

Request for Extension of Engineering STA Request

Alma Vision Hispanic Network, Inc. (“AlmaVision”), licensee of LPTV station WEYS-LD (Channel 6), Miami, Florida (Fac. ID 6035) (the “Station”), hereby respectfully requests a six-month extension of special temporary authority (“STA”) granted in File No. 0000158027 for AlmaVision’s operation of an analog FM audio carrier as an ancillary or supplementary service within the Station’s assigned digital channel frequencies. The current STA, granted on September 16, 2021, is due to expire on March 16, 2022. This STA extension request is filed while the Commission’s rulemaking proceeding (MB Docket 03-185) regarding whether LPTV stations on digital television channel 6 may operate analog FM radio-type services on an ancillary or supplementary basis pursuant to section 73.624(c) of the rules remains pending.¹

AlmaVision submits that a six-month extension of STA will be in the paramount public interest. AlmaVision will continue to make efficient use of the ATSC 3.0 video portion of the Station’s signal and will provide at least one stream of synchronized video and audio programming on the ATSC 3.0 portion of the spectrum on a full time (24x7) basis. In that regard, the Station will continue to provide Spanish-language religious programming 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

During the term of the current STA, AlmaVision has not received any reports of interference from other broadcast stations. Should any unexpected interference occur, AlmaVision will promptly take remedial action, including termination of all or part of the Station’s signal, if necessary.

As required by the Video Division’s September 16, 2021 letter that granted the current STA to AlmaVision, a “90-Day Report” was submitted by AlmaVision, and a “180-Day Report” will be submitted shortly.

¹ See *Amendment of Parts 73 and 74 of the Commission’s Rules to Establish Rules for Digital Low Power Television and Television Translator Stations; Expanding the Economic and Innovation Opportunities of Spectrum Through Incentive Auctions; Amendment of Part 15 of the Commission’s Rules to Eliminate the Analog Tuner Requirement*, Third Report and Order and Fourth Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, 30 FCC Rcd. 14927 at ¶14, n. 12 (2015).