

Request to Extend Special Temporary Authority

DTV America Corporation (“Licensee”) respectfully requests a six month extension of its Special Temporary Authority (“STA”) to remain silent while it repairs its permanent broadcast facility for this Low Power Television (“LPTV”) station. The Licensee is working diligently to facilitate and resolve equipment issues related to the final installation of the shelter. Significant weather delays, permitting issues with local governance and construction crew logistic challenges have delayed the installation of the permanent shelter installation. The FCC has a history of granting such requests, particularly where, as here, the request is supported by good cause and granting it would further the public interest.¹

Granting this request would not implicate Section 312(g) of the Act, which generally limits silent station authorizations to 12 months.² The STA is for an initial period of six months and, if extended by an additional six months as requested, would not exceed this 12 month limit.

For these reasons, the Media Bureau should expeditiously grant Licensee’s request for an STA to remain silent while it repairs its permanent broadcast facility.

¹ See, e.g., Application 0000034182, KZSD-LP, Facility ID 57054 (granting an LPTV station an STA extension on October 26, 2017, to allow the station to address “the fact that the Station’s existing STA frequency will no longer be available in the reduced post-auction broadcast spectrum”); Application 0000030510, KDUG-LD, Facility ID 128855 (granting an LPTV station an STA extension on October 2, 2017, to accommodate its filing of a minor change application); Application 0000033847, KLFA-LD, Facility ID 13999 (granting an LPTV station an STA extension on October 17, 2017, to accommodate the station’s concern “over whether [it] will be able to have a broadcast channel to operate on following repacking”).

² See 47 U.S.C. § 312(g).