

Expedited Processing Request

The applicant respectfully requests expedited processing for this application.

The facts with respect to the instant modification application demonstrate that there have been extenuating and unforeseeable circumstances. The broadcast tower on which W272DW and primary station WSCW were operating collapsed when a logging truck ran into a guy anchor in December 2021. The stations filed requests for silent STAs at that time explaining that WSCW and W272DW went off the air on December 8, 2021.

For the past several months, the applicant has been exploring all viable possibilities to find a location from which it could relocate the transmission facilities in order to resume service as quickly as possible. The applicant has retained consulting engineers and had discussions with tower owners. The applicant has concluded that the best option is to place the WSCW and W272DW facilities on another tower located approximately 200 feet from the destroyed tower. On September 13, 2022, the licensee filed a technical STA for WSCW requesting authority to operate from the nearby tower with reduced power. That STA was granted on September 15, 2022. In order for FM Translator W272DW to operate from the same site, the applicant needs to modify the translator's facilities. To ensure that W272DW can resume operations before the end of the 12-month silent period on December 8, 2022, the licensee respectfully requests that the instant application be processed expeditiously .

The applicant notes that on the application form the facility type is listed as noncommercial. The station is operating as commercial, but the form will not allow a correction.