

Reason for STA Request

KXXV License Subsidiary, LLC (“KXXV”), licensee of KSCM-LP, Bryan, Texas, hereby requests Special Temporary Authority (“STA”) to continue operating this station at approximately 30% power.

The parent of KXXV, Raycom Media, Inc., acquired KSCM-LP (among other facilities) from Drewry Communications Group (“Drewry”), and the transaction closed on December 1, 2015. The current STA, granted on June 14, 2016, is set to expire December 20, 2016 and the circumstances surrounding the need for the original STA, initially filed in the CDBS database in 2013, have not changed.

With regard to the facility itself, on February 18, 2013, a failure of six out of the twelve power modules in the transmitter was discovered by previous licensee, Adelante Television Limited Partnership. Before that, two of the modules had been repaired. After the most recent failure, however, two of the modules were sent in to the manufacturers for evaluation. The station received a fairly substantial estimate for the repair of the two modules. At that time, Adelante began to negotiate the proposed repair costs for all of the damaged modules. However, the company was unwilling to spend substantial amounts of money to repair the station’s facilities, in light of the upcoming spectrum auction, when the station itself could be forced to cease operations. Thus, with auction still in process and, again, with the recent change in ownership, KXXV requests the grant of a similar STA while it awaits the results of the incentive auction and spectrum repacking. If the station is not forced off the air as a result of the auction, the licensee will promptly repair the facilities of the station and resume full-power operations.

In light of the above, KVVX respectfully requests the Commission to grant its request for Special Temporary Authority to continue to operate at approximately 30% power which will allow the station to continue to serve the public of the Bryan, Texas area.