

K45IO-D, Kansas City, MO, Facility ID# 49182
Request For Extension of Silent STA and
Extension of License Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. 312(g)

K45IO-D on channel 44 was displaced on 07/13/2020 due to it being on one of the “guardband” channels for the incoming wireless services in the 600 MHz spectrum. It is currently silent under STA # 0000131318. Under its construction permit, CP 0000146018 K45IO-D will become K15MB-D.

Ventana Television has worked diligently to return K45IO-D to broadcast operations following displacement.

When the current STA was requested, Ventana Television was in the process of ordering the transmitter and antenna and a tower study was ordered. However, the tower study produced the following unanticipated challenges:

1. When completed, the tower structural study revealed that the tower is overloaded by 17% and the tower owner has given no indication of any plans to remediate the issue; and
2. A request has been made for a temporary allowance to move forward with construction but to date, no response has been received.

Despite these challenges, Ventana Television has made positive steps in returning the station to active broadcasting. For instance, the new antenna has been delivered and is on site ready for installation and the new transmitter is scheduled for delivery on July 9. All other requirements of the tower owner have been met and a tower crew selected.

Accordingly, an extension of the current silent STA is requested for a period of six months from the date of this application. In addition, for the reasons stated above, K45IO-D requests an extension of its license pursuant to 47 U.S.C. 312(g), beyond the one-year silent anniversary.

This application is in the public interest by enabling K45IO-D to return to normal broadcasting as soon as the facility can be rebuilt as K15MB-D on its repack channel 15.