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Applicant is seeking a waiver of 47 CRS § 73.3598(b)¹ tolling requirement for additional time to construction the displacement CP related to the 2018 TV Spectrum Repack and Reimbursement Program.

The transmitter and related equipment for this station are ordered. The current CP expiration date is 9/10/2021. The transmitter is in storage and awaiting shipment once a tower crew can be scheduled to complete construction. A six month extension of this CP would allow the additional time necessary to complete the transition of this station to its new digital channel.

Edge Spectrum, Inc. (Edge) holds a large number of construction permits and licenses across the United States. Many have been involved in the 2018 Displacement Window “Repack” process. Edge plans to utilize DTS and ATSC 3.0 in all of its outstanding construction permits. Edge has sought guidance from the Media Bureau on how to proceed with the build out of this plan without requiring the temporary build of an ATSC 1.0 station. The Commission has previously stated, it seeks to avoid forcing LPTV stations from making significant expenditures in new ATSC 1.0 facilities by July 13, 2021 only to later be faced with a further expenditure of resources if the station chooses to convert those facilities to ATSC 3.0.²

Edge is fully committed to this plan and respectfully requests extension of its construction permit.

Respectfully submitted,
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¹ See 47 CFR § 73.3598(b).

² See, Next Gen TV Report and Order, 32 FCC Red at 9951, para 44.