

Periods of Silence

Since NYTV LLC (“NYTV”) became the licensee of low-power television station WZPJ-LD, Albany, New York (Facility ID No. 46730) (“WZPJ-LD”), on August 5, 2020, WZPJ-LD has been silent for two periods exceeding 30 consecutive days: (1) August 5, 2020 to October 23, 2020; and (2) November 3, 2020 to January 19, 2021.

While under the control of its previous licensee, D.T.V. LLC (“D.T.V.”), WZPJ-LD was silent for several periods due to its displacement from its original channel – which required that D.T.V. await a new filing window before it could select a new digital channel for the station.¹ On May 20, 2020, D.T.V. filed an application to assign WZPJ-LD’s license to NYTV, which was granted on July 31, 2020.² On July 15, 2020, D.T.V. filed a Displacement Application for WZPJ-LD to relocate the station to DTV Channel 23, which was granted on July 31, 2020.³ WZPJ-LD’s assignment to NYTV was then consummated on August 5, 2020.⁴

Following its acquisition of WZPJ-LD, NYTV then filed a minor modification application for WZPJ-LD on September 25, 2020 to relocate the station to another site.⁵ WZPJ-LD’s minor modification application was granted on September 28, 2020.⁶ NYTV completed construction of WZPJ-LD’s new facilities, and resumed operations with the station on October 23, 2020.⁷

On October 27, 2020, NYTV filed another minor modification application to relocate the station to a new site, which was granted on October 30, 2020.⁸ On November 3, 2020, however, WZPJ-LD again went silent while NYTV transitioned the station to its new facilities.⁹

NYTV subsequently completed construction of WZPJ-LD’s new facilities, and resumed operations on January 19, 2021.¹⁰ WZPJ-LD has remained operational with its licensed facilities since that date.

¹ See Silent STA Requests, LMS File Nos. 0000014095, 0000033793, 0000059963, 0000083143, and 0000113243.

² See CDBS File No. BAL-20200520AAK.

³ *Id.*

⁴ Consummation Notice, CDBS File No. BAL-20200520AAK (filed Aug. 5, 2020).

⁵ Minor Modification Application, LMS File No. 0000122501.

⁶ *Id.*

⁷ See License Application, LMS File No. 0000125010 (granted Oct. 27, 2020).

⁸ Minor Modification Application, LMS File No. 0000125080.

⁹ See Reduced Power Notification, LMS File No. 0000125578 (exhibit noting that WZPJ-LD was silent).

¹⁰ See License Application, LMS File No. 0000131751 (granted Jan. 21, 2021).