

Q1 2018 Amendment to Digital Core Programming

Station: KFWD-TV, Facility #29015, Fort Worth, TX

Episode Repeats > 50%

The licensee normally delays episodes of E/I programming on sub-channel 52.5 by 12 days from when the same episodes are broadcast on other sub-channels. However, due to an error in program scheduling, all 78 episodes of E/I programming on sub-channel 52.5 that aired in the 8 am to 11 am time block each Tuesday during Q1 2018 were broadcast only 5 days after those same episodes had been aired on Thursday of the previous week on sub-channel 52.4. As a result, out of a total of 234 half-hour episodes of E/I spread among the station's three sub-channels during the quarter, 78 episodes were unintentionally repeated within 7 days, while an additional 78 episodes were intentionally repeated, resulting in a total of 156 episode repeats, which is 66.7% of the total E/I programming aired during the quarter. This scheduling error was discovered in the first week of May 2018. Corrective action has been taken to reduce the number of repeat episodes to zero for the remainder of Q2 2018, which will result in the average number of repeats over the two-quarter period of Q1 and Q2 2018 being below the 50% threshold. Note that the scheduling error described above began during the fourth quarter of 2017, however a review of data from that quarter determined that the number of repeat episodes remained below 50% despite the unintended repetition of some episodes, so no amendment of the 4Q 2017 report is required.