENT MANUFACTURER IN ITALY, SEE ATTACHED EQUIPMENT VENDOR LETTER. W32DZ-D IS THUS REQUESTING A 90 DAY EXTENSION OF THE EXISTING ENG. STA, FILE # 0000113811, TO CONTINUE TO PROVIDE SERVICE AT REDUCED POWER AND ENABLE THE STATION TO FINISH CONSTRUCTION OF PERMANENT FACILITIES.