

WRJK-LP, Arlington Heights, IL, Facility ID# 68061
Request for Extension of STA

Chicago 22, LLC (“Chicago 22”), permittee of low power television station WRJK-LP, Arlington Heights, Illinois, Facility ID# 68061 (“WRJK”), hereby requests an extension to and including October 15, 2022 of its existing STA to operate on digital Channel 11 (LMS File No. 0000116579). As previously stated in its request that resulted in grant of the STA, WRJK is currently operating on digital Channel 11 at Willis Tower utilizing a VHF antenna that is side mounted on the west cylinder of Willis Tower between 1478 feet and 1510 feet AGL. Chicago 22 needs an extension of its STA to allow it to continue to provide valuable programming service to viewers in one of this country’s largest television markets.

On January 4, 2022, WRJK was granted a modified construction permit, authorizing it to change channels, from 11 to 36, and locations, from Willis Tower to Hancock Tower (“Permit”). Within a week of issuance of that Permit, WRJK was granted an additional 180 days to build it out. In July, Chicago 22 was granted an extension of its STA and Permit to August 29, 2022. Concurrently with this STA extension application, Chicago 22 is filing a Request for further Tolling/Extension of that Permit. As described therein, due to circumstances beyond Chicago 22’s control, Chicago 22 has been unable yet to complete construction of its facilities at the new location. Chicago 22’s tolling/extension request documents substantial progress and investments in the project Chicago has made during the most recent 49-day extension period, including accelerated completion of fabrication and delivery of the antenna, delivery of the transmitter, and scheduling installation of the antenna for September 12, 2022. Chicago 22 accordingly requests an extension until October 15, 2022 of its STA to allow it to continue to broadcast on Channel 11 from Willis Tower, during which time Chicago 22 anticipates it will be able to complete construction of its Channel 36 facilities at Hancock Tower.

Grant of the STA requested herein will authorize Chicago 22 to continue broadcasting until its facilities at Hancock Tower are constructed. Such grant would clearly serve the public interest by allowing Chicago 22 to continue to provide unique broadcast programming service in the public interest to viewers in Chicago and its environs. Accordingly, an extension until October 15, 2022 of the STA allowing Chicago 22 to continue to operate on digital Channel 11 is hereby respectfully requested.