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Engineering Statement Displacement of KBTC-TV Digital Replacement Translator Channel 28 at Seattle, WA April 2018

This Engineering Statement has been prepared on behalf of Bates Technical College ("Bates"), licensee of a digital replacement translator station (see BLEDT-20130726ADF) at Seattle, Washington for KBTC-TV. This material has been prepared in connection with a displacement application.

I. Background

The digital replacement translator currently operates on Channel 16, and is being displaced by full-power station KFFV which has been assigned Channel 16 at Seattle as a part of the Repack effort. Accordingly, Bates is filing this displacement application during the Commission's Special Displacement Window, which is scheduled for April 10 to May 15, 2018.

II. Interference Study

Study has been made of all cochannel and adjacent-channel facilities in the vicinity of the proposed operation, including a detailed Longley-Rice interference study to demonstrate that the proposed operation will not cause interference to any authorized or pending proposed facilities. This study was performed using the Commission's TVStudy software.

The results of this study indicate that the proposed facility is predicted to cause zero additional interference to any of the listed stations, with the exception of interference predicted to the KBTC-TV licensed (BLEDT-20130805ACW) and application (0000035735) facilities. Bates, being the

licensee of both KBTC-TV and the KBTC-TV digital replacement translator, expressly consents to these interference levels between its stations.

Based on the foregoing interference study, it is believed that the proposed facility can operate without risk of objectionable interference to other stations.

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Study created: 2018.04.17 12:27:20
     Study build station data: LMS TV 2018-04-16 (114)
                  Proposal: KBTC-TV D28 LD APP TACOMA, WA
       File number: KBTCDRT28
       Facility ID: 62469
     Station data: User record
              Record ID: 465
                     Country: U.S.
     Build options:
     Protect pre-transition records not on baseline channel
     Search options:
     Non-U.S. records included
IX Call Chan Svc Status City, State File Number No K39DM D27+ LD APP ELLENSBURG, WA BLANK0000028952 Yes KBTC-TV D27 DT APP TACOMA, WA BLANK0000038735 Yes KBTC-TV D27 DT LIC TACOMA, WA BLEDT20130805ACW NO K28FP-D D28 LD LIC ASTORIA, OR BLDT120130710ACH NO K28GD-D D28 LD LIC HEPPNER, ETC., OR BLDT120111117ARH NO K28CQ-D D28 LD LIC HOOD RIVER, OR BLDT1201121117ARH NO K28TP-D D28 LD LIC MILTON-FREEWATER, OR BLDT120112106BCR NO K28HJ-D D28 LD LIC MILTON-FREEWATER, OR BLDT1201111206BCR NO K28MJ-D D28 LD LIC RAINIER, OR BLDT1201111209DLD NO K28MJ-D D28 LD LIC CHELAN, WA BLDT1201111209DLD NO K28KJ-D D28 LD LIC CHELAN, WA BLDT1201111209DLD NO K28KJ-D D28 LD LIC CHELAN, WA BLDT12011012ABP NO K28KJ-D D28 LD APP ELLENSBURG, WA BMPDT12010012ABD NO NEW D28 LD APP ELLENSBURG, WA BNPDT1201090825AEW NO KAYU-TV D28 LD LIC SEATTLE, WA BLCDT20100429ACW NO KAYU-TV D28 LD LIC SPOKANE, WA BLDT120191029ACN NO K28KW-D D28 LD LIC SUNNYSIDE, WA BLDT120109129ACN NO K28KW-D D28 LD LIC CENTRALIA, ETC., WA BLDT12010918ABC NO NEW D29 LD APP ELLENSBURG, WA BNPDT120090618ABC NO K29IB-D D29 LD LIC GRAYS RIVER, ETC., WA BLDT12011012ACJ NO K29IB-D D29 LD LIC GRAYS RIVER, ETC., WA BLDT120110812ACJ NO CKYU-DT-2 D27 DT LIC VICTORIA, BC BLANKCANADA46 NO CH2126 D28 DT LIC BOWEN ISLAND, BC BLANKCANADA46 NO CH2126 D28 DT LIC VICTORIA, BC BLANKCANADA46 NO CHNM-DT-1 D29 DT LIC VICTORIA, BC BLANKCANADA404 NO CHNM-DT-1 D29 DT LIC VICTORIA, BC BLANKCANADA104 NO CHNM-DT-1 D29 DT LIC VICTORIA, BC BLANKC
     Stations potentially affected by proposal:
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     No non-directional AM stations found within 0.8 km
     No directional AM stations found within 3.2 km
     Record parameters as studied:
                  Channel: D28
                          Mask: Stringent
           Latitude: 47 36 56.30 N (NAD83)
Longitude: 122 18 30.40 W
     Height AMSL: 225.0 m
                           HAAT: 0.0 m
               Peak ERP: 1.30 kW
                 Antenna: ERI-AL8-16-OC (ID 114438) 180.0 deg
    Elev Pattrn: Generic
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Elec Tilt: 1.75
50.1 dBu contour:
                     HAAT Distance
Azimuth
           ERP
  0.0 deg 0.653 kW 138.6 m 30.9 km
 45.0
          0.556 194.4
                               33.4
 90.0
                    173.3
          0.626
                               32.9
                               35.9
135.0
           1.05
                     179.9
          1.30
180.0
                    161.1
                               35.9
225.0
                     206.5
                               37.4
          0.626
                               35.5
                     221.9
                     210.9
315.0
          0.556
                               34.3
Database HAAT does not agree with computed HAAT
Database HAAT: 0 m Computed HAAT: 186 m
**Proposal 25.14 dBu contour crosses Canadian border, coordination required
Distance to Canadian border: 102.1 km
Distance to Mexican border: 1719.3 km
Conditions at FCC monitoring station: Ferndale WA
Bearing: 353.1 degrees
                       Distance: 150.1 km
Proposal is not within the West Virginia quiet zone area
Conditions at Table Mountain receiving zone:
Bearing: 115.1 degrees
                       Distance: 1593.2 km
Study cell size: 1.00 km
Profile point spacing: 1.00 km
Maximum new IX to full-service and Class A: 0.50%
Maximum new IX to LPTV: 2.00%
**MX with BLANK0000035735 APP scenario 1, 2.38% interference caused
**IX check failure to BLEDT20130805ACW LIC scenario 1, 8.97% interference caused
---- Below is IX received by proposal KBTCDRT28 ----
**MX with BLANK0000035735 APP scenario 1, 2.71% interference received
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The interference indicated in the last line of the study is received by the proposed DRT facility, and is received from Bates' own application for minor modification of KBTC-TV. Bates consents to this interference level.

III. RF Exposure Study

The power density calculations shown below were made using the techniques outlined in OET Bulletin No. 65. "Ground level" calculations in this report have been made at a reference height of 2 meters above ground to provide a worst-case estimate of exposure for persons standing on the ground in the vicinity of the tower. The equation shown below was used to calculate the ground level power density figures from each antenna.

$$S(\mu W / cm^2) = \frac{33.40981 \times AdjERP(Watts)}{D^2}$$

Where: *AdjERP(Watts)* is the maximum lobe effective radiated power times the element pattern factor times the array pattern factor.

D is the distance in meters from the center of radiation to the calculation point.

Power density levels produced by the proposed facility were calculated for an elevation of 2 meters above ground (98 meters below the antenna radiation center). The worst case power density levels occur at depression angles between 45 and 90 degrees below the horizontal. The calculations in this report assume a worst-case relative field value of 0.103 at these angles, based on the manufacturer's vertical plane pattern for the horizontally-polarized ERI AL8OC-28-H antenna proposed in this application. This relative field value yields a worst-case adjusted average effective radiated power of 13.8 watts at depression angles between 45 and 90 degrees below the horizontal. Assuming this power and the shortest distance between the antenna radiation center and 2 meters above ground level (i.e. straight down), the highest calculated power density from the proposed antenna alone occurs at the base of the antenna support structure. At this point the power density from the proposed facility is calculated to be $0.05 \,\mu\text{W/cm}^2$, which is 0.01% of 369.3 $\mu\text{W/cm}^2$ (the FCC maximum for uncontrolled environments at the Channel 28 frequency).

Pursuant to OET Bulletin No. 65, all station personnel and contractors are required to follow appropriate safety procedures before any work is commenced on the antenna tower, including reduction in power or discontinuance of operation before any maintenance work is undertaken. The permittee/licensee in coordination with other users of the site must reduce power or cease operation as necessary to protect persons having access to the site, tower or antenna from radiofrequency exposure in excess of FCC guidelines.

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