

Explanation of Extraordinary Circumstances

Television translator station W29DP-D temporarily ceased operations on May 19, 2017. Due to uncertainty surrounding its funding, the West Virginia Educational Broadcasting Authority (“WVEBA”) requests special temporary authority for television translator station W29DP-D to remain silent for a period of 180 days.

WVEBA intends to remain silent until the future of WVEBA’s funding from the State of West Virginia is determined. Grant of this STA request is in the public interest because it will allow WVEBA to prioritize use of its funds without reducing the amount or quality of its programming and while continuing to serve the vast majority of its audience over its three full power television stations, through retransmission on cable and satellite providers, and over the internet.