

Request for Special Temporary Authority
KAKW-DT, Killeen, TX
August 24, 2022

KAKW License Partnership, L.P., licensee of KAKW-DT, Facility ID 148, Killeen, Texas (the "Station") respectfully requests a Special Temporary Authority ("STA") to operate at reduced power.

The station's transmitter, operating on Ch. 13, has recently experienced a catastrophic incoming AC power surge, damaging key components. Station personnel have been able to restore operation to half-power of 19.5 kW ERP.

Since the transmitter is no longer supported by the manufacturer, station personnel are working to locate parts to determine if restoration of full power operation is feasible. Station is also obtaining information to replace the transmitter with a new model on an emergency basis if suitable parts cannot be obtained.

Given the parts availability for restoration as well as current supply-chain issues that may prolong delivery of a new transmitter, the station respectfully requests an STA to operate at reduced power, in exception to 47 CFR 73.1560 (c). Noting current supply chain issues, operation at reduced power is likely to exceed 6 months duration if a new transmitter is required.

Enabling KAKW to remain on air by granting of this STA application will ensure most of KAKW's viewing area continues to receive vital information and programming where they are accustomed to tuning in, thereby serving the public interest.