

Fort Myers DTV, LLC
WZDT-LD
June 2023

Amendment to Request For
Waiver of Tolling

Fort Myers DTV, LLC (“Licensee”), licensee of WZDT-LP, Naples, Florida (Facility ID 25539) (“the Station”), hereby submits this request for a short waiver of the Commission’s tolling rules to allow for extension of the Station’s construction permit in FCC File No. 0000054428.

Construction of the station is complete except for the two days required for a contract rigger to hoist the antenna and transmission line into position on the tower. The antenna has been assembled on the ground, and the transmission line is on-site awaiting the rigging crew.

A line dehydrator is installed to keep the transmission line under pressure. A newly-purchased waveguide bridge, required by the tower’s landlord and insurance carrier, has been installed. Shipping containers have been broken down and removed from the site.

The station will commence regular broadcasting immediately after the rigger's installation, and it will file its license to cover application. It is expected that this will take place in the next days. While the riggers were hired in advance and expected to have completed their work by this time, the crew is delayed on another project they must complete before coming to Florida. The licensee and two vendors contacted alternate crews and offered a bonus payment to complete the station’s construction to no avail. Insurance requirements for a new crew would also introduce a new delay. In the interim, the licensee remains in daily contact with the rigging firm, and is receiving timely updates.

Accordingly, the licensee respectfully requests that the Commission exercise its discretion and grant it a brief extension of time to complete construction. Small projects are not afforded priority by tower crews. They must fall in behind ongoing projects which cannot be abandoned mid-way.

In an abundance of caution, to allow time for the arrival of the rigging crew, launch of service, and preparation of the license to cover application, the Licensee requests that it be granted until August 1, 2023 to complete and file the station’s license to cover application.